



Association for affirmation of culture

Dear friends, dear donors,

We hope you are doing well in these times and that you and your loved ones are in good health.

I am not happy to let you know that unfortunately situation has not changed much and that uncertain times are still ahead of us. The new increase in the number of people infected with the COVID 19 virus everywhere in the world and in Serbia has led to various restrictions, of which we are particularly affected by those related to bans on gatherings, i.e. restrictions on the number of people allowed indoors.

Despite everything, the ASK Center has renewed its work, to a reduced and legally allowed extent, respecting all prescribed measures by the competent authorities of the Republic of Serbia as well as local authorities.

We are still struggling to fundraise for the expenses we could not postpone (rent, utility bills, loan we got from ERSTE bank to renovate part of our Education center etc.) but it is also facilitated with your help as well as the help of other friends of the organization and members of the Board of Directors.

However, not everything is so black and several projects we applied for in the previous period have been approved for funding. Some of them are already underway and we are happy to inform you that the fourth generation of 60 young people from 15 underdeveloped municipalities is currently passing through our Lighthouse of Knowledge program. Their projects aimed at improving their local communities will be presented at the end of November, and with your help and the help of ERSTE Bank, we have provided funding for the best ideas.

In addition, the training of the second generation of young entrepreneurs from all parts of Serbia who are passing our program of the Academy of Youth Entrepreneurship is underway. Their ideas will also contribute to their local communities through youth employment and their business ideas will be presented to an expert jury in early December.

We all go through these difficult and unpredictable times together, but the very fact that we go through them together with you makes us stronger and gives us the strength to persevere.

Thank you for your help and let us know that each of our successes is also your success.

For all your questions or ideas, we are at your full disposal at any time.

Kind regards,
ASK Team