

**Project title:** The strongest link – volunteer for yourself, volunteer for others

**Project leader:** Association „MI“

**Partner 1:** „ZvoniMir“

**Partner 2:** Wallner Private High School

**Partner 3:** „Kralj zvonimir“ Knin technical school

**Project implementation period:** September 1, 2022 – November 30, 2023

**Project total value:** 86.860,74 €

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**Link to relevant internet pages:** <https://www.udrugami.hr/>

**Project summary:**

Through the project "The Strongest Link – Volunteer for Yourself, Volunteer for Others," the Association "MI" – Split and "ZvoniMir" aim to strengthen the capacities of 10 teachers from partner schools (Wallner Private High School and King Zvonimir Vocational High School in Knin) to design and implement school volunteering programs. Teachers will undergo training in Volunteer Program Management and acquire skills for creating sustainable volunteering programs in their schools.

The project also empowers 30 students through the innovative "Small School of Activism and Volunteering," fostering their civic and social competencies while encouraging critical thinking about community needs. By organizing activist campaigns and volunteer actions, students will develop teamwork and organizational skills, break down prejudices, and promote intergenerational cooperation and understanding of diversity.

The project includes an experience exchange for students through a joint meeting and a study visit for teachers to examples of good practices. Activities will continue through regional and local volunteer centers and mentoring for schools, ensuring the sustainability of the programs. Professional conferences will provide a platform for promoting established volunteer programs.