



ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT

2019

Center Dardedze

We believe that child abuse IS preventable!

Center Dardedze is a non-governmental, non-profit organization that works daily to ensure.

Vision

Every child in Latvia is loved, protected, respected and cared for, living in a safe environment that is free from any form of abuse.

Mission

To prevent any form of child sexual abuse and exploitation, and to provide help for children and their families who have experienced any form of abuse.

Center Dardedze has set a strategic priority – prevention of child sexual abuse and exploitation for the period of (2018–2022).

We care for the safety of children at home, in schools and extracurricular activities, in childcare facilities, on line and in society in general.

Our team consists of psychologists, social workers, lawyers and other professionals who:

- assist children affected by sexual, physical, emotional abuse or neglect, and counseling their families;
- preventively provide children, parents and professionals with the knowledge and skills to identify and prevent any form of violence;
- organizes studies, conducts public awareness campaigns, monitors and acts on behalf of the best interests of a child.



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Through various prevention programs in 2019 we have reached:

16 075
children

7 737
parents

4 185
professionals

IMPORTANT EVENTS IN 2019

The Xth Annual International Conference on the Prevention of Violence against Child **"The Role of a Social Worker in Preventing Sexual Violence Against a Child"** was attended by more than 100 social workers from all over Latvia. During the conference, both foreign and Latvian experts highlighted a number of important topics that are helpful for social workers to identify and recognize the signs of child sexual abuse in a timely manner and provide confidence in finding resources to prevent and assist victims of sexual violence. Particular attention was paid to the problem that has so far been little talked about, but is becoming increasingly acute - peer sexual abuse or harmful sexual behavior. Unfortunately, statistics on harmful sexual behavior in children and adolescents are upwards.

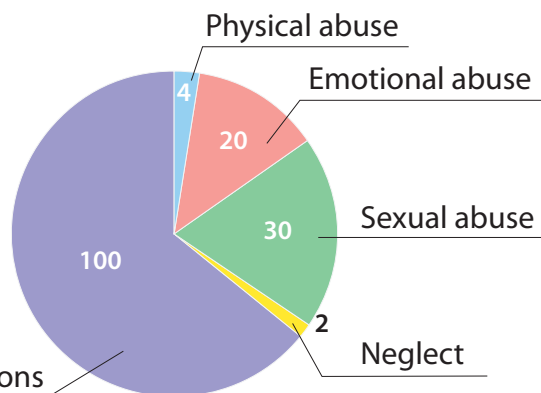
PREVENTION PROGRAMS:

The Džimba Safety program
Courage to be Friendly
Guardian Angel
Fathers matter
Guidance to raising a teenager
Pathways to competence
Child Safe and Friendly Kindergarten

In order to provide help in cases of violence towards children or high risk of violence we have reached:

156
children

287
parents/
adults



In 2019, the Center Dardedze launched a social campaign **"For Attentive Parents. Notice WHEN they need you!"** It aims to highlight the key role of parents in protecting their children from the risks they are faced with online. During the campaign also expert discussions and parents workshops were held to raise awareness of the crucial role of parents in helping teenagers be safe on line.

Within the framework of the preventive program **"Child Safe and Friendly Kindergarten"** implemented by Center Dardedze together with the Latvian Association of SOS Children's Villages, in close cooperation with Riga Municipality, seven new kindergartens that implemented this preventive program were certified.

To promote **cross sectorial cooperation**, Center Dardedze called together representatives from government, academical and the non-governmental sector, as well as practitioners, to discuss and share the work on preventing child sexual abuse and exploitation. The aim of the expert group that now meets regularly at least twice a year is to promote research in this area, data collection and analysis, and education of professionals and the general public, as well as support and monitor activities that should bring Latvia closer to meeting SDG2030 #16.2.



Upgrading the Dzimba Safety Program: The Dzimba's Journey turns into a **"Visiting Dzimba"** a shorter, more focused interactive adventure to prevent child sexual abuse and a brand new off-campus program direction has been designed and developed – a travelling, interactive "Džimba Safety school" to reach children from further regions of Latvia.

Center Dardedze launched donation hot-line, so anyone can call to help in our daily work – supporting children and families.

FUNDING FOR THE OPERATION OF CENTER DARDEDZE IN 2019

Funder	EUR
Oak Foundation	177 463
Fundacja Dajemy Dzieciom Siłę (Prevention of child sexual abuse and sexual exploitation program funded by Oak Foundation)	19 885
Europe Commission Justice Programme & Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme (REC, 2014-2020) – Promise II	13 644
Europe Commission Justice Programme & Rights, Equality and Citizenship Programme (REC, 2014-2020) – BADEV	49 070
Kids First Foundation	4 000
Riga City Social Department	27 364
Ministry of Welfare	69 389
Other	2 194
Total	363 009

Donations	
Rimi Ltd. (inkind)	750
Bez Vārda, Ltd.	400
Bendikas kantoris plus, Ltd.	300
Giving for Latvia (inkind)	146
Adventure Lab, Ltd.	89
Other	6 030
Total	7 715

Other	
Income from provided services	126 509
Other	18 725
Total	145 235
TOTAL	515 959



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