



## Centrs Dardedze

2023–2027

Every child only has one childhood. It offers joys and sorrows which will form the foundation for the child's life. This is the time when the child's curiosity and desire to explore the world interact with how the world actually works. This is not an easy time for adults either. They are the ones who create a surrounding environment for the child, be it safe or unsafe, depending on their knowledge and experience.

Our goal is to promote safe and respectful relationships and prevent violence against the child in families, with peers and in society in general in any setting offline and online. By advocating for a safe childhood, we aim to help children grow into stronger, more independent and happier adults, and better parents in the future.

**Vision:** Every child in Latvia is loved, protected, respected and cared for, living in a safe environment, free from all forms of abuse.

**Mission:** Prevent child sexual abuse and support child survivors of any type of abuse and their families.

### Our Impact Statement:

Girls and boys grow up in a safe environment, free from sexual abuse and sexual violence.

### Outcomes of our activities:

**CHILDREN:** receive timely knowledge about safe relationships, experience and practice safety in relationships

**CHILDREN:** receive timely and efficient support services

**PARENTS, PROFESSIONALS, ORGANISATIONS:** parents and professionals working with children gain knowledge and develop skills to practice safe relationships

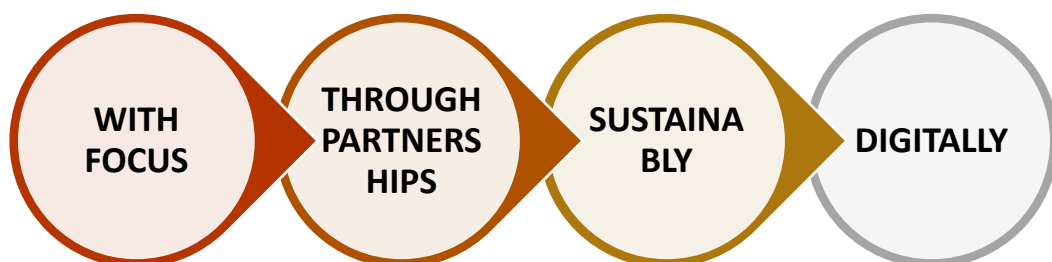
**SYSTEM** environment is supportive

Strong **DARDEDZE**

## WHAT we do:



## HOW we do it:



## Target groups:

- Policy makers at national level
- Local government policy makers
- Professionals working with children on a daily basis
- Parents and carers
- Children and youth

## THE ORGANISATION'S GOALS AND STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES 2023 – 2027

### EDUCATE

**Purpose:** To act as a competence centre in prevention of child sexual abuse and harmful sexual behaviour by providing development, information and prevention programmes Develop and implement training programmes

**Strategic objectives:**

1. Maintain, develop and promote the Jimba's Safety Programme in Latvia and internationally
2. Focused on providing the best and most effective training programmes to reach professionals and parents in a systematic way
3. Develop different training models to reach a wider audience of professionals
4. Targeted cooperation with pre-schools and sports clubs and/or interest-related educational institutions and/or religious organisations to promote the development of a safe and friendly environment for children, thus reducing the risk of violence.
5. Changing public attitudes through education and awareness campaigns, studies/surveys and conferences

### SUPPORT

**Purpose:** Support children and their families in difficult situations by working together with professionals and organisations across different sectors Provide rehabilitation services for children, especially survivors of violence, and their families

**Strategic objectives:**

1. Improve existing support services and the quality of these services
2. Creation of new support services for harmful sexual behaviour and sexual abuse cases

### INFLUENCE

**Purpose:** Actively advocate for a well-organised child protection system at national and local levels, promoting systemic change and coordinated action across sectors to prevent sexual violence and sexual abuse of children

**Strategic levels:**

1. At national level: active participation and strengthened cooperation with all stakeholders
2. At municipal level: support municipalities to take proactive and timely action to prevent child sexual abuse and provide support

### GROW

**Purpose:** Be a sustainable NGO based on the best interests of the child (in Latvia and beyond), maintaining high motivation, knowledge and competence of staff in the field of child abuse, especially sexual abuse

**Strategic objectives:**

1. Improve the organisation's professionalism and competence in the field of sexual abuse, based on the latest trends
2. Staff development and support
3. Improve the organisation's governance, efficiency and financial sustainability