

STANDBY ME



THE AWARD IS RESPONDING TO THE CHALLENGES OF TODAY WITH THE STAND BY ME INITIATIVE

ACHIEVABLE



INTERNATIONAL AWARD PROGRAMME

INSPIRATIONAL



BECOME A PILLAR FOR LOCAL COMMUNITYS

ENJOYABLE



ADVENTUROUS JOURNEY IN THE LOCAL COUNTRYSIDE



Stand by Me is a two-year special project within the Award, aimed at connecting young people in the three countries with Ukrainian youth who have been displaced or impacted by the war in Ukraine.

Through the framework of the Award, Ukrainian displaced young people aged between 14 – 24 will be able to team up with a Czech, Romanian or Slovakian buddy and together to set goals, to regularly get active, volunteer in their community, develop skills and plan and undertake an adventurous journey in the local countryside.

Last few years have been dramatic for the whole world. However, we have learned a great lesson: that life, as we know it, can only continue and flourish if we all join our forces, if we commit to each other and if we act as a community.

The Duke of Edinburgh International Award together with its local programs in Romania, Slovakia and Czech Republic have joined forces with UNICEF to provide community engagement support in response to the situation in Ukraine.

14 - 24

people aged between

2 YEAR

special project

TEAM UP

Czech, Romanian or Slovakian

THROUGH REGULAR ACTIVITY, YOUNG PARTICIPANTS WILL SEE INCREASED MENTAL AND PHYSICAL WELLBEING, CONFIDENCE, PROBLEM SOLVING AND TEAMWORK, WHILE LIFELONG FRIENDSHIPS CAN BE BUILT.

VOLUNTARY



VOLUNTEER IN THEIR COMMUNITY

DEVELOPMENTAL



DEVELOP SKILLS AND CRITICAL THINKING

EMPOWERING



SUPPORT COMMUNITY AND CONNECTING YOUNG PEOPLE



HOW IT WORKS SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND YOUTH

THERE ARE 2 WAYS IN WHICH LOCAL AWARD PARTICIPANTS CAN DELIVER MEANINGFUL CHANGE AND BECOME PROUD JOINERS OF THE STAND BY ME PROGRAM:



As part of the program activities within the Bronze level, Award Participants can service within NGOs providing support for children and young people from Ukraine, by getting into the first line of response or by providing language skills, by delivering workshops and recreational activities for their Ukrainian peers, simply by befriending.



Buddy Up:
young people from each country, together with Ukrainian peers, join the Award Program through the physical Award Centres or through the Virtual Award Center and together set goals to regularly get active, can service in their community, develop skills and plan and undertake an adventurous journey in the Czech, Slovak or Romanian countryside



Working in collaboration with UNICEF, the Stand By Me initiative will leverage the Award's framework for non-formal education and learning as a tool for community cohesion. It will enable displaced young Ukrainians to continue their studies and prepare for work and for life, whilst also offering crucial moral and peer support via a young Czech, Slovak or Romanian buddy over a two-year period.



STANDING FOR EACH OTHER

WHY SHOULD UKRAINIAN YOUTH HAVE ACCESS TO THE PROGRAM:

- Receiving moral support to manage difficult feelings
- Getting increased confidence
- Obtaining transferable skills
- Building resilience and determination
- Developing planning and problem-solving skills
- Personal and social wellbeing

HOW IS YOUR INSTITUTION BENEFITING FROM BEING PART OF THIS SPECIAL INITIATIVE:

- Partnering within one of the most prestigious non formal learning programs in the world delivering to young people
- International recognition and cooperation
- Added social value through volunteering within the local community
- Leadership trainings
- Extended professional networking

THE ADDITIONAL VALUE OF THE PROJECT IS TO EMPOWER YOUNGSTERS FROM UKRAINE, ROMANIA, CZECH REPUBLIC AND SLOVAKIA TO BRING THEIR CONTRIBUTION WITHIN LOCAL COMMUNITIES WHERE PEOPLE FROM CONFLICT ZONES ARE BEING DISPLACED.

When registering for the Stand By Me project, leaders / mentors will receive training, a full pack of methodology for mentors and participants and other useful resources, including UNICEF safeguarding training and guidance.

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