

PRIORITY OBJECTIVES:

1. Integrated services for assisting victims of human trafficking and domestic violence
2. Human trafficking prevention campaigns
3. Networking and cooperation with institutions and organisations with a similar activity
4. Strengthening the organisational capacity and developing competencies of the Solwodi professionals



1. INTEGRATED SERVICES FOR ASSISTING VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

1.1. Advocacy and case management, through collaboration with different agencies and public institutions, in the interest of the victims

1.2. Direct assistance services for victims:

- psycho-social counselling
- group counselling
- occupational therapy

1.3. Programmes for assisting the victims' children:

- socio-psychological counselling for children and youth
- art therapy
- parenting sessions
- summer camps with workshops and recreational activities

RESULTS:

86 beneficiaries assisted in the recovery and counselling centres representing:

- **49 victims of domestic violence**
- **10 victims of human trafficking**
- **27 children**

2. CAMPAIGNS FOR PREVENTING HUMAN TRAFFICKING

- Two information campaigns named "Respect love", implemented in high schools from Neamț and Dâmbovița counties

The purpose of the campaigns: increasing awareness regarding healthy relationships, in order to prevent abusive situations and emotional manipulation.

- Prayer day against human trafficking (February 8th) – distributing information materials (flyers, prayers, brochures) in 25 churches from Bucharest and other Romanian cities

The purpose of the action: organising dedicated seminars, in every church, on the topic of human trafficking. Gathering in prayer of all believers, at the national level, during the church service.

3. NETWORKING AND COOPERATION WITH INSTITUTIONS AND ORGANISATIONS WITH A SIMILAR ACTIVITY

Cooperation with the purpose of exchanging experience, developing information campaigns and materials on the topic of domestic violence and human trafficking, advocacy and collaboration activities, with public institutions.

- Collaboration protocol with 16 organisations with a similar profile (maternal centres, shelters, counselling centres) (December);
- The international meeting from Hague, of professionals who work with victims, in shelters (November);
- The Forum against Human Trafficking, occasioned by the European Day against Human Trafficking (October);
- The visit of the German delegation, represented by the international network "Together against Human Trafficking" (Gemeinsam gegen Menschenhandel) (August);
- The meeting of young Catholics, in Romania – awareness actions regarding vulnerabilities to exploitation and trafficking (July);
- International conference – „Promoting the rights of the victims of human trafficking from Bulgaria, Romania and Slovakia”.

4. STRENGTHENING THE ORGANISATIONAL CAPACITY AND DEVELOPING COMPETENCIES OF THE SOLWODI PROFESSIONALS

- Developing a new website of the association with the purpose of increasing visibility, raising awareness on a larger scale and increasing access of vulnerable persons to the services offered by Solwodi
- Training programmes attended by the Solwodi team, on different topics, directly connected to the activity of the organisation:
 - Community development (October, RENATE, Ireland);
 - Human trafficking for sexual exploitation (July, RENATE, Spain);
 - Increasing the capacity of evaluating risk and safety management in protecting women and children, victims of violence (October, Bucharest);
 - Transfer of best practices regarding the counselling services and management of residential centres for victims (October, ANAIS, Bucharest);
 - Workshop „Know your rights and claim them!” (September, APADOR-CH, Bucharest).

CHALLENGES

- The need to find constant sources of financing;
- Developing a network for constant and trustful collaboration with internal and international partners;
- The need to open a socio-educational centre for women in difficulty;
- Developing a closer partnership with other Solwodi organisations from Europe;
- Changing attitudes, in Romania, regarding the role of women in the family community, church and society.