

ZEUXIS 2022

ZEUXIS was founded in 2018 and has since implemented various projects to provide support to vulnerable groups.

In 2022, Zeuxis continued the operation of the Shelters for Unaccompanied Minor Girls (OIKOS) and Unaccompanied Minor Boys (FIVOS), the operation of the Guesthouse “Hygeia” for families with children in need of hospitalization, the provision of protection and support services in the Safe Area of the island of Kos and launched the “ACTIVE” project for the support of the integration of young refugees/migrants.

For the implementation of these projects, Zeuxis cooperated closely with the relevant authorities, such as the Ministry of Migration and Asylum, the Special Secretariat for the Protection of Unaccompanied Minors, the Reception and Identification Service, the Asylum Service, the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs, the Public Prosecutors, Local Authorities, the Hellenic Police etc as well as other organizations. Zeuxis implements a Quality Management System according to the Standard ISO 9001:2015 and is registered with the Registers of the Ministry of Migration and Asylum and the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs (as a provider of primary and secondary social services).



Shelters for Unaccompanied Minors

The Shelter for Unaccompanied Minor Girls “OIKOS” started its operation in Athens, in October 2018 and the Shelter for Unaccompanied Minor Boys “FIVOS” in Piraeus, in March 2021, both with funding from the Swiss Ministry of Interior. They have a capacity for twenty-one girls and thirty-two boys respectively, who are placed by the General Secretariat for the Protection of UAM. OIKOS and FIVOS provide safe accommodation, meals, access to healthcare and formal education, clothing, personal hygiene items, monthly cash allowance etc. They also provide psychosocial and legal support, as well as educational and creative recreational activities aiming at integration and preparation for independent living. The specialized and experienced staff consists of social workers, psychologists, educators, lawyers, interpreters, caregivers and cleaning and maintenance staff.

In 2022, the two Shelters were funded by the program “Reinforcing the UAM Reception and Accommodation System in Greece”, (Hellenic Ministry of Migration and Asylum - EU Emergency Assistance) and the Sectoral Development program of the National Development Program of the Hellenic Ministry of Migration and Asylum.



Number of beneficiaries in 2022: Seventy-nine (79), thirty-seven (37) girls and forty-two (42) boys.

OIKOS, total cost for 2022: € 481.261,85

FIVOS, total cost for 2021: € 694.797,54

Merimna – Safeguarding Children at Greek border points - Safe Area Kos

In 2022, Zeuxis, as an implementing partner of the International Organization for Migration, provided protection services to Unaccompanied Minors in the Safe Area of the Reception and Identification Center of Kos.

The services included the care of the minors on a 24-hour basis, legal support and interpretation, psychosocial support, access to healthcare, escort and transport and recreational creative activities, in cooperation with the Reception and Identification Service, the National Organization for Public Health, the Asylum Service, the Public Prosecutors, other NGOs and international organizations. The project was funded by the Asylum, Migration, and Integration Fund of the E.U.

Project duration: 28.10.2020-31.03.2022

Number of beneficiaries in 2022: Nine (9) of a total 254 since the beginning of the project.

Total cost for 2022: € 71.573,53



Guesthouse “Hygeia”

From July 2021 until June 2022, ZEUXIS operated the Guesthouse “Hygeia” to accommodate and support families whose children need hospitalization in Athens. Access to health services is a challenge when it comes to refugees and migrants, as well as other persons belonging to vulnerable groups, such as Roma or other Greeks living in poverty. Especially people who live in areas away from Athens face an additional problem related to the capacity of regional hospitals, the medical specialties provided and the variety of services available to patients. Especially when it comes to children, the regional hospitals usually refer the cases to Athens, where the big children’s hospitals are located. When this happens, however, the family faces a number of challenges, such as a lack of money for travel and accommodation expenses, the difficulty in communicating with the competent services, the bureaucratic procedures, as well as the care of the other children they may have.

The Guesthouse started operating in July 2021. Its operation was funded by Kindernothilfe. It could accommodate up to twelve people (three families in separate rooms). Extra cleaning services for the common areas were provided. Guests had access to internet connection. They were also provided with personal hygiene items and extra material support, if necessary, (such as crutches, diapers, baby milk etc) and received monthly cash allowance, public transport tickets, medication etc. A minivan was available for longer transfers and travel cost to and from Athens was covered, as well. For the operation of the Guesthouse, Zeuxis cooperated with various stakeholders, such as the Ministry for Migration and Asylum, social services of hospitals, NGOs etc.

Project duration: 01.02.2021 – 30.06.2022

Number of beneficiaries in 2022: thirty - seven (37)

Total cost for 2022: € 83.499,56



Integration and non-formal education

For the promotion of the integration of minor and young refugees, Zeuxis started in 2022 the Center “Active” for the support of the integration of young refugees and migrants. The Center offers identification and recording of skills through structured questionnaires and sessions, development of an individual plan including plan(s) for education, training, apprenticeship, employment, support for the recognition and validation of existing knowledge and skills, activities on personal development, independent living, empowerment of social skills, familiarization with the social and economic environment for the active participation in the community, lessons in Greek and English language and ICT use, placing emphasis on developing skills and search for education and employment opportunities.

Project duration: 01.09.2022 – now

Number of beneficiaries in 2022: Forty - two (42)

The project is supported by volunteers and the equipment was donated by the Unit for Integration and Support of the Special Secretariat for the Protection of Unaccompanied Minors.



