

Project title: Active NGO

Project leader: Youth Peace Group Danube

Partner 1: Centre for Entrepreneurship Osijek

Partner 2: Rowing club Iktus

Partner 3: Water polo club

Partner 4: Exploring CULTURAL Campfire Opportunities

Project implementation period: October 1, 2022 – December 31, 2023

Project total value: 86.397,20 €

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Link to relevant internet pages: <https://www.ypgd.org/index.php/hr/>

Project summary:

The project aims to contribute to building a democratic, socially aware, and humane society by supporting children and youth at risk of social exclusion in achieving social affirmation and equal opportunities.

The project will promote volunteering as a tool for strengthening social cohesion and equality, encouraging active participation of children, youth, and other stakeholders in creating conditions for an equitable society, thus ensuring their fundamental democratic rights. It focuses on increasing the availability of social activities for children and youth in Osijek-Baranja and Vukovar-Srijem counties.

The lack of cooperation among stakeholders in addressing community social problems reduces the participation of children and youth in social activities, leading to feelings of discrimination and stigmatization. Additionally, the negative impact of technology and the pandemic has significantly worsened their psycho-physical development, increased instances of unacceptable behavior, and amplified social exclusion. The lack of skills essential for volunteering and community activism contributes to passivity in efforts to build a healthy community.

The project will engage 100 children and youth, providing opportunities to enhance activism, social inclusion, tolerance, and skills in entrepreneurship and volunteering. It will strengthen their self-confidence, goal-setting abilities, and self-control, essential for their successful and long-term development.