

EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Project: START , MOT&SOR, AMP

Bucharest

In May we went on with the recruiting process for Carrefour. After the hard work from April and May, the Bucharest team achieved the impressive performance (and we are not modest at all!) of finding 50 finalists with speech and hearing disabilities. It is a great achievement if we take into consideration the fact that in order to be considered a finalist they all had to pass the recruitment meeting and at least one counseling session, as well as a test with our team. There were many people who couldn't pass these tests. Now, the 50 beneficiaries are waiting for the interviews with the employer.

In May, the Bucharest team also found jobs for other 4 beneficiaries. They signed the work contracts and are already able to tell us with great enthusiasm how they are doing at their workplace.

Unfortunately, we found out that two of the beneficiaries we considered as hired starting with March didn't sign the labor contract (undeclared work is one of the habits of Romanian employers we don't know how to address).

Neamt

Neamt team counseled 31 beneficiaries this months and 1 beneficiary got a job.

Bacau, 21st of May- Special Olympics Romania together with our team from Neamt organized a recruiting, health assessment and sports event within MOT&SOR project. The following activities took place at the event:

- Sports competition – Basketball- individual abilities
- Medical assessment – labor medicine, health promotion, Fun Fitness
- Recruit beneficiaries in order to find jobs for them

You can see bellow the categories of beneficiaries who attended the event. We'd like to thank Anca and Elena for their help!

- Young people with developmental disabilities: 93
- Volunteers: 68
- Teachers: 23
- Press representatives: 4



Bihor

Our colleagues from North-West Region hired 1 person (since the temperature started to increase they broke the ice! Congratulations!) and they counseled 16 people. Also, Oradea team began organizing trainings for people without disabilities: in May, 4 information and awareness sessions were attended by employees from Real Supermarket from Satu-Mare and Oradea.

Mehedinti

At Drobeta Turnu Severin, new members joined Bianca and they all inaugurated the new Motivation office that is shared by our team from Retea (Networking) Project. We'd like to welcome Ana Maria Lolea (regional coordinator) and Irina Mangalau (counselor) and we are anxious to find out about their achievements!

Our colleagues from South- West regional team worked very hard to organize through month, until the school year ends, counseling sessions for beneficiaries recruited from Arts and Crafts Schools in Craiova and Drobeta. Thus, our colleagues managed to counsel and encourage 29 young graduates and we hope they'll help them find jobs soon.



WHEELCHAIRS DISTRIBUTIONS AND TRAINING OF USERS, PERSONAL ASSISTANTS AND SPECIALISTS

Project: „RETEA PENTRU INCLUZIUNE” (NETWORKING)

Mehedinti Team

The 4 members of the team were hired: Ana-Maria Lolea - coordinator, Nicoleta Pirvulescu and Florin Selau - trainers, Iuliana Chirita - physiotherapist. We wish them good luck with their activity!!!

Although they have just started, we can already list some of their results:

- May 6-7, attending the all-Motivation teams meeting at Buda;
- Training regarding work tools and procedures;
- The first steps made in order to receive the functioning authorization;
- Several meetings with local authorities to promote the project and to establish partnerships; one partnership was already signed;
- 3 visits, 3 assessments and 2 PIP (intervention plans).

Prahova Team

26th of May 2010, **Information and awareness seminar** at the Rehabilitation Center for people with Disabilities in Moreni, Dambovita. 4 people with disabilities, 4 family members and 2 physiotherapists attended the seminar.

Wheelchairs and urinary supplies:

- 4 visits, 15 assessments and mobility equipment prescription
- 15 PIP
- Files sent to HIA: 9 for wheelchairs and 8 for urinary supplies
- 8 wheelchairs were invoiced and 6 decisions for urinary supplies were obtained
- Deliveries: 10 wheelchairs and 1 walking device

Sibiu Team

May 26- June 8, Sibiu Centre – **Independent Living Training seminar** for 5 people with mobility disabilities and 5 family members.



19-21 May, 2010, **3-day Independent living seminar** in Alba Iulia, attended by 8 wheelchair users from Alba County, 4 personal assistants, 17 representatives of public authorities and NGOs.



26.05.2010 **Seminar in the community** at The Center for Integration through Occupational Therapy in Dumbraveni, Sibiu County. 19 people with disabilities and 4 specialists attended the seminar.



Wheelchairs and urinary supplies:

- 25 home visits/ visits at centers
- 57 assessments and mobility equipment prescription – BRAVOOOO!!!!
- 54 PIP
- Files sent to HIA: 6 for wheelchairs
- 3 decisions for wheelchairs were obtained

Project: MOBILE TEAMS

Services provided in May by our 5 regional teams helped more than 150 people with disabilities, as follows:

- assessments and mobility equipment prescription **119 people**;
- Files sent to HIA: **40 for wheelchairs** and **13 for urinary supplies**;
- **18 decisions were obtained** (11 for wheelchairs and 7 for urinary supplies);
- **4 partnerships were signed** and contacts were established with 14 other potential partners;

We`d like to congratulate Pitesti team for their results!

In May, 4 of our 5 regional teams organized the second round of seminars for people with disabilities and family members.

May 26 – 27, 2010, Timisoara Team – Arad, Coandi Hotel

- The event, attended by 23 participants, was organized in partnership with DGASPC Arad, Ghiocelul Centre



Seminar organized by Timisoara Team in Arad, May 26 – 27, 2010

26 – 27 May, 2010, Tg. Mures Team– Odorheiu Secuiesc, Kukullo Hotel

- The event, attended by 23 participants, was organized in partnership with Orban Foundation



Seminar organized by Tg. Mures Team in Odorheiu Secuiesc, May 26 – 27, 2010

May 27 – 28, 2010, Pitesti Team: Curtea de Arges, Posada Hotel

- The event was attended by 20 participants and was organized in partnership with Hand-Rom



Seminar organized by Pitesti Team in Curtea de Arges, May 27 – 28, 2010

May 27 – 28, Galati Team, Tulcea, Egreta Hotel

- The event was attended by 17 persons and was organized in partnership DGASPC Tulcea



Seminar organized by Galati Team in Tulcea, May 27 – 28, 2010

Project: USAID

Activities:

- 6th of May, Buda - Annual seminar to assess and plan activities of the regional teams within Peer Group and Wheelchair Programs.
- 7th of May, the new members of the regional teams attended a training regarding correct positioning, wheelchair assessment and prescription, and wheelchair maneuvering and transfer techniques.
- At Panduri Centre, two 2-week training and active rehabilitation sessions were organized for children and adults with mobility disabilities, during May 11 – 25 and May 26 – June 8. The sessions were attended by 8 people.



Bihor Team– wheelchairs

- 17 assessments and mobility equipment prescriptions;
- 2 files sent to HIA and 2 decisions for wheelchairs were obtained;
- Deliveries: 2 wheelchairs;

Neamt team – wheelchairs and urinary supplies

- 45 assessments and mobility equipment prescriptions;
- 15 files submitted to HIA and 2 decisions for wheelchairs were obtained;
- 2 files for urinary supplies were sent to HIA and 6 decisions were obtained;
- Deliveries: 5 wheelchairs;

South Team – wheelchairs and urinary supplies

- 50 assessments and mobility equipment prescriptions;
- 27 files for mobility equipments were submitted to HIA and 14 wheelchairs were invoiced;
- 28 files for urinary supplies were submitted to HIA and 40 decisions were obtained;
- 49 wheelchair deliveries, 6 deliveries of other mobility equipments;
- 18 wheelchairs repaired and adapted;
- 4 cars adapted.

Other activities:

- Participation at the Motivation – Vodafone swimming event, Bucharest, 7th of May 2010.
- May 9, Participation in the 24-hour-swimming marathon at Brasov
- May 31, South Team together with other colleagues and former beneficiaries of our foundation took part in a wheelchair basketball game in the opening of the Street Ball Bucharest Event.

PROJECT: IMPACT

- May 5-16, Mosaic Team visited us; Cornetu house was painted and the two homes in Clinceni were repaired;



- May 7-9, our foundation attended ONG Fest – The National Festival of Nongovernmental organizations in Romania



- At one of the tents especially placed for NGOs in Unirii Park, we informed visitors about the services we provide to people with disabilities. We also presented the abilities of people with disabilities and explained the ways in which they can support our programs. Visitors could admire the decorative objects made in the occupational workshop by Nicoleta, Marian, Florin and other young people with disabilities from our group homes.

- 28th of May - we attended the Open Doors event at the National University of Physical Education and Sport. Here we held an information and awareness seminar, attended by 3 pupils, 3 students and 1 MA student, who will become specialists in the work with people with disabilities. Visitors could donate for the decorative objects made by our youth in the occupational workshop.



- Children made clay products and fimo jewelry for the exhibition for the 1st of June at BRD and for the event “Zbor liber spre viitor” (Free flight towards the future) organized by HAND-ROM;

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Motivation-Vodafone Swimming competition

7th of May - together with Vodafone Foundation we organized the first Motivation-Vodafone swimming competition. This event was one of the activities organized for our 15th anniversary of services provided to people with disabilities in Romania.

Vodafone employees swam in mixed teams together with our colleagues, wheelchairs users. 36 people participated in the competition. At the end, they received prizes from Mr. Cristian Topescu, well known sports commentator and Ms. Elena Serban from Vodafone Foundation.



24 - hour Swimming marathon

8-9 May, Motivation team, made up of colleagues from Motivation and Special Olympics attended the 24 – hour swimming competition in Brasov. It was the first time when 5 youth with sight impairments from Cluj joined our team. Also, a young man whom we met during our trainings also joined our team.



Inaugurating Motivation's new home

6th of May- together with our friends from Shaw Trust, Mosaic sand Special Olympics, we inaugurated our new building and we celebrated 15 years of Motivation programs.



Attending the debate regarding social enterprises

Saturday, 8th of May, starting with 2.30 pm, our colleague Mirela represented us at the debate on “Social entrepreneurship” organized by BCR and FDSC within ONG Fest 2010. We were invited to participate in this debate in order to present Motivation`s experience regarding social enterprise development.



2% campaign results

The 15th of May was the deadline for submitting to the Fiscal Authorities Forms 230 or 200 in order to redirect 2% of the income tax towards an organization/ association. At this time we can give you a balance of the forms submitted for Motivation. In Bucharest and with the aid of our colleagues from the regional teams, we sent 330 files to the Fiscal Administration. We`d like to thank those who redirected 2% to Motivation and who actively got involved in this campaign!

Sponsorships for the Impact Program

By May 7 the following companies joined the Impact program:

- **Privileg Catering** – they offer us food products every week
- **Lumea Copiilor** – every month they offer 500 RON to buy fruits for our children
- **Campofrio** – in June they will offer meat products for a total value of 500 RON
- **Telelink** – offered a washing machine for our group home in Clinceni and promised they would come back on the 1st of June with presents for children
- **Ferma Nova** – they offer eggs 3 times/week for our children
- **Lactaprod** – they will offer dairy products every week of a total sum of 583 RON/week
- **Dtoys** – will offer toys for our children

Employees from **Achieve Global**, who offered presents to our children on Easter, kept their promise and visited us again this month. They spent a few hours with our youth painting clay objects and cooking pancakes.



ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) donated for Impact 1,600 RON, raised from participation fees to one of their events.

ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR JUNE

Project: START, MOT&SOR, AMP

- June 9: Job fair at Bacau, within Mot-Sor project
- June 22 – 24: the whole team will attend a training with Reta Black, our colleague from Shaw Trust.

Project RETEA (NETWORK)

- Home visits
- Assessments and prescription of mobility equipments
- Submitting the file for accreditation of our services in Sibiu
- 3-day- seminar in Ploiesti
- Seminar in the community in Sibiu and Drobeta Turnu-Severin
- 2-week active rehabilitation training in Ploiesti and Sibiu
- Training session coordinated by Sarah Frost from Motivation UK for physiotherapists from our regional teams.

Project: MOBILE TEAMS

- June 1–2: our regional team in Pitesti will attend the cultural event organized by Hand-Rom Foundation;
- June 14 – 19: camp at Varatec organized by Iasi regional Team together with Neamt Team, with the attendance of Tg. Mures Team;
- Galati Team plans to go to 3 centers in Odobesti and Cotesti (Vrancea County) and 2 centers from Babadag and Dumbrava (Tulcea County) to identify new beneficiaries.

Project: USAID

- On the 2nd of June Bihor Team will organize at the Day Centre of the Multiple Sclerosis Foundation in Bihor an independent living seminar for people with disabilities and specialists.
- All the teams will continue with home visits, visits in centers and hospitals to provide assessment, prescription, adaptations services and delivery of personalized mobility equipments.

Project IMPACT:

- Painting the first group home in Clinceni, 25-30.05.2010;
- Organizing the first camp in Varatec for the children from Clinceni group home, 25-30.06.2010;
- Attending the Special Olympics National Games in Satu Mare, 18-21.06.2010;
- Ending the school year;