



Children's Organisation Bucharest

In cooperation with:

Salvați Copiii (Save the children) in Bucharest and

Fundația Căminul Phillip (day care school) in Bucharest

Our foundation has been active since 1999. Watching a documentary on TV we saw the poverty and misery of many street children in Bucharest. We started our organisation so we could help those children and if possible give them a better future.

There are the street and sewer children. They live out on the streets 24 hours a day and when it is cold they stay in the sewers. Then there are the children that have some kind of roof over their heads but because of poverty they get out on the streets to beg, do some work if they can find it or they steal.

Together with Salvați Copiii (Save the children) we tried to help the 24 hour-a-day children by giving them food, clothes and a place to stay. We found it very hard to help those children as they are often seriously mentally damaged.

Most attention now goes to helping day street children. We work with Fundația Căminul Phillip, a foundation with a Day Care School for poor children that can neither read nor write. They are taught reading, writing and arithmetic and they get a hot meal every day. As soon as possible they get educated at an ordinary school at the same time so they can get a diploma. That way they can get vocational school training or continue at the lyceum.

At the moment more than 100 children are taken care of. We support Căm. Phillip by providing medicines and offering special help to children in very difficult situations. Furthermore we try to provide children who have no place to go with a place to stay in a so called social apartment. They live there under supervision and go to school, for example to Căm. Phillip and if possible they go to the lyceum.

We also help 2 alumni 24 hour-a-day children. Marius (Oache) and Moise. They both have families and they take care of themselves. They do need help in the Winter though as they do not have jobs then.

We have regular contact with Căm. Phillip about the relief work and when possible we go to Bucharest to keep in touch with the children and the social workers. Of course we do this at our own expense.

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