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BEST PRACTICE:

VOLUNTEER-BASED COOPERATION TO INTEGRATE WAR REFUGEES IN BANSKÁ ŠTIAVNICA

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BEST PRACTICE SUMMARY

- FIRST REFUGEES ARRIVED IN B. ŠTIAVNICA AROUND FEBRUARY 26, 2022
- CORE GROUP OF VOLUNTEERS (5) HELPED IN SETTLING ACCOMMODATION
- WIDE GROUP OF VOLUNTEERS (20-30 PEOPLE) – OFFERED SERVICES IN THEIR FREE TIME – COMMUNITY CENTRE IN MARCH 2022
- KEY TO INTEGRATION IS **HAVING AN INCOME** AND **LEARN THE LANGUAGE**
- **MUNICIPALITY REMAINED PASSIVE**



HELPING TO FIND INCOME

- BY VOLUNTEER COOPERATION ONLY
- NETWORK OF EMPLOYEES
- UP TO 100 PERSONS EMPLOYED



LANGUAGE COURSES

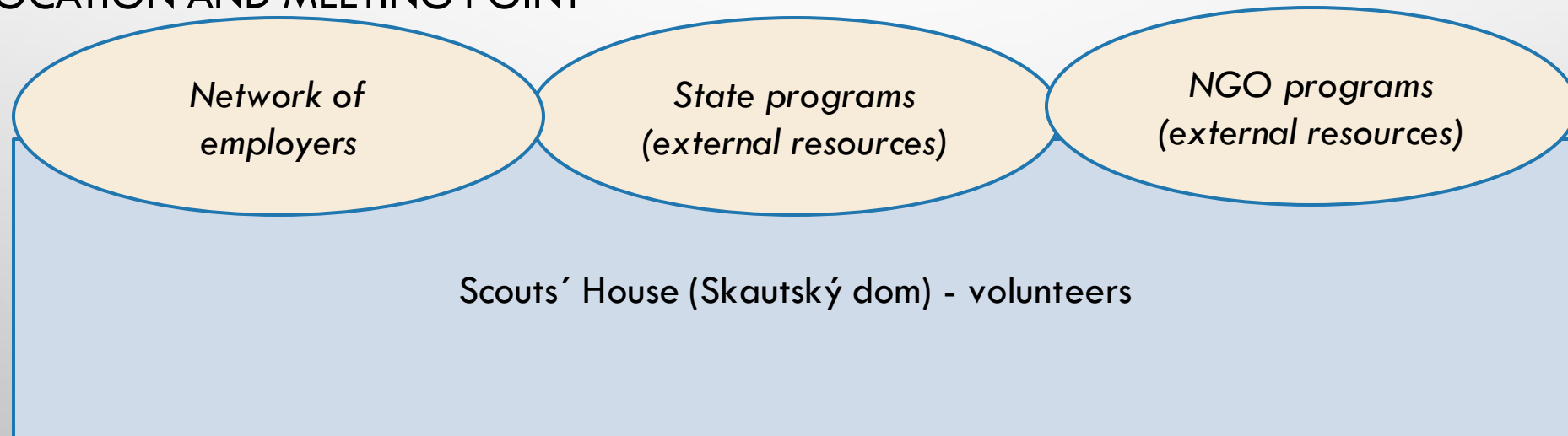


WORKSHOPS AND CULTURE



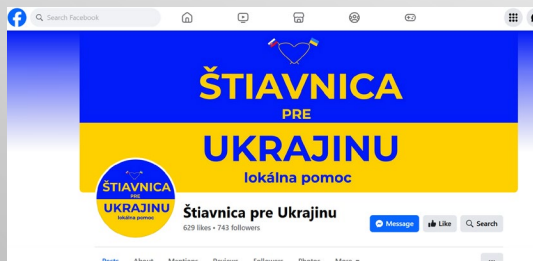
IMPORTANCE OF HAVING A BASE

- THE BASE SERVED AS A COMMUNITY CENTRE, ACCOMMODATION FACILITY, WORKSHOP LOCATION AND MEETING POINT



RESULTS AFTER 18 MONTHS

- AROUND 500 REFUGEES ACCOMMODATED (CUMULATIVE NO.)
- UP TO 100 REFUGEES EMPLOYED (CUMULATIVE)
- AROUND 100 CHILDREN TAKING PART IN ACTIVITIES AND WORKSHOPS (CUMULATIVE)
- UKRAINIAN CLUB ŠTIAVNICA ESTABLISHED AND FINANCED SOLELY BY PRIVATE CONTRIBUTIONS AND GRANTS
- COMMUNICATION TOOLS ESTABLISHED VIA FB PAGES – ŠTIAVNICA PRE UKRAJINU (743 FOLLOWERS), PRIVATE UKRAINIAN CLUB ŠTIAVNICA



METHODS OF FUNDING

- VOLUNTARY WORK OF THE CORE OPERATING GROUP
- COMMUNITY HELP, PUBLIC GATHERING
- STATE RESOURCES TRANSFERRED TO MUNICIPALITY BANSKÁ ŠTIAVNICA
- NGO GRANTS (LIGA ZA DUŠEVNÉ ZDRAVIE, TENENET O.Z., MAREENA O.Z., IOM SLOVAKIA, ČERVENÝ KRÍŽ BANSKÁ ŠTIAVNICA, ÚSMEV AKO DAR, EQUITA O.Z., LIGA ZA ĽUDSKÉ PRÁVA)

EXCELLENT ELEMENTS

- VOLUNTEERS FIRST TO HELP
- INFRASTRUCTURAL BACKGROUND/BASE (ENTREPRENEUR WORKING IN AN NGO)
- ALREADY ESTABLISHED VOLUNTEER GROUP AROUND THE NGOS
- COMMUNICATION: FB PAGE ŠTIAVNICA PRE UKRAJINU
- FOCUS ON EMPLOYMENT