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"World without Borders"



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love can cause
big changes



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Welcome speech

Aleksey Ananenko

CHAIRMAN CPA "WWB"



Dear friends!

The last years were challenging, devastating and pretty instructive for our Association. But the main purpose still remains – we work to help our children.

A report-election conference has passed. In cooperation with our reliable sponsor "ERIKS Development Partner" we have finished a long work cycle in the interests of disabled children and young people, which are in conflict in the law.

It's sad that we had to suspend our productive cooperation, but I do hope for the resumption of the collaboration in the near future. We are glad, that all planned tasks have been completed for the benefits of the children of our country! We work on some new promising areas of activity. The results of our work are reflected in the report.

Reporting is a good time to stop for a while, mull over some important issues and see new horizons.

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CPA "WWB" led the section of the charity associations in the Belarussian Public Associations Committee. The organization's representatives continue the work in the collegial bodies (Commission for case of minors within The Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus, Methodical Council within Ministry of labor and social protection of the Republic of Belarus). CPA "WWB" is included in the Public Committee of foreign gratuitous aid within the Department of Humanitarian Activities of The Office of The President of the Republic of Belarus (one of seven public organizations).

CPA "WWB" has extended the accreditation of the programs Erasmus+, European solidarity Corps.

CPA "WWB" is the only one representative in Belarus of «ART–Aggression Replacement Training» - a licensed program that means individual work with children that are in conflict with the law. It is widely used in Western Europe and North America.

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Besides, a great diversity of some global problems affected our lives and work as well. And it's hard to resist it. Our children also have to face some particular challenges.

We start to work on a new program level in cooperation with international public organization «SOS Children's Villages Belarus». We pay attention to such questions as socialization of children and young people, which are brought up in the residential boarding and custodial institutions, adapting them to live and work independently. We continue our work on defending children's rights, providing safe and friendly atmosphere in the residential boarding institutions. We have effectively collaborated with UNICEF on the questions of person-centered approaches in working with children that are in contact or in conflict with the law.

Our priorities are institutionalization prevention, realization of the children's interest and their rights as well, protection from violence and abuse, the youth crime prevention and strengthening the children's life potential. In the interests of the people of the target groups we continue our work to strengthen the competencies of the professional community, to prevent work burnout.

The violence and bullying prevention is still relevant, the problem is being transformed and needs new urgent solutions. We are focused on work with pupils and graduates from closed institutions, boarding schools, and their support, mentoring, and psychological recovery as well. Integration into society, the fight against stigmatization, and the development of creative potential and abilities among children require our attention and investment.

I'd like to thank all the partners, volunteers and donators for their work and to share a little story, that happened this year. I was really surprised by the situation that made me try harder and feel more optimistic about our future!

Recently, at the middle of the year, a man came to our office, offering us help with event organization. Visits like that happen, but I wish they happened more often. After our conversation it turned out that Vitaliy Mikhailovich (that was our guest's name) is a manager of the large business-structure, who was looking for those that are looking for a help!

It was really surprising and inspiring!

Thanks to that man and his company we could hold a lot of pleasant events for the children on the eve of Christmas and New Year!

It is a truly Christmas miracle, that begins in summer and I do hope it will last a long time.



With gratitude and high hopes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, which appears to be 'Aleksey Ananenko'. The signature is stylized and written in a cursive-like font.

Aleksey Ananenko

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“World without borders”



Mission

The main goal of “WWB” is to provide comprehensive assistance and support (social, pedagogical, psychological, informational and legal, material etc) for children and youth that are in need and for their families as well.

Vision

We unite people and organizations to provide comprehensive assistance for children and young people, including those with special developmental needs, or those are in conflict with the law, or are in residential institutions

BOARD MEMBERS OF CPA "WORLD WITHOUT BORDERS"

A report-election conference of CPA "WWB", which usually takes place once every five years, was held on March 17, 2023. As a result, all the activities and work of CPA "WWB" were recognized as satisfactory. The auditor's report was approved. New Council and auditor of the organization were elected. The new Council elected a chairman and a vice-chairman.



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Expert



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Elena Gerasimenko

Expert

TEAM OF CPA "WORLD WITHOUT BORDERS"

As of January 1, 2024, the number of members of CPA "World without borders" is 84 people: 5 people living in Brest region, Vitebsk region - 1, Gomel region - 2, Grodno region - 2, Minsk region - 13, Mogilev region - 2, Minsk city - 46, on the territory of the Kingdom of Sweden - 13 people. CPA "WWB" has one branch in the territory of the Kingdom of Sweden.



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Specialist



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Driver

Financial resources



Total amounts
of received
funds

664 982,70 BYN



Entrance and
membership fees

2 190,00 BYN



Voluntary
donations

7 837,56 BYN



Gratuitous
(sponsorship)
assistance

17 422,25 BYN



Assistance to disabled children in Residential boarding institutions



...results of the activities under the project "Realization of rights through communication" for 2022.

2023 were summed up. This project was carried out in cooperation with Ministry of Labor and Social Protection of the Republic of Belarus, Ministry of Education of the Republic of Belarus, Institute of Inclusive Education of the BSPU named after M. Tank, Academy of Postgraduate Education, regional Centers for correctional and developmental training , regional boarding schools for disabled children , local authorities and public organizations.

- ✓ A favorable communicative environment was created for all 220 children that live in Gorodishchensk Boarding School for Children with Special Needs of Psychophysical Development (hereinafter referred to as Gorodishchensk Boarding School). 60 pupils which have some problems with oral speech have developed communication skills through alternative and additional communication (hereinafter referred to as AAC), increasing the ability to express themselves and getting the opportunities for socialization. Trained **20 specialists of the boarding school** develop their skills of diagnosing the level of development of children's communicative behavior using AAC tools. As a result of training activities, **138 employees** have improved their communication skills with children using AAC tools. They take part in creating a communicative environment and use AAC tools, that already implemented, in their work. Specialists, providing rehabilitation, educational and medical services to disabled children, have enhanced opportunities to take into account the children's point of view and respond to their individual needs based on their rights.

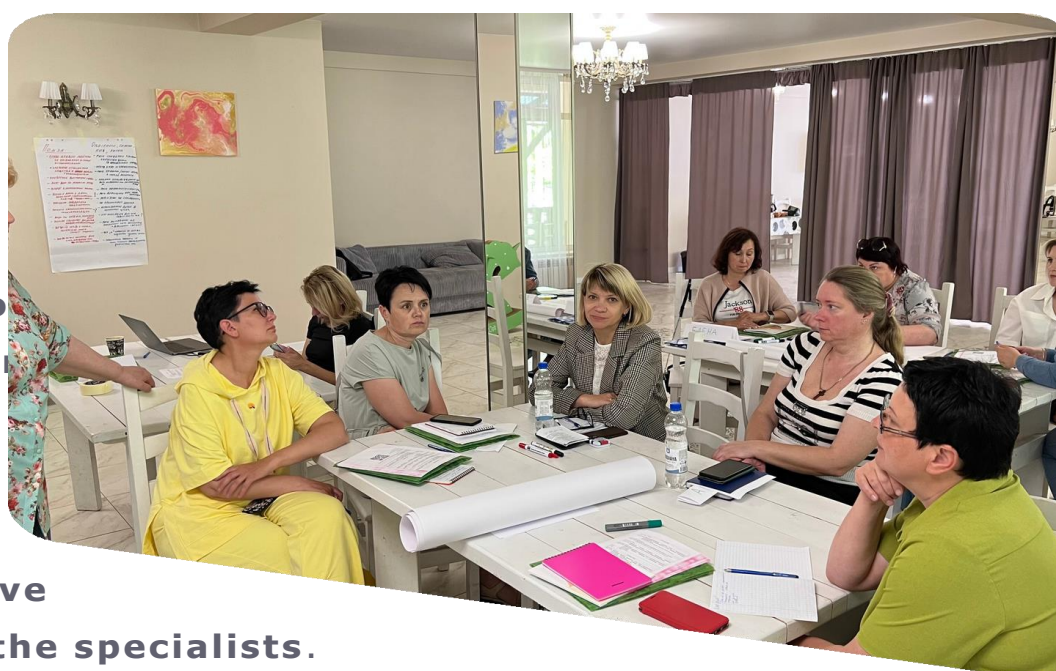
To spread the work experience on the realization of rights through communication, methodological materials on the implementation of ADC in institutional settings have been developed; a basic AAC course with a workbook, materials of a scientific and practical AAC conference have been prepared for distribution; **an innovative mobile application "RAZMOVA"** (assistant for creating visual communication tools) has also been developed.

There are **139 people** that are actively take part in event organizations. Specialists from state institutions, boarding schools, centers for correctional and developmental education and rehabilitation, socio-pedagogical centers, territorial day centers of the Central District Children's Clinical Hospital, speech pathologists, representatives of public organizations and private centers, volunteers **have developed their skills in using AAC methods with non-verbal children.**



304 representatives of local and national responsible parties who took part in the events got acquainted with the priorities of social policy: orientation towards raising a disabled child in their own family; development of social services for families raising disabled children; principles, approaches to the implementation of measures for the deinstitutionalization of disabled children, fixed in the roadmap; organizing rehabilitation and social services outside the home to prevent institutionalization.

For the successful realization of the children's rights to a family, a **roadmap, an educational course on deinstitutionalization and a family training program for raising disabled children have been developed for the specialists.**





in order to expand opportunities for disabled young people socialization, a project has been launched to develop life skills, career guidance for disabled adolescents and young people (pupils of 3 boarding schools). 26 young people started training. They completed 4 classes of the 12 modular Life skills and employment training program.

For the purpose of socio-cultural rehabilitation, the **XV Republican Festival of creativity of disabled children and young people "Dreams come true"** was held.

64 pupils of boarding schools for disabled children and young people became participants and diploma holders in different categories (choreography, theatrical art).

62 children from 9 boarding schools for disabled children and young people were pleased to take part in the charity New Year's greetings.



Assistance to children and young people in conflict with the law



In 2023, the project "A teenager in conflict with the law: from conflict to inclusion" has been completed. During its implementation, **more than 1,000 specialists** from educational institutions took part in training activities, and **30 regions of the country** are involved in the project as basic partner platforms.

Most of the young people who completed the individual rehabilitation programs, that have been developed according to new approaches, stopped committing crimes and successfully reintegrated into society.

During the work, invaluable experience has been gained and several methods have been introduced, that are, fully or partially, entered into the practice of social work in Belarus: technologies of individual preventive work, methods of structured approaches to predict and prevent further criminalization of adolescents who are in conflict with the law, neutralization identified risks in order to productively re-socialize and prevent illegal behavior of the young people.

CPA "WWB" in collaboration with the Ministry of Education of the Republic of Belarus, the Republican Institute of Professional Education, the Republican Volunteer Center held a scientific and practical conference **"Assistance and support in rehabilitation and re-socialization of the young people in contact with the law"** with the participation of international experts in the field of prevention and rehabilitation of minors in conflict with the law.



Around **300** education specialists, rehabilitation centers, mediators of the training and practical institution "Mediation and Law Center", representatives of the Belarusian Orthodox Church took part in the conference. There were major speakers from Russia and Sweden. A collection of materials has been released.

All the participants, including foreign ones, noted, the conference was held at a high level. There was high-quality selection of speakers, high level of organization and individual approach to everyone.

As a result of the conference, cooperation between organizations providing assistance to the young people in difficult life situations was successfully established.

This is the twenties consecutive year that we have visited summer integration camps in special closed-type medical and educational institutions in cooperation with our volunteers. Trainings, master classes, games, sports and creative contests, quizzes, various forms of productive leisure have been held for the pupils.



The project "Improving restorative practices for the young people in contact or in conflict with the law"

A creative and professional collaboration of specialists from state institutions of Brest and Gomel regions, the CPA "WWB", with the support of the UNICEF, have practically implemented some approaches that are aimed at eliminating risks and enhancing the positive opportunities for each child to help the young people in contact with the law.

More **than 60 specialists** are involved in methodological support of colleagues in the areas on the implementation of restorative practices, in which **1361 people** took part in. We helped **111 teenagers** to overcome their problems and avoid further criminalization. At the end of the year, compared with the last one, the number of children who committed offenses and crimes during the period of individual and preventive work decreased in both areas.



Nearly 200 children and young people from boarding schools, special educational and medical institutions of a closed type were pleased by New Year celebration, that was organized with the help of CPA "WWB", its sponsors, volunteers and also pop stars.



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