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## **I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### **A. PROJECT GOAL AND OBJECTIVES**

CCF's project "Supporting Orphans and Vulnerable Children" is aimed at reducing the number of children in Belarus being institutionalized in state-administered orphanages and boarding schools. The program's goals are to prevent institutionalization in selected communities of Belarus by supporting a cultural environment conducive to at-home family care and also to move children out of institutions into less restrictive environments when prior circumstances necessitate removal from their family home. The project targets 'social orphans,' i.e., children whose parents are living, but are unable to provide proper care or children who have been denied parental rights. The project's activities focus on working with families and social service professionals to maintain and reintegrate children within their original family units.

This component has three main objectives:

- To improve access to and further develop an integrated system of community-based prevention and rehabilitation services for families as well as institutionalized and at-risk children.
- To improve the quality of training and education available to social service providers and awareness of community members surrounding the development of favorable family environments for children.
- To provide technical assistance to the Belarus Ministry of Education (MOE) in order to strengthen the national regulatory and methodological base promoting de-institutionalization and to disseminate key learnings of the project throughout Belarus to build a foundation for replication and sustainability.

### **B. PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS**

#### **I. Year 3 in Review**

Year 3 was characterized by significant improvement in capacity building of key community groups and quality of integrated community-based services addressing an array of risk factors to child maltreatment and institutionalization. Among them were alternative family type care, parenting education, life skills programs for orphans, health education and some therapeutic interventions such as substance abuse programs. About 80% of above-mentioned programs were managed and implemented by the local communities through the small grants.

Small grant projects coupled with intensive capacity building provided synergetic effect in the targeted communities and lead to the improvements in child protection system. Due to extensive public awareness campaign on child abuse and neglect in the targeted communities the number of the reports and complains about child maltreatment increased three times in comparison with the same period of the previous year. Improved capacity of services providers trained through CCF project helped to conduct proper investigation and case management. Approximately 90% of all the reports were substantiated, protective measures for children provided and rehabilitation services for parents suggested.

CCF project facilitated development of surveillance system generating facility-based information on child abuse and neglect. Equipment purchase and its installation in Orsha, Zhodino and Chausy was supported through small grants and completed by the end of the Year 3. The development of software component for Facility-based Computer Database will be continued in the Year 4.

Implementation of PRIDE model for recruitment and development of foster and adoptive parents significantly decreased risk of institutionalization for children who were removed from their families due to substantiated reports on child maltreatment. Two communities (Chausy and Zhodino) stopped putting their children into institutions (0% of new comings into institutions), the others have significantly decreased it.

In order to provide sustainability of project achievements four communities were assisted in creation of their Strategic Plans on de-institutionalization. Community Strategic Plans captured prevention and rehabilitation services, further development of family type care for orphans and covered period of 2008-2011.

CCF advocated for the development of the national quality standards on child protection and family type care for orphans. Development of national quality standards will help to insure project sustainability in the targeted communities and create a platform for further dissemination of the best practices countrywide. Series of meetings with Ministry of Education, UNICEF and other partners and stakeholders resulted in acceptance of CCF Action Plan where list of standards, resources and main actors identified. By the request of Ministry of Education and according to the Action Plan CCF Task Group developed Standard for Investigation of child abuse and neglect.

Strengthening national trainers' teams, exchange visits to project sites, round tables and networking between the specialists created a platform for geographic expansion and proliferation of national influence in Year 4.

In summary thus far:

- **About 800** specialists representing **169** child welfare community organizations were trained on the different aspects of child maltreatment and family support issues ; **386 of them** (44%) were trained through the small grants.
- **Thirty four (34) small grants** for the total amount of **\$324, 344** were in the process of implementation in Year 3.
- **Thirty six (36) new prevention and rehabilitation services** developed and incorporated into community child protection system through small grants;
- The total number of direct project beneficiaries reached by prevention and rehabilitation services this year was **3, 858 people**, **50% of** them were served via small grants.
- The total number of **beneficiaries** reached by Information campaigns is **219, 905 people**;
- Community Advisory Boards in 4 communities developed Community Strategic Plans on de-institutionalization
- **Standard on Investigation of Child abuse and neglect** developed and presented to Belarus Ministry of Education for expertise and national wide dissemination and use.

## II. CHALLENGES/ CONSTRAINTS

- Effectiveness of rehabilitation work with parents whose children were removed from a family is still low. According to PMEP data number of children returned to their biological families is below the target (148 against 185 planned) – specialists lack of knowledge and understanding of unique dynamics of reunification, methods and skills on family rehabilitation, working with unmotivated clients.
- Lack of understanding and commitment of local administrations who decide about the budget to support the development of alternative forms of family type placement (fostering, adoption, etc). In most communities number of foster parents that could be supported through local budget is less than number of children in need family type placement– there is need for advocacy on the local level in order to change priorities and increase support to family type care for orphans.
- High level of staff turnover in child protection services became a barrier for sustainability of project interventions – a process of additional training of Master Trainers was started to fulfill HR gaps in a timely manner.
- Tension in diplomatic relations between Belarus and USA, pre-election period and traditional pre-election anti-American and anti- European campaign in mass media caused concerns in some oblast level authorities re partnership with US organization. It resulted in delays with approval receiving for two small grants from Minsk Oblast Department of Education. By the same reason the oblast level round table in Zhodino scheduled for June 2008 was postponed by the decision of Minsk Oblast Department of Education.
- Call for proposals for NGOs showed their lack of capacity and understanding of risk factors and NGO role in de-institutionalization process. It revealed in poor quality of their proposals – there is a need for a specialized training program for NGOs in order to mobilize their resources.
- [The revision of Presidential Decree # 495, issued on 30.09.2002 came into force on April 24, 2008](#)

that resulted in 10 times increase of the office rent for local non-profits. Many NGOs/CSOs have lost their offices and domiciles that put them at risk of closing down (according to Belarusian law it is illegal for NGO/CSO to operate without domicile and office). At the same time some NGOs managed to get a special permission from the governmental bodies to keep the pervious rent rate. CCF project facilitated exchange of information between NGOs. To the date all NGO project partners got similar permissions. .

### III. LESSONS LEARNT

- Communities with strong leadership demonstrated better results. All project assisted communities have equal opportunities for the different type of support from CCF. Nevertheless the palette of services that have been developed in every community varied and depended on the interest and enthusiasm of community specialists, their ability and desire to improve local child protection system.
- Recruitment of prospective foster and adoptive parents through information campaign needs more careful planning of follow-up to incoming calls. As M&E showed the designated specialists lack adequate skills to answer telephone calls following public awareness and information campaigns in the communities. Proposed solutions are training on answering telephone calls and development of the written tips/recommendations.
- Introduction of project-oriented approach and implementation of small grants became new challenge for the state partner organizations. They require support and technical assistance from CCF-Belarus program specialists in order to maintain project quality. Networking and regular experience exchange between certain groups of community professionals (“communities of practice”) were very helpful.

### IV. PROJECT ACTIVITY

#### OBJECTIVE 1

**To improve access to an integrated system of community-based prevention and rehabilitation services for families, institutionalized children, and children at risk.**

This year app. 80% of innovative programs and services introduced and managed by CCF in previous years were implemented through small grants. It helped local communities to foster result-oriented approach and develop new management skills in project design, planning, monitoring and evaluation. This project oriented approach will ensure sustainability of innovations introduced through CCF.

- **34 small grants** awarded in the Year 2 and 3 were in the process of implementation this Year.
- **Thirty six (36)** new community based prevention and rehabilitation services were introduced into the child protection practice.
- **3,858 people** (parents, orphans and children at risk) benefited from prevention and rehabilitation services. **50%** of them were served through small grants.
- The total number **beneficiaries** reached by Information Campaigns is **219,905 people** (*the total number of beneficiaries is not a sum of coverage by different projects*);
- **473 children with disabilities** got access to the services;
- **Seven hundred ninety eight (798)** orphans were enrolled in Life Skills education programs;
- **86 %** of orphans reported improvement of knowledge and skills related to Life Skills education.

#### Prevention Services.

##### **Activity: Parenting Skills Enhancement Program**

**Thirty six (36) groups of parents (418 people)** in Zhodino, Orsha, Chausy, Volozhin, and Kobrin have participated in Parenting Skills Enhancement Program within the reported period. 30% (127 people) of participants were parents from the risk group (*parents who are under close supervision of social services and police because of their asocial behavior and inability to provide adequate care for their children*).

50% of all groups have been implemented within small grants.

##### ***Based on the results of self-reports:***

- **84% of parents** who completed the Parenting Enhancement Program reported better understanding of the reasons of children's misbehavior and ways of coping without the use of violence;
- **83% of parents** reported improvement of their parenting skills and non-violent disciplinary methods;
- **83% of trained parents** assessed themselves as "responsible parents";
- **87% of parents** maintained optimal emotional contacts with their children;
- **66% of parents** started using methods of stress management and self-regulation.

Quotes from Parents:

*Marina from Zhodino:*

*"I have just understood one thing my child is not a toy that I can twist round my little finger. Before I was completely absorbed in my personal life and boyfriends and did not think about my son and his future life. I am so ashamed... But it is not lost that comes at last. Now I do everything in a different way! I play and talk to my son, I listen to him and try to understand his feelings. And he became more calm and balanced and does not cry so much. According to kindergarten teacher he does much better there."*

*Olga, a mother of 4-year old son from Chausy:*

*"As a result of the classes I observed how my son started turning into independent personality been in his early age: he started respecting the opinion of other people and I am sure that our joint efforts will help to raise him as a confident person. This is a dream of every mother:"*

**Activity: Playgroups for children**

This Year **forty seven (47)** playgroups for 235 typical children and 129 at risk children in Zhodino, Orsha, Chausy, Volozhin, and Kobrin have been carried out while their parents are at Parenting Classes. Joint activity of children at risk into with their peers helps to practice communication skills and develop appropriate patterns of behavior through art therapy, fairytale therapy, mini performances etc.

Note: Reports including lists of the participants, analyses of pre-post evaluation forms and focus group discussions notes are available from the CCF-Belarus office upon request.

From trainer's reports:

*"Roman's behavior was very anxious because of frequent scandals and quarrels between his parents. The boy dreamed how he would walk with his mom and dad or how they go to the circus together. He drew it on his picture. I showed his drawing to his parents and it became the revelation for them... They realized how much their child suffered and needed them... Very often children cannot express verbally their feelings and wishes. Art tools are very helpful."*

**Activity: Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention Program**

Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention program started under CCF managerial support two years ago was continued through small grants scheme this year. **Four (4) small grants** were awarded for replication of the Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention Program in Chausy, Kobrin, Volozhin and Smorgon communities. By the end of the year three projects have been registered by the Department of Humanitarian.

As a result:

- **Twenty five (25)** groups of children (**385 people**) were in training this year. 40% of all groups were conducted via small grants;
- **83% of schoolchildren** participating in the program reported improvement of knowledge and skills on healthy life style; reproductive health issues; drug abuse and HIV/AIDS; decision making

**Activity: Life Skills Education training for institutionalized children.**

**Seven hundred ninety eight (798) orphaned children** from boarding schools and shelters as well as children at risk in Orsha, Kobrin, Zhodino, Chausy and Volozhin completed Life Skills program that combined classroom-based training activity and practicing household and recycling skills.

- **Approximate 86% of teenagers improved** their knowledge and skills in setting and achieving life goals, effective communication and decision making, anger management, job seeking; identified their personal

positive characteristics, life values, gender roles and stereotypes; formed responsible attitude towards parenting; improved their household skills; kept up sewing and carpentry skills, produced furniture (bedside tables, beds, tables) for the needs of the boarding schools, repaired old clothes and made new one.

- **27% of all groups** were conducted within small grants.

Note:

Trainer's reports, developmental programs are available upon request at CCF-Belarus office

### **Care and Support for children with disabilities and their families**

#### ***Volunteer activity to support families with children with disabilities .***

*Inclusion* of children with disabilities into activity of the peer groups can promote healthy social interaction and beneficial growth experience for all participants. This year 7 volunteer groups (104 people) from Chausy, Volozhin, Zhodino Kobrin and Orsha assisted families raising children with disabilities. They carried out **48** cultural/leisure activities (New Year's Ball and Christmas celebration, St. Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, sports games, concerts dedicated to the end and beginning of the school year, art gallery and handicraft creation, work in the summer camp, home visiting etc.) with **114** children with disabilities from local Habilitation Centers.

#### ***Developmental opportunities for children who have disabilities***

Equipment purchase helped to broaden palette of new services . As the result **two hundred and eighty two (282) children with disabilities** got access to toy library, special ergo-therapeutic equipment, IT development programs.

#### ***Services for children who have disabilities and their families through small grants***

This year **three** small grants aimed to develop services for children with disabilities and their families were in the process of its implementation. As the result:

- **10 services** were introduced within small grants for children who have disabilities and their families.
- **473 children with disabilities** got access to new services;
- **273 parents** of children who have disabilities were supported;

Mobile toy library, consultations of the psychologist, fairytale therapy, Club for parents raising children with disabilities have been continued within small grant for Kobrin Branch of NGO BelAPDiMI. As a result **29 children with special needs** as well as **110 parents of children with disabilities** got access to new services. Taking into account the need to diversify and create new services for children with disabilities and their families Kobrin branch of BelAPDiMI submitted a proposal for cost-extension project prolongation. It was supported by CCF this Year.

NGO "Belarusian Children's Hospice" has started home-based services provision for young families with children having special needs in Minsk and Pinsk town (Brest oblast). **78 parents** have been united into Family Club and got practical skills in taking care about a child who has a disability. As a result **41 children** were provided with proper home based care.

This year National NGO BelAPDiMI has started innovative project aimed at prevention of parents' denial from newborns with disabilities. As a result **85 parents** of children who have disabilities got access for phone counseling, legal, information and psychological assistance. Individual rehabilitation plans were developed in partnership with parents.

NGO «Belarusian public union of Riding and Hippo therapy» started integration of **7 children with disabilities** and **7 teenagers** raised in neighboring boarding schools from Minsk and Minsk region through rehabilitation trainings on hippo therapy method of Pat Parelli "Natural Horsemanship".

*For more information, please see Annex 1.*

### **Other prevention and rehabilitation services developed through small grants:**

- **Public Information Campaigns on child abuse and neglect**

To raise public awareness *information campaign on child abuse and neglect prevention* was started in Volozhin, Zhodino and Kobrin. Booklets and posters on child abuse and neglect issues, audio and video clips, were developed and disseminated and reached app. **56% of the total population**. In all cities the number of

individuals reporting child abuse and neglect cases *has increased in more than 3 times* compared with the same period of the last year. Approximately 85% of all complaints/reports about child abuse and neglect have been proved by investigation of child protection services. Children were provided with safe placement and rehabilitation plans for these families developed.

- **Family type care based on PRIDE model**

Recruitment, training and evaluation of prospective foster and adoptive parents on PRIDE model was supported in Chausy, Orsha, Zhodino and Volozhin communities. Within recruitment information campaign **52 %** of the total population was reached and the number of inquiries about family type care for children has increased **5 times** in comparison to the same period of the previous year. *Eighty (80) prospective foster and adoptive parents* completed PRIDE training program this Year. As for now there are *42 people* providing family type care including foster care, guardianship, or adoption for *28 orphans* from boarding schools or shelters. Among them *4 children* were adopted, *17 children* placed into foster care, *3 children* are at the guardianship and *4 children* are placed into guest families.

- **Prevention of child abuse and neglect among youth at risk**

Within its small project NGO “Focus Group” conducted *Training program on family values* for 68 at risk children and youth from Zhodino evening school.

- **Substance abuse Rehabilitation through AA 12-step program**

12 steps AA programs were continued in Orsha, Kobrin, Zhodino and Volozhin within small grant to NGO “Mothers against Drugs”. The project targeted parents with substance abuse problem who were at risk of removal of their child from the family or whose children have been already removed. As a result *44 alcohol addicted people* and *53 co-dependant relatives* participated in the program. Telephone counseling services were provided for *190 people*, and *159 people* got individual psychological counseling on alcohol related problems.

- **Domestic violence prevention**

NGO “Radislava” conducted training on DV issues for the specialists from five targeted communities (Orsha, Volozhyn, Zhodino, Chaussy, Kobrin). Trained individuals provided telephone and individual counseling for *460 people suffering from domestic violence*.

Besides they developed three new projects aimed to address the growing community needs for DV services. Two projects from Kobrin and Volozhyn were supported within the small grant scheme.

- **Rehabilitation services for imprisoned mothers and their children**

NGO “Penitentiary Health” has started a project aimed at improving communication and attachment between imprisoned mothers and their babies raised at specialized baby house. As a result *15 children* from a baby house of the prison participated in joint playgroup activity with their mothers to support attachment and empathy development. A Life Skills training course was started for *50 mothers*, who are serving a sentence in Gomel Colony.

- **Facility-based Computer Database**

To strengthen cross-sector cooperation of community child protection organizations creation of a network data-base on disadvantaged families and children at risk was started this Year. As a result special equipment was purchased and network is maintained. CCF developed TOR to select experienced organization that is able to develop software. The contact was signed by the end of September 2008 and the software is still in the process of its development.

*For more information about services through small grants please, see Annex 1.*

\*CCF sub-grantee’s quarterly reports are available at CCF-Belarus’ office upon request.

## **OBJECTIVE 2**

***To enhance the professional training and education of social service providers and awareness of community members with regards to the development of favorable family environments for children.***

In the Year 3 CCF continued capacity building for local specialists to ensure the quality and sustainability of the community-based services. Series of international workshops on substance abuse counseling and treatment, identification of child abuse and neglect, working with non-motivated client, toy library, Portage, and PRIDE in-service program were conducted. Besides international workshops local trainings were focused at additional capacity building for Community Advisory Boards, for trainer’s team working on child

protection, PRIDE and Parenting Skills Enhancement program, for volunteers providing services for children with special needs and CCF grantees.

- **869 specialists** increased capacity on above mentioned topics within the Year 3. All of them were provided with Manuals, Books and video materials
- **91 %** of participants reported improvements of their knowledge on the training topics;
- **62%** of them applied received knowledge and skills into practice

**Activity: International training program on child protection**

**Eight (8)** international workshops were attended by **112 child protection specialists** to develop capacity in rehabilitation services provision to alcohol abused families and their co-dependant relatives, in services provision for children with disabilities and their families, in improving identification of child abuse and neglect cases within health care system. Training program for specialists working with children who have disabilities was supported by SDC funded project.

**The following workshops were conducted:**

*International Workshops “Communication skills and attachment development” (1<sup>st</sup> of November; 2<sup>nd</sup> of November, 2007)*

*Workshop “Home Base Care Program: Holistic Assessment” (4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> of December, 2007)*

*International Workshop “Toy Library” (12<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> of March, 2008)*

*International Workshops “Portage” (14<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> of February, 2008; 12-14<sup>th</sup> of August)*

*International Workshop “Advanced training on Substance Abuse Treatment and Counseling” (28-30<sup>th</sup> of April, 2008)*

*International Workshop for doctors “Identification of Child Abuse and Neglect” (5-7<sup>th</sup> of June, 2008)*

**Activity: Preparation of local ToT group on alternative care.**

**Twenty seven (27)** local community specialists took part in series of **workshops on PRIDE in-service program** (27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> of March, 29-31<sup>st</sup> of May, and 19-21<sup>st</sup> of June, 2008). These workshops aimed at supporting foster and adoptive families. The participants represented local community specialists implementing PRIDE pre-service training program for prospective foster and adoptive parents within small grants, local community specialists working on alternative care development as well as representatives of the higher educational institutions.

To disseminate and replicate PRIDE program on local and national level, to respond to the requests from non-assisted communities to be trained on PRIDE model, a **national PRIDE trainer’s team** was formed of 6 persons. This group has passed through *ToT for PRIDE Master Trainers* on 11-12<sup>th</sup> of September, 2008 to increase proficiency in training adults using interaction techniques.

**As a result:**

- **100% of the participants** reported obtaining both knowledge and practical skills to support foster parents in understanding the relationship between child’s needs and behavior, to assist child needs responsibly using discipline techniques for promoting positive behavior; to assist foster parents in understanding factors affecting self-esteem and create necessary conditions for positive self-esteem development; to respect and support a child’s connection to birth family, to help a foster family to assess own strengths and needs for support; to advocate for children to obtain needed services; to prepare foster parents for the possibility of abuse/neglect allegations and to manage the investigation process; to provide developmentally appropriate information about sexual development and behavior, to recognize the problematic sexual development and adequate responding to it, to recognize signs and symptoms of sexual abuse, appropriate interventions to situation in the case of sexual abuse experience; to understand the core concepts of early child development.
- **44 % of** participants started practicing obtained knowledge and skills in training foster and adoptive parents within small grants;

- **Two (2) projects** were submitted to CCF for funding to incorporate PRIDE in-service program into local community practice to provide effective support for foster and adoptive parents. All projects are in the process of being registered in the Department of Humanitarian Aid.

**Activity: Trainings of Trainers (ToT) on Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention Program**

Twenty six (26) community specialists from Volozhin (9th -10th of October, 2007) and Chausy (12th -13th of October, 2007) had completed final testing training on Health Education and Substance Abuse prevention program.

**As a result:**

- **70%** of participants applied received knowledge and skills in conducting a training program for school children.
- **Four (4)** projects were awarded for replication of the Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention Program in Volozhin, Chausy, Kobrin and Smorgon communities. Three of them have been already registered in the Department of Humanitarian Aid by the end of this Year.

**Activity: Capacity building for Child Protection trainers' team**

Series of four ToTs on new modules were conducted on 13-14<sup>th</sup> of December 2007, 28-29<sup>th</sup> of January, 25-26<sup>th</sup> of February, 2008, 13-14<sup>th</sup> of May, 2008 for **20 child protection specialists**. The trainings were aimed to improve the capacity on the trainers' team implementing training program on Family-centered approach to child protection services on the community level through small grants supported by CCF.

**As a result:**

- A curriculum for 7 Modules of the Family-centered approach program was adapted by trainers' team to Belarus environment. The program covers such aspects as Investigative processes in Family-Centered Child Protective services, Engaging families in Child Protective Services, Assessment and Case planning in Child Protective Services The effects of Abuse and Neglect on Child Development; Separation, Placement and Reunification.
- **86,4 %** of participants applied into practice trainers' skills including methods of feedback collection from the participants about implementing new knowledge and skills into practice as a result of the training program, conducting brain storming, group work, role plays etc.

**Activity: Capacity building for trainers, implementing Parenting Enhancement Programs.**

This Year **forty two (42)** community specialists implementing Parenting Skills Enhancement Program in Orsha, Zhodino, Kobrin, Chausy, Volozhin and Bykhov increased their capacity and master trainer's skills through participation in **Trainer's Camp** (24<sup>th</sup> -27<sup>th</sup> of June, 2008) and **advanced ToT** (22-23<sup>rd</sup> of September, 2008) focused at supporting families raising children from 0 till 6.

**Trainers' Camp for trainers implementing Parenting Skills Enhancement Program** was aimed at professional development and experience exchange among trainers from Orsha, Zhodino, Kobrin, Chausy, Volozhin and Bykhov. Trainers exchanged their experience during the Roundtable discussion, developed trainers' capacity through participation in a training program focused on new interactive methods to incorporate new tools into trainers' work with parents' and children's groups as well as on self-regulation methods.

**As a result:**

- **100% of the participants** reported improvements in specific knowledge and skills such as understanding the importance of attachment formation between parents and children and particularities of brain development in early years as well as adults' learning techniques, interactive methods of teaching and self-regulation methods; positive non-physical disciplinary techniques as a basics for prevention of institutionalization in the pre-school age.

**Activity: Community Advisory Board Capacity building**

In the reported period CCF together with partner communities focused its efforts on sustainability of project interventions. To achieve this strategic planning process on de-institutionalization was started this year with CCF technical support provided to CAB members. Series of trainings on **Strategic planning** (Kobrin (28-29<sup>th</sup>

of February), Zhodino (25<sup>th</sup> of March), Chausy (22-23<sup>rd</sup> of April), and Orsha (20-21<sup>st</sup> of May) as well as a training **on Facilitation** (10-11<sup>th</sup> of April, 2008) were conducted for 54 Community Advisory Board members.

**As a result:**

- Four Community Strategic Plans were developed and capture prevention and rehabilitation services, further development of family type care for orphans and cover period 2008-2011, which is beyond the project timeframe.
- Strategic plan designed in Kobrin has been approved by local Administrations. Kobrin social services have already submitted four (4) new projects for CCF funding to fill in the existing gaps in Kobrin child protection system prioritized in created Strategic Plan.

**Activity: Capacity building for volunteer groups**

Five (5) additional capacity building trainings were conducted in Orsha (19-20<sup>th</sup> of October, 2007), Volozhin (23-24<sup>th</sup> of November, 2007), Chausy (14-15<sup>th</sup> of December, 2007), Zhodino (25-26<sup>th</sup> of January), and Kobrin (25-26<sup>th</sup> of January) for volunteer groups. Schoolchildren were acquainted with particularities of organizing holidays for children with special needs, developed skills in planning the holiday, program design, and practiced basics of art therapy, role plays and fairy-tale therapy.

Seven volunteer groups with their leaders from Orsha, Zhodino, Kobrin, Chausy and Volozhin participated in the *Volunteer Camp* activity on 27<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> of March, 2008. Volunteers exchanged their experience, improved communication skills, leadership ability to defend the own point of view, self-assertiveness, demonstrated positive traits of character as a result of participation in such trainings as debates, effective communication, myths and stereotypes, conflict resolutions.

Training on **Social Interactive Theatre (SIT)** was supplemented with **training on child protection** in Orsha (22-24<sup>th</sup> of February, 2008), Kobrin (29<sup>th</sup> of February - 02<sup>nd</sup> of March, 2008), and Volozhin (18-20<sup>th</sup> of April, 2008). The knowledge on types, symptoms and consequences of child abuse and neglect became the platform for development of the scenario for social interactive theatre performance in Orsha and Kobrin schools.

**As a result:**

- **105 young people** increased their capacity in services provision for children who have disabilities to assist their integration into community.
- **Forty eight (48) activities** were organized by volunteers who applied received knowledge and skills into practice.
- **One hundred fourteen (114) children with disabilities** took part in the joint activities, organized by volunteers as a result of the trainings.
- **Three performances** were shown in Kobrin, Orsha and Volozhin schools;
- Performance created by Kobrin school # 3 won a Regional Prize.

**Activity: Additional Capacity Building for grantees**

Additional capacity building events were attended by **97 people** implementing small grants supported by CCF. These trainings were aimed at ensuring the quality of project implementation.

On 26<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> of November, 2007 CCF-Belarus staff held training session on **Project Cycle Management**. Participants have created a project folder where they collect all required documentation. The quality of their quarterly reports to CCF has been improved.

To improve the quality of the reports received from the grantees **workshops “Monitoring and Evaluation: Reporting Tools”** were conducted on 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> of October, 2007 and on 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> of June, 2008 for specialists implementing small grants. The participants had practiced how to use Reporting Form in order to better reflect their achievements and needs. The participants revised their M&E systems and submitted it to CCF.

**Five (5) Calls for Proposals** were issued this Year with aim to replicate Parenting Skills Enhancement Program, Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention program, to develop initiatives of NGOs and governmental structures in child protection, to diversify the palette of services for victims of domestic violence, to develop social protection services on local level. Selection of the proposals was accompanied by **four (4) workshops on Proposal Writing** (on 5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> of November 2007; 9<sup>th</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> of November and 11<sup>th</sup> of

*December, 2007, 9<sup>th</sup> of July, 2008*) that helped representatives of the community social services in designing their proposals and submitting them to CCF for funding. As the result **64 projects** were received and 18 were awarded in the Year 3 for the total sum of **\$136 714, 31**. *Eight (8) projects* for the total sum **\$71 560** were selected for funding and money will be transferred in the first quarter of the Year 4.

### **Training activity for specialists provided by partner organizations through small grants**

This quarter partner organizations continued training program implementation on different aspects. As a result **386 child protection specialists** representing **136 organizations** were trained.

Dissemination of **family-centered approach to child protection** services through training programs for community *multidisciplinary teams consisting of the specialists from health, education, social services and police* was carried out in 5 project sites. As a result **191 child protection specialists representing 117 organizations** in Orsha, Zhodino, Kobrin, Chuasy and Volozhin were in training this year. Introduced multidisciplinary approach to child protection services proved to be very helpful to improve and unite efforts of different organizations dealing with families and children at risk, to make sound decisions about child removal from the family and to provide adequate services to support families in overcoming the crisis.

To support **services development for victims of domestic violence** a training program for **10 community specialists** has been continued by NGO “Radislava”. As a result of the training local community specialists started information dissemination about the problem of domestic violence as well as about services available on the community level. Training program was supplemented by issuing and further dissemination of information booklets, calendars, and information cards on domestic violence in 5 project sites.

Series of workshops on family values formation as well as final Round Table were conducted in Zhodino evening school for **30 specialists** within small grant implemented by NGO “Focus Group”.

To replicate **Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention Program** Smorgon Regional Youth Creativity Center has started training program on interactive methods of teaching for **15 teachers** from Smorgon local schools and boarding school for orphaned children.

### ***Capacity building for specialists working with children with disabilities and their families.***

A program for **42 community specialists** working with families raising children having special needs, and staff of Pinsk Children’s Hospice was started by NGO “Belarusian Children’s Hospice”. Participants were acquainted with new knowledge and practiced skills on services provision for young families with children who have disabilities.

National NGO BelAPDiMi started its project aimed at development of the capacity of specialists providing services for parents having newborn children with disabilities. As a result **98 specialists** got knowledge on principles, stages and particularities of services provision and engagement of parents having newborn children with disabilities.

*For more information, please, see Annex 1.*

\*CCF sub-grantee’s reports are available at CCF-Belarus’ office upon request.

### **OBJECTIVE 3**

***To provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Education in Belarus in order to strengthen the national regulatory and methodological base in the area of de-institutionalization and family support and to disseminate key learning of the project throughout Belarus to build a foundation for replication and sustainability.***

This year CCF advocated for the development of the national quality standards on child protection and family type care for orphans. Development of national quality standards will help to insure project sustainability in the targeted communities and create a platform for further dissemination of the best practices countrywide. Series of meetings with Ministry of Education, UNICEF and other partners and stakeholders resulted in acceptance of CCF Action Plan where list of standards, resources and main actors identified. By the request of Ministry of

Education and according to the Action Plan CCF Task Group developed Standard for Investigation of Child Abuse and Neglect.

- The number of stakeholders reached through *13 project dissemination and replication activities* this Year is **315 people**.
- Research on national adoption was completed.

**Activity: Technical Task Group Meetings**

According to the agreed Plan CCF Task Group has been working on National Standard on Investigation of Child Abuse and Neglect. To achieve it, a series of Technical Task Group meetings (*18<sup>th</sup> of March, 7<sup>th</sup> of May, 27<sup>th</sup> of June and 4-5<sup>th</sup> of September, 2008*) were held to develop *National Standard on Investigation of Child Abuse and Neglect*.

**As a result:**

- **Four (4)** Task Group meetings were conducted;
- **Five (5)** new non-assisted communities agreed to help with testing materials developed by the Task Group;
- *National Standards on Investigation of Child Abuse and Neglect Cases* were elaborated and the final version was presented to Belarus Ministry of Education for consideration.

**Activity: Dissemination and Replication activity.**

This Year CCF-Belarus focused its efforts on building a platform for replication and sustainability on the national, regional and local levels.

- **An International Round Table** “*Effects of Abuse and Neglect on Child’s Development*” (30-31<sup>st</sup> of October 2007) was conducted for 38 *participants* representing Ministry of Education, Ministry of Health, Ministry of Social Protection, Universities, NGOs as well as key stakeholders from oblast and community levels. It was a powerful incentive to understanding the importance of the attachment formation between parents and children from 0 until 3.
- **A National Round Table** (19<sup>th</sup> of March, 2008) as well as **five (5) oblast level Round Tables** were conducted for 132 *child protection specialists* representing 41 *organizations* to present the results of the project implementation.
- **Twenty one (21) masters** of schools, social workers, leaders of method learning of educational system from all over Belarus (Minsk, Brest, Gomel, Grodno, Vitebsk regions) participated in training on child abuse and neglect.
- Series of Round Tables were organized by grantees to disseminate achieved results among **124 people**.
- To increase dissemination of project achievements, information about the project results was regularly up-dated on CCF-Belarus website ([www.ccf-belarus.org](http://www.ccf-belarus.org)).

**As a result:**

- The number of stakeholders reached through *13 project dissemination and replication activities* this year is **315 people**.
- **Seventeen (17) requests** from non-assisted communities were received by CCF for training and further replication of the project activities in new geographic locations.
- Belarus Ministry of Education made a request for national wide expansion of CCF community based family centered model to support families with children who have disabilities.

**Activity: Research on national adoption.**

In May-September, 2008 a **Research on national adoption** was conducted by Belarus National Adoption Center. The goal of the research was to check intra-organizational and inter-system obstacles i.e. effectiveness and consistency of existing policies, fiscal, legal and juridical system barriers, consistency in adoption law, efficiency of organizational structures, preparedness of the specialists involved in the issue, integrity and interdisciplinary collaboration and coordination.

*The researchers came to the following conclusions:*

- There are some gaps that can be considered as an obstacle for finalizing the adoption. They are related to living wage provision, the order and time constraints for medical examination of prospective adoptive parents, cooperation between involved stakeholders .

- National legislation guarantees wide spectrum of benefits for orphaned children that covers different aspects of social life such as education, housing, social protection, rest, and etc. These benefits are available only for orphans not for those kids who are adopted. But it is not clear to what degree these conditions influence the adoption. The opinions of the specialists differ. Additional research should be conducted to analyze how existing system of benefits influences national adoption.
  - Key barriers for national adoption growth are low family income, constrained living conditions, insufficient information about adoption possibilities; complicated procedure of finalizing the adoption. Special training on psychological aspects of adoption for judges trying adoption cases should be organized to minimize mistakes within court system.
- For more information, please, see [www.ccf-belarus.org](http://www.ccf-belarus.org)

**Activity: Exchange visits**

A *study visit to St. Petersburg* was organized on 28<sup>th</sup> of September-2<sup>nd</sup> of October, 2008 to acquaint **nine child protection specialists** with the successful experience of prevention and rehabilitation services for families and children at risk provided in governmental and non-governmental organizations in Saint-Petersburg, Russia. The participants were acquainted with such services as hot line on substance abuse issues, social apartment for orphaned teenagers as a method of preparing them for independent living, training and support for foster families, services for the graduates of the boarding schools and orphanages, supporting relations between sheltered children and biological parents to assist in family reunification. It was a unique opportunity to learn about inter-sector cooperation in child protection and new services available for families and children at risk. It inspired Belarus child protection specialists for new services development to support disadvantaged families and children at risk mobilizing community resources.

**V. COORDINATION/ COOPERATION/COST SHARING**

• **Coordination with USAID**

Irina Mironova, CCF-Belarus Chief of the Party, and Mariana Ananenko, CCF-Belarus OVC Project Manager, as well as Vladimir Korzh, Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist, had a meeting with Jahor Novikov, USAID-Belarus CTO, and Larissa Komarova, USAID/Belarus Program Development Specialist to discuss adjustments in PMEP.

On 31<sup>st</sup> of October, 2007 Irina Mironova, CCF-Belarus Chief of the Party, met with USAID Regional Legal Advisor.

On the 1<sup>st</sup> of November 2007 Irina Mironova, CCF-Belarus Chief of the Party, met with Earl Gast and updated him about the project

• **Coordination with Belarus Ministry of Education**

Irina Mironova was invited as an expert by the Ministry of Education of Belarus for development of the III and IV Periodical Report about Convention of Children's Rights implementation in Belarus.

On the 5<sup>th</sup> of December, 2007 Irina Mironova, CCF-Belarus Chief of the Party and Mariana Ananenko, CCF-Belarus OVC Project Manager took part in the *working meeting* organized by Belarus Ministry of Education and UNICEF on social standards development. Practitioners from different Belarus regions as well as Academy of Post-Diploma Education participated in the meeting. CCF-Belarus presented existing USA standards.

• **Coordination with other stakeholders**

Irina Mironova, CCF-Belarus Country Director, and Marina Ananenko, CCF-Belarus project manager, took part in series of meeting (20<sup>th</sup> of February, 04<sup>th</sup> of March and 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2008) with Belarus Ministry of Education, UNICEF and Stockholm University aimed at elaboration of the national strategy of child protection standards development.

CCF-Belarus carried out a *Meeting of grantees implementing Information Campaigns on Family Type Care Development* on 24<sup>th</sup> of April 2008. Six project managers and community coordinators from Chausy, Orsha, Kobrin, Zhodino and Volozhin shared their achievements and obstacles they face implementing information campaigns.

• **Cost share and leveraging**

SDC sponsored series of Workshops such as “Home Base Care Program: Holistic Assessment”, “Toy Library”, and “PORTAGE” provided by CCF-Belarus for community specialists working with children with disabilities and their families. The total cost-share with SDC for this quarter was \$16 214, 4USD.

- ***Modification of current Cooperative Agreement***

In September 2008 USAID increased estimated award amount by 300,000 USD in order to incorporate Component III “Expanding People with Disabilities” in the current Cooperative Agreement. This new project component will compliment and expand activities for children with disabilities and their families started within Component I “Supporting Orphans and Vulnerable Children”.

## **VI. ANNUAL WORK PLAN**

Annual plan of the project was developed and submitted in August 2008 to USAID CTO, Jahor Novikau.

## **VI. PROJECT MANAGEMENT & STAFF DEVELOPMENT**

### ***Staff Changes:***

***Anna Arhangelskaya***, CCF-Belarus Small Grant Manager left CCF-Belarus. Inna Chirko was promoted to the position of Small Grant Manager.

### ***Staff Review meetings***

CCF-Belarus has held weekly project review meetings in Minsk. These meetings strengthened project management, performance, and integration leading to enhanced cooperation and communication between project staff.

### ***Staff development***

On the 20-21<sup>st</sup> of November, 2007 Elena Chesnovich, CCF-Belarus Child Protection Specialist, and Valentina Ahmetova, community coordinator in Chausy, took part in the *International Workshop in Kiev, Ukraine*, on legislation about child abuse and neglect prevention within the family. They were acquainted with the experience of governmental and non-governmental organizations from Russia, Ukraine and Moldova in identification of child abuse and neglect cases, legislation, prevention programs and rehabilitation services provision for the victims.

On 5-8<sup>th</sup> of November 2007, Irina Mironova participated in WHO Regional VIP TOT on Violence Prevention, in Salzburg (Austria). WHO covered all the expenses.

On 23<sup>rd</sup> of November-2<sup>nd</sup> of December, 2007 Irina Mironova, CCF-Belarus Chief of the Party, and Marina Ananenko, CCF-Belarus OVC Project Manager, took part in the study tour to USA (Columbus, Ohio) organized in partnership with Institute for Human Services (IHS). IHS is CCF partner in introducing Child Protection training program for Belarus community specialists at international workshops. As a result the visit the experience of alternative care development and child protection training program coordination on state level was learned, perspectives of further cooperation were identified. CCF-Belarus and IHS specialists had a meeting with the Governor of State of Ohio where they presented how Ohio child protection model influenced the development of child protection system in Belarus.

CCF-Belarus carried out a Meeting of Project Advisory Board consisting of the community coordinators and partner NGOs, and CCF-Belarus project staff on 18<sup>th</sup> of January 2008. Four (4) NGOs shared their achievements and obstacles they face implementing small grants. As a result of the meeting community coordinators and NGOs developed an action plan to minimize the obstacles and get synergetic effect of different projects in the targeted communities. The meeting helped community coordinators to understand the role and capacity of NGOs in solving community problems.

On 27-29<sup>th</sup> of February 2008 Irina Mironova, CCF-Belarus Country Director, took part in PRIDE International Round Table organized by Child Welfare League of America (CWLA) in Washington DC, (USA). She presented CCF-Belarus experience of PRIDE program implementation in Belarus. CCF-Belarus experience and strategic approach towards alternative care development got high assessment from international expert community. New trends, training programs for kinship care and life skills for orphans

were obtained from the colleagues from the different countries. Professional links established with counterparts from Russia, Serbia, and Poland.

To increase CCF-Belarus staff performance 3 day training “NLP for peak performance” was organized on *12-15th of June, 2008*. Issues of effective communication, time and project management were discussed. All the expenses were covered through CCF budget.

#### **VIII. BUDGET**

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○ GRANTS COMPLETED IN YEAR 3

**I. Chausy community:**

- Educational Department of Chausy executive committee :
  1. “Education of future foster parents on PRIDE program”,
- Chausy Social-pedagogic center:
  2. “Information campaign on alternative forms of child care development”

**II. Zhodino community:**

- NGO “Focus Group”
  3. “Future Without Violence and Abuse”

○ ACTIVE MICRO-GRANTS contracted in 2007-2008:

**I. Chausy community:**

- Educational Department of Chausy executive committee :
  1. “Prevention of social orphanage through introduction of family-centered approach to institutions of child protection system”,
  2. “Cross-sector cooperation on child and family protection through creation of unified informational record system”);
- Chausy School #1:
  3. “Healthy me - healthy country”
  4. “Children and parents”

**II. Zhodino community:**

- Social-pedagogic center of Zhodino
  5. “Education course for future foster parents”
  6. “Childhood without violence”
- Educational department of Zhodino Executive committee:
  7. “Zhodino Social Network”,
  8. “Assistance to prevention of social orphanage through creation of favorable conditions for family support, strengthening family upbringing and development of children life skills”

**III. Volozhin community:**

- Social-pedagogic center of Volozhin region:
  9. “A family to every child”,
  10. “Let's say "no" to child abuse”
  11. “Introduction of social orphanage prevention services to the work of child protection system”.
- Volozhin Territorial Center for Social Support of Population:
  12. “We choose life”

**IV. Kobrin community:**

- Kobrin Territorial Center of Social Support of Population
  13. “Children against violence”
- Kobrin Habilitation Center:
  14. “Family-centered approach in child protection system”;
- Kobrin branch of Belarusian Association of Assistance to Disabled Children and Youth

“Community services to vulnerable groups” Quarterly report.

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- 15. “Family Support Center – 2”;
- 16. “Family Support Center – 2” (Prolongation);

- Kobrin School #3
- 17. “My family”

#### **V. Orsha community:**

- Social-pedagogic center of Orsha:
  - 18. “Education program for candidates to foster parents”;
  - 19. “Informational campaign on alternative care for orphans”
  - 20. “Assistance to prevention of social orphanage through creation of favorable conditions for family support, strengthening family upbringing and development of children life skills”.
- Orsha School #20
  - 21. “Development of preventive services to strengthen family capacity and to prevent child abuse and neglect”;
  - 22. “Children and parents - a way to each other”
- Educational department of Orsha executive committee
  - 23. “Creation of network database on child protection in Orsha”;

#### **VI. Projects implemented in more than one community:**

- Public Union "Radislava"
  - 24. “Support Service as a form of counteraction to child and women violence”;
- National NGO "Mothers against Drugs"
  - 25. “A Way to Recovery -2”;

#### **VII. Innovative projects:**

- Belarusian Children's Hospice:
  - 26. “Upbringing of a «special» child in a family”;
- NGO "Penitentiary Health"
  - 27. “School for Social Adaptation of Children in Baby Houses of Correctional Institutions and Their Mothers”
- Smorgon Social Pedagogic Center
  - 28. “First steps of motherhood
- NGO Belarusian public union of riding and ippotherapy
  - 29. “Lucky horseshoe”
- NGO BelAPDiMI “Belarusian Association of Assistance to Disabled Children and Youth”
  - 30. “Family for every child”

#### **VIII. Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention**

- Smorgon regional youth creativity center:
  - 31. “We choose health”.

o LIST OF GRANTS ON REGISTRATION IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE (PRESIDENTIAL ADMINISTRATION), subcontracts 2008.

Organization Name	Project name	Contract signed	Amount \$	Transfer date	Start of registration
<b><i>Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention Program</i></b>					
Kobrin School #9	Our choice is health	12.02.2008	\$4990,00	15.02.2008	February 2008
<b><i>Rehabilitation and Prevention Services for Victims of Domestic Violence</i></b>					
Kobrin Territorial Center for Social Support of Population	Crisis Center for Women and Children	22.07.2008	\$9 997,05	22.07.2008	July 2008
Volozhin Territorial Center for Social Support of Population	Region without Violence	29.09.2008	\$7 871,50	30.09.2008	October 2008
<b><i>Education of future foster parents on PRIDE program</i></b>					
Educational department of Chausy executive committee	Education of future adoptive parents on PRIDE program (Prolongation)	05.09.2008	\$3 799,10	05.09.2008	October 2008
Social-pedagogic center of Kobrin	Education for foster and adoptive parents	15.07.2008	\$6 999,33	22.07.2008	July 2008
<b><i>Social Support for Families and Children in Disadvantaged Situation</i></b>					
Local Foundation "Center for Support of Rural Development and Entrepreneurship of Stolin District"	My Second Home	07.10.2008	\$9 994,77	08.10.2008	October 2008
NGO "Youth Educational Centre "Fialta"	Think. Act. Play	06.10.2008	\$9 962,00	08.10.2008	October 2008

o GRANTS COMPLETED IN YEAR 3

I. Chausy community:

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Educational department of Chausy executive committee	<b>Education of future foster parents on PRIDE program</b>	26.06.2007 - 26.06.2008 <b>Project completed</b>
<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the project is to increase the quantity of foster parents in Chausy and Chausy region through introduction of PRIDE program	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Recruitment and pre- service training for prospective foster and adoptive families on PRIDE program</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	Prospective foster parents, completed PRIDE program	34
	Prospective adoptive parents, completed PRIDE program	3
	Foster parents	14
	Adoptive parents	1
	Orphans placed into foster care	10
	Orphans placed into adoptive families	1
	<b>total</b>	<b>64</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Social-pedagogic center of Chausy	<b>Information campaign on alternative forms of child care development</b>	27.06.2007 - 27.06.2008 <b>Project completed</b>
<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the project is to increase the quantity of addresses of Chausy and Chausy region citizens on alternative care questions through implementation of information campaign In frames of the project it is planned to create leaflets and poster on the problem, held public awareness activities, attracting attention of the citizens	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<b>Information activities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 5 articles the local newspaper <i>Iskra</i>,</li> <li>- 6 talks on the local radio,</li> <li>- distribution of 500 posters and 800 information leaflets, dissemination of information cards about institutionalized children who need to be placed in alternative care (among workers of local enterprises),</li> <li>- public presentations at the local enterprises and public schools.</li> </ul>	
	<b>Population reached by public awareness activities:</b>	<b>10,340</b> (44% of population total)
	<b>Number of inquiries about adoption and foster care:</b>	<b>236</b> (during 12 month period before the start of the campaign - 37)

**II. Zhodino community:**

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
<b>NGO “Focus Group”</b>	<b><i>Future Without Violence and Abuse</i></b>	12.06.2007 - 12.06.2008 <b>Project completed</b>
<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the project is prevention of child abuse and neglect, creation of favorable environment for children’s and youth’s development through trainings for youth and specialists, psychological counseling provision as well as development of informational materials for them At the end of the project apart from the services established accumulated experience and developed methodology will be spread out among other specialists working on child abuse and neglect prevention in Zhodino.	
<i>Services established by present time and outputs:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Trainings for young people on parenting skills development on 2 topics were implemented</li> <li>▪ Ongoing psychological counseling for young people is being implemented</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	pupils (15-19 y.o.) of the Zhodino evening school	<b>68</b>
	Teachers from Zhodino schools	<b>30</b>
	<b>total</b>	<b>98</b>

o **ACTIVE MICRO-GRANTS contracted in 2007-2008:****I. Chausy community:**

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Educative department of Chausy Executive committee	Prevention of social orphanage through introduction of family-centered approach to institutions of child protection system.	22.02.2008 – (22.02.2009) Prolonged till 05.04.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the project is to strengthen child protection system in Chausy region. Introduced training program covers early detection of abused and neglected children, family-centered approach to assessment and investigation, case planning and case work in child protection services; the effects of abuse and neglect on child development; separation, placement, and reunification in family-centered child protective services will be introduces to the community	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	Multidisciplinary team working in child protection system	<b>38</b>
	Round table	<b>22</b>
	An article in local newspaper «Iskra»	<b>2679</b>
	Talks on local radio channel	<b>2000</b>
	<b>total</b>	<b>4739</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Educational department of Chausy executive committee	<b><i>Cross-sector cooperation on child and family protection through creation of unified informational and referral e- system</i></b>	26.03.2008 – 26.03.2009

<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the project is to strengthen cross-sector cooperation of community child protection organizations in Chausy through creation of a computer network with access to electronic data-base on disadvantaged families and children at risk
<b>OUTPUTS:</b> Purchase of equipment has been finished, network formation is in process.	

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
<b>Chausy School #1</b>	<b>Healthy me - healthy country</b> has just started	21.04.2008 – (21.01.2009) prolonged till 21.04.2009 because of project break
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of project is to improve the knowledge and skills of the schoolchildren in the sphere of HIV/AIDS, drug abuse, reproductive health through prevention activities for schoolchildren.	
<i>Planned number of beneficiaries:</i>	Schoolchildren	<b>200</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
<b>Chausy School #1</b>	<b>Children and Parents</b>	28.04.2008 - (28.04.2009) prolonged till 28.07.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the project is to spread experience of child-parenting relations in families at risk through introduction of Parenting Skills Enhancement Program and involvement of the parents to active family and school social life. Creation of Parenting Association is also foreseen at the end of the project.	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	Parents, participating in Parenting Skills Enhancement Program (including parents and from families at risk)	<b>62</b>
	Children, participating in the project	<b>55</b> (including 18 children from risk families)
	<b>total</b>	<b>117</b>

## II. Zhodino community:

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Zhodino Social-pedagogic center	<b>Education course for future foster parents</b>	06.08.07 – (06.06.08) prolonged till 06.11.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the project is to increase the quantity of foster parents in Zhodino through introduction of PRIDE program	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Public awareness activities on foster care and adoption (publications in local newspapers, information actions on local enterprises, presentations on the local radio, dissemination of children's information cards)</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	<b>Population reached by public awareness activities:</b>	
	Prospective foster and adoptive parents, completed PRIDE program	21
	Foster parents	1
	Adoptive parents	4
	Guardians	6
	Guest families	6
	Orphans placed into foster care	1
	Orphans placed into adoptive families	2
	Orphans placed under guardianship	3
	Orphans placed into guest families	4
		<b>total</b>
<i>Indirect beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	<b>Population reached by public awareness activities:</b>	
	<b>Information activities:</b> 8 articles in a local newspaper, information presentations at local enterprises, 6 presentations on the 2 local radios on local enterprises, dissemination of information cards about institutionalized children who need to be placed in alternative care (among workers of local enterprises, Doors Open Day for prospective foster and adoptive parents).	<b>27,329</b> <b>( 42% of total population: 65,000)</b>
	Individuals who contacted the appropriate state education agency for information about adoption and foster care.	<b>45</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Social-pedagogic center of Zhodino	<b>Childhood without violence</b>	06.08.2007 - 06.08.2008 Break: 06.07.08-31.08.08 Prolonged till 30.11.08

<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the project is to form understanding of inadmissibility of child abuse and neglect and raise awareness of Zhodino citizens about the services of child protection institutions through social advertising campaign In frames of the project it is planned to create leaflets, audio reel and poster on the problem, held public awareness activities, attracting attention of the citizens	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	Information activities: - 5 talks on the radio, - 4 articles in the local newspapers, - broadcasting of promotional spot on the local radio, - distribution of posters and information leaflets, - public presentations at the local enterprises and public schools.	
	<b>Population reached by public awareness activities :</b>	<b>38,640</b> (60% of population total)
	<b>Number of inquiries to the local child protection agency to inform about child abuse and neglect or to receive consultation about non-abusive parenting methods:</b>	<b>82</b> (during 12 months before the start of the campaign - 14)

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
<b>Educational department of Zhodino executive committee</b>	<b>Zhodino Social Network</b>	13.12.2007 - 13.12.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the project is to strengthen cross-sector cooperation of Zhodino child protection organizations through creation of a computer network with access to electronic data-base on disadvantaged families and children at risk	
<b>OUTPUTS:</b> Purchase of equipment has been finished, network formation is in process.		

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Social-pedagogic center of Zodino	<b>Assistance to prevention of social orphanage through creation of favorable conditions for family support, strengthening family upbringing and development of children life skills</b>	06.12.2007 – (06.12.2008) prolonged till 06.02.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the project is to assist in prevention of social orphanage through creation of favorable conditions for family support, strengthening family upbringing and development of children life skills	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	<b>Direct beneficiaries</b>	
	Multidisciplinary team working in child protection system	<b>40</b>
	<b>Indirect beneficiaries</b>	
	Round table	<b>27</b>
	Meeting in the local Department of Education	<b>35</b>
	An article in local newspaper ‘Zhodinskiya naviny’	<b>7321</b>
	<b>total</b>	<b>7423</b>

## III. Volozhin community:

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Volozhin region Social-pedagogic center	<b><i>A family for every child</i></b>	22.08.2007 – (22.08.2008) prolonged till 22.11.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal of the project is to increase the quantity of foster parents in Volozhin and Volozhin district through introduction of PRIDE program</i> <i>The project activities will be supported by implementation of public awareness campaign on foster care and adoption (creation of audio reel, posters, public awareness activities)</i>	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ PRIDE training for prospective foster and adoptive families</li> <li>▪ Public awareness activities on foster care and adoption (school meetings for parents, an article in a regional newspaper)</li> </ul>	
	Prospective foster parents, completed PRIDE program	8
	Prospective adoptive parents, completed PRIDE program	1
<i>Number of beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	Foster parents	4
	Adoptive parents	1
	Orphans placed into foster care	2
	Orphans placed into adoptive families	1
	<b>total</b>	<b>17</b>
<i>Indirect beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	<b>Population reached by public awareness activities:</b>	
	<b>Activities conducted:</b> 3 articles in a newspaper , information presentations on school meetings for parents, presentations on Education and Methodic Association, dissemination of posters	<b>21,107 (50,3% of total population: 41,950)</b>
	Individuals who contacted the appropriate state education agency for information about adoption and foster care.	<b>62</b> (during 12 months before the start of the public awareness campaign – 14)

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Social-pedagogic center of Volozhin region	<b><i>Let's say "no" to child abuse</i></b>	22.08.2007 - 22.08.2008 Break: 01.06.08-31.08.08 Prolonged: 01.09.08-22.11.08
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal of the project is to form understanding of inadmissibility of child abuse and neglect and raise awareness of Volozhin citizens about the services of child protection institutions through social advertising campaign</i> <i>In frames of the project it is planned to create leaflets, audio reel and poster on the problem, held public awareness activities, attracting attention of the citizens</i>	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<b>Information activities:</b> - 1 talk on the local radio, - 3 articles in the local newspaper <i>Pratsounaya Slava</i> ,	

	- broadcasting of promotional spot on the local radio, - distribution of posters and information leaflets, - public presentations at local enterprises and public schools.	
	<b>Population reached by public awareness activities :</b>	<b>21,900</b> (52 % of population total)
	<b>Number of inquiries to the local child protection agency to inform about child abuse and neglect or to receive consultation about non-abusive parenting methods:</b>	<b>88</b> (during 12 months before the start of the campaign - 32)

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Social-pedagogic center of Vologin	<b>Introduction of social orphanage prevention services to the work of child protection system</b>	02.11.2007 – (02.11.2008) prolonged till 02.01.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal of the project is to strengthen multidisciplinary cooperation and increase professional competence of local child protection specialists</i> <i>A training program which covers early detection of abused and neglected children, family-centered approach to assessment and investigation, case planning and case work in child protection services; the effects of abuse and neglect on child development; separation, placement, and reunification in family-centered child protective services will be introduces to the community</i>	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Training program for child protection specialists</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	<b>Direct beneficiaries</b>	
	Child protection specialists	36
	<b>Indirect beneficiaries</b>	
	Round table	20
	<b>total</b>	<b>37</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Volozhin Territorial Center for Social Support of Population	<b>We choose life (the project has just started)</b>	16.09.2008 - 16.08.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal of the project: to inform schoolchildren in Vologin about healthy life style, reproductive health, drug abuse prevention through training activity</i>	
<i>Planned number of beneficiaries:</i>	Schoolchildren	<b>185</b>

	<b>total</b>	<b>185</b>
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#### IV. Kobrin community:

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Kobrin Territorial Center of Social Support of Population	<b>Children against violence</b>	10.09.2007 - 10.07.2008 Break: 10.05.08-10.09.08 Prolonged: 10.09.08-10.11.08
<i>Brief description:</i>	<p><i>The goal</i> of the project is to form understanding of inadmissibility of child abuse and neglect and raise awareness of citizens about the services of child protection institutions through social advertising campaign in the town of Kobryn and Kobryn district</p> <p>In frames of the project it is planned to create leaflets, poster on the problem, held public awareness activities, attracting attention of the citizens, training course “Effective parenting” and family consultation, thematic telephone consultations on abuse and neglect problem</p>	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<p>Information activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 3 talks on the radio,</li> <li>- 2 articles total since the start of the campaign,</li> <li>- distribution of posters and information leaflets,</li> <li>- public presentations at the local enterprises and public schools.</li> </ul>	
	<b>Population reached by public awareness activities :</b>	<b>49,025 (56% of population total)</b>
	<b>Number of inquiries to the local child protection agency to inform about child abuse and neglect or to receive consultation about non-abusive parenting methods:</b>	<b>121</b> (during 12 month period before the start of the campaign - 65)

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Kobrin Habilitation Center for Disabled Children	<b>Family-centered approach in child protection system</b>	12.12.2007 – (12.10. 2008) prolonged till 12.12.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	<p><i>The goal</i> of the project is to strengthen child protection system in Kobrin region. The project will strengthen multidisciplinary cooperation and increase professional competence of local specialists involved in child protection through implementation of training program.</p>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	<b>Direct beneficiaries</b>	
	Multidisciplinary team working in child protection system	<b>37</b>
	<b>Indirect beneficiaries</b>	
	Round table	<b>29</b>
	An article in local newspaper ‘Kobrin INFORM’	<b>6000</b>
	<b>Total</b>	<b>6069</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
NGO “Kobrin branch of Belarusian Association of Assistance to Disabled Children and Youth”	<b>Family Support Center - 2</b>	26.12.2007 - 26.10.2008 (project break 01.07.2008-31.08.2008) prolonged till 26.12.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	<p><i>The goal</i> of the project is to prevent social orphan hood and institutionalization of disabled children through strengthening family capacity and coping skills, increasing community support and acceptance of disabled children</p> <p>Within the project it is expected to carry out joint activities of children with disabilities and their parents, to improve excess to services for children with disabilities in the region through mobile toy-library and home-based service provision, to involvement of children with disabilities who are not attending Rehabilitation center or graduated from the institution , to raise awareness through information dissemination about the project results.</p>	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Joint activities of children with disabilities and their parents</li> <li>▪ Computer courses for children with disabilities;</li> <li>▪ Respite care for children with disabilities or children graduated from the institution</li> <li>▪ Consultations on using mobile toy-library</li> <li>▪ Mobile toy-library</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of direct beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	Parents of disabled children who received consultations on using toy-library	102
	Parents of disabled children participated in joined workgroups	8
	Disabled children using Respite care, computer classes and joined activities with parents	13
	Disabled children using mobile toy-library services	16
	<i>total</i>	<b>139</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
NGO “Kobrin branch of Belarusian Association of Assistance to Disabled Children and Youth”	<b>Family Support Center - 2 Prolongation</b>	02.09.2008- 02.04.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	<p><i>The goal</i> of the project is to prevent social orphanhood and institutionalization of children with disabilities through strengthening family capacity and coping skills, increasing community support and acceptance of children with disabilities. Within the project it is expected to carry out joint activities of children with disabilities and their parents in summer camp, to improve their social adaptation through computer training program and printing workshop activities, to raise awareness through information dissemination about the project results at round table and through theater performances.</p>	
<i>Number of planned beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	Parents of children with disabilities who participated in summer camp activities	8
	children with disabilities who participated in summer camp activities	8
	Children with disabilities attending computer classes and participating in printing workshop activities	18

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
<b>Kobrin School #3</b>	<b>My Family</b>	27.05.2008- (27.05.2009) (started from

		01.09.2008) prolonged till 01.09.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the project is to spread experience of child-parenting relations in families at risk through introduction of Parenting Skills Enhancement Program and involvement of the parents to active family and school social life. The project activities will be supported by information articles in local mass media, sharing project experience among specialists working with families at risk on round tables, master class, and regional seminar. Creation of Parenting Association is also foreseen at the end of the project.	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	Parents participating in Parenting Skills Enhancement Program	<b>24</b> (including 12 parents from risk families)
	Children, participating in project activities	<b>25</b> (including 12 parents from risk families)
	<b>total</b>	<b>49</b>

#### V. Orsha community:

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Orsha Social-pedagogic center	<b>Educative program for candidates to foster parents</b>	04.10.2007 - (04.07.2008) prolonged till 30.12.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the project is to increase the quantity of foster parents in Orsha through introduction of PRIDE program	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ PRIDE training for prospective foster and adoptive families</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	Prospective foster parents, completed PRIDE program	13
	Foster parents	5
	Orphans placed into foster care	4
	<b>total</b>	<b>22</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Social-pedagogic center of Orsha	<b>Informational campaign on alternative forms of adoption of orphans</b>	04.10.2007 - 04.10.2008 Break: 01.08.08-31.08.08 Prolonged till 04.11.08
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the project is to increase awareness of Orsha region citizens on alternative care questions through implementation of information campaign In frames of the project it is planned to create video reel, leaflets and poster on the problem, held public awareness activities, attracting attention of the citizens	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ <b>Information activities:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 7 articles the local newspaper <i>Arshanskaya Gazeta</i>,</li> <li>- broadcasting of promotional spot on the local TV channel <i>Skif</i>,</li> <li>- distribution of posters and information leaflets,</li> <li>- public presentations at the local enterprises and public schools.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	<b>Population reached by public awareness activities:</b>	100,000 (71% of population total)
	<b>Number of inquiries about adoption and foster care:</b>	<b>97</b> (during 12 month period before the start of the campaign - 20)

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Social-pedagogic center of Orsha	<b>Assistance to prevention of social orphanage through creation of favorable conditions for family support, strengthening family upbringing and development of children life skills</b>	19.10.2007 – (19.10.2008) prolonged till 19.12.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the project is to strengthen multidisciplinary cooperation and increase professional competence of local child protection specialists A training program which covers early detection of abused and neglected children, family-centered approach to assessment and investigation, case planning and case work in child protection services; the effects of abuse and neglect on child development; separation, placement, and reunification in family-centered child protective services will be introduced to the community.	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Training program for child protection specialists</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	<b>Direct beneficiaries</b>	
	Child protection specialists	40
	<b>Indirect beneficiaries</b>	
	Round table	18
	Meeting in the local Department of Education	63
	An article in local newspaper “Arshanskaya gazeta”	8196
	<b>total</b>	<b>8 317</b>
<b>OUTCOMES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As a result of the training an investigation of child abuse and neglect was initiated by the participant of the program;</li> <li>• Multidisciplinary team was involved in decision making about the situations of child abuse and neglect.</li> <li>• According to the questionnaire the trained specialists use the acquired at trainings skills and knowledge on child abuse and neglect investigation and rehabilitation in their work.</li> </ul>	

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Orsha School #20	<b>Development of preventive services to strengthen family capacity and to prevent child abuse and neglect</b>	04.10.2007 - (04.10.2008) (project break 01.07 - 31.08.2008) prolonged till 04.12. 2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the project is prevention of child abuse and neglect, creation of favorable environment for strengthening family capacity through implementation of programs for the risk group families It is planned to strengthen the risk families’ capacity by means of Parenting Skills Enhancement Program implementation in kindergartens #1, 3 and joined activities such as thematic photo-exhibition and actions for the families, who completed this program.	

	Within the project framework it is expected to raise public awareness towards the problem of child abuse and neglect through conduction of public events, thematic leaflets, round tables.	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Parenting skills enhancement program</li> <li>▪ Playgroup activity for typical children and children at risk</li> <li>▪ Public awareness activities on prevention of child abuse and neglect on working places for the workers of local enterprises</li> </ul>	
	<b>Direct beneficiaries</b>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	Parents, participating in Parenting Skills Enhancement Program	<b>90</b> (including 22 parents from risk families)
	Children, participating the project	<b>58</b> (including 22 children from risk families)
	<b>total</b>	<b>148</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
<b>Orsha School #20</b>	<b>Parents and Children – a way to each other</b>	(26.05.2008-26.05.2009) start from 1.09.2008 prolonged till 01.09.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal of the project is to spread experience of child-parenting relations in families at risk through introduction of Parenting Skills Enhancement Program and involvement of the parents to active family and school social life, dissemination of positive experience of work with a family. The project activities will be supported by information leaflet about family relations, sharing project experience among project' partners and specialists working with families at risk on round tables. Creation of Parenting Association is also foreseen at the end of the project.</i>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>		<b>24</b> (including 14 parents from risk families)
		<b>24</b> (including 14 children from risk families)
	<b>total</b>	<b>48</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Educational department of Orsha executive committee	<b>Creation of network database on child protection in Orsha</b>	26.10.2007 - 26.10.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the project is to strengthen cross-sector cooperation of community child protection organizations in Orsha through creation of a computer network with access to electronic data-base on disadvantaged families and children at risk	
<b>OUTPUTS:</b>		
Purchase and installation of equipment has been finished and network formation is in process.		

### VI. Projects implemented in more than one community:

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
NGO "Radislava"	<b>Community Services to prevent domestic violence</b>	27.08.2007 - 31.10.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	<p><i>The goal</i> of the project is to facilitate service development for victims of domestic violence through training program for specialists from Kobrin, Zhodino, Orsha, Volozhin and Chausy.</p> <p>Project <b>objectives are</b>: Training of the staff working with victims of domestic violence, development of information materials and web-site on the problem of domestic violence, issuing information bulletins on project implementation, and a Manual on services provision for domestic violence victims.</p>	
<i>Project locations:</i>	Zhodino, Orsha, Kobrin, Chausy, Volozhin	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Training program for the specialists of Territorial Centers of Social Support of Population and Social-pedagogic centers on creation and work of Support Service as a form of assistance for victims of domestic violence</li> <li>▪ Public awareness activities (TV and radio programs, thematic articles, Information leaflets) on Support service as a form of assistance for women and children suffered from violence</li> <li>▪ Hotline Counseling</li> <li>▪ Individual Consultations</li> </ul>	
	Hotline Counseling	321
	Individual Consultations	139
<i>Number of beneficiaries and outputs:</i>	Specialists of Territorial Centers of Social Support of Population and Social-pedagogic centers participated in trainings	7
	<b>Total number of direct beneficiaries</b>	<b>467</b>
	<b>Population reached by public awareness activities</b> (articles in local and national newspapers, talks on local and national TV and radio channels, meetings on local enterprises):	414219
	Dissemination of Information leaflets on the problem and Support Service availability in the communities	5100
	<b>Total number of indirect beneficiaries:</b>	<b>419319</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
National NGO "Mothers against Drugs"	<b>"A Way to Recovery - 2"</b>	19.10.2007 - 19.10.2008
<i>Brief description:</i>	<p><i>The goal</i> of the project is to decrease risk of institutionalization of children through involvement of alcohol addictive parents to 12- step program Within the project self-support groups for alcohol-addicted parents and their co-dependant relatives, individual consultations, methodological support to the groups leaders will be provided.</p>	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Continuation of Self-help groups for alcohol addicted parents in Orsha, Zhodino, Kobrin communities. A new group in Volozhin was created;</li> <li>▪ Continuation of Self-help groups for co-dependant relatives in Orsha, Zhodino, Kobrin communities. A new group in Volozhin was created;</li> <li>▪ Creation of video and library for methodological support of the groups;</li> <li>▪ Psychological counseling for addicted persons and their relatives;</li> <li>▪ Hot-line consultations for alcohol addicted and co-dependant ;</li> <li>▪ Interventions to families with high risk of losing their children due to child abuse and neglect.</li> </ul>	

<i>Project locations:</i>	Zhodino, Orsha, Kobrin, Volozhin		
<i>Number of direct beneficiaries:</i>		4 self-help groups for alcohol addicted	44
		4 self-help groups for co-dependant relatives	53
		Psychological counseling	159
		Hotline consultations	190
		<b>total</b>	<b>446</b>

### VII. Innovative projects

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>	
Belarusian Children's Hospice	<b><i>Upbringing of a «special» child in a family</i></b>	01.04.2008 - 01.01.2009	
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal of the innovative project to develop empathy, attachment and improve social adaptation of young parents who have children with disabilities through provision of medical, psychological and social support. The target group includes 46 families (parents' age is 18-30 y.o.) who have 30 disabled children 0-5 y.o. living in Minsk and Minsk region, as well as 16 families (parents' age is 18-30 y.o.) who have 16 disabled children 0-5 y.o. from Pinsk. The project is being implemented in collaboration with Pinsk Children's Hospice. The project activities include training program for parents on medical skills and family relations, individual psychological and law consultations within Parent's Club, and seminars for specialists on particularities of medical, psychological, social support of families with children with disabilities .</i>		
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home visiting of families with children with disabilities</li> <li>• Parent's Club</li> <li>• Seminars for specialists on psychological support of families with children with disabilities</li> </ul>		
<i>Project locations:</i>	Minsk, Pinsk		
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>		Parents who have children with disabilities	78
		Specialists working with families with children with disabilities	42
		Children with disabilities	41
		<b>total</b>	<b>161</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
<b>NGO "Penitentiary Health"</b>	<b><i>Social rehabilitation of children from prison's Baby House and their mothers</i></b>	26.05.2008 - 26.05.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal of the innovative project to develop and introduce a program of social rehabilitation for children from prison's Baby House and their mothers. The project is implemented in partnership with Belarus Department of Penalty Execution and Colony #4 of Gomel region.</i>	
<i>Project location:</i>	Gomel	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Life skills training program for women servicing a sentence in Gomel Colony</li> <li>• Joint play group activities for imprisoned mothers and their children from a baby house of the prison</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	Children from a baby house of the prison	<b>15</b>

	Their mothers, who are servicing a sentence in Gomel Colony	<b>50</b>
	<b>total</b>	<b>65</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
<b>Smorgon Social Pedagogic Center</b>	<b>First steps of motherhood</b> – the project has just started	(27.05.2008 27.03.2009) start from 01.09.2008- prolonged till 01.07.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the innovative project is to develop empathy, attachment and parenting skills among mothers of children from 0-3 y. o. from disadvantaged families and their children, and expectant mothers through implementation of rehabilitation services.	
<i>Project location:</i>	Smorgon	
<i>Planned number of beneficiaries:</i>	Mothers from disadvantaged families	<b>40</b>
	0-3 y. o. children	<b>40</b>
	Expectant mothers	<b>25</b>

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
<b>NGO Belarusian public union of riding and ippotherapy</b>	<b>Lucky horseshoe</b>	21.05.2008 - 21.02.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	The goal of the innovative project to integrate children 3-14 y. o. with disabilities and teenagers – inmates of boarding schools from Minsk and Minsk region through rehabilitation trainings on hippo therapy method of Pat Parelli “Natural Horsemanship”.	
<i>Project locations:</i>	Minsk	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rehabilitation services on “Natural Horsemanship” method for children with disabilities</li> <li>• Trainings on hippo therapy method of Pat Parelli “Natural Horsemanship” for teenagers from boarding schools</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	Children wit disabilities	<b>7</b>
	Children from boarding schools	<b>7</b>
	<b>total</b>	<b>14</b>

<b>NGO BelAPDI MI “Belarusian Association of Assistance to Disabled Children and Youth”</b>	<b>Family for every child</b>	17.04.2008 - 17.04.2009
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<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the innovative project is to develop the system of prevention of child with disabilities' refuse and institutionalization in Republic center "Mother and Child" and Minsk maternity hospital #2.	
<i>Project locations:</i>	Minsk	
<i>Services established by present time:</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legal consultations for families with children with disabilities</li> <li>• Accompanying families with children with disabilities</li> <li>• Seminars for specialists on support of families with children with disabilities</li> </ul>	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	Parents of children with disabilities	<b>85</b>
	Specialists from health care, education and social protection institutions	<b>98</b>
	<i>total</i>	

### VIII. Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention programs

<i>Grantee Name:</i>	<i>Project name:</i>	<i>Project duration:</i>
Smorgon regional creativity center for youth	<b>We choose health</b>	01.04.2008 - 01.01.2009
<i>Brief description:</i>	<i>The goal</i> of the project: to inform schoolchildren in Smorgon about healthy life style , reproductive health, drug abuse prevention , through training activity	
<i>Number of beneficiaries:</i>	Schoolchildren	<b>30</b>
	Teachers	<b>15</b>
	<i>total</i>	<b>45</b>

**ANNEX 2: CCF-Belarus “Community Services to Vulnerable Groups”: a USAID funded project**

**DEINSTITUTIONALIZATION OF ORPHANS IN BELARUS**

**BASELINE AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS\***

**Report covers Year 3 of the project implementation**

	Indicator	Definition & Unit of Measure	Community	Baseline		Planned Targets	Achieved Targets	Planned Targets	Achieved Targets	Planned Targets	Achieved Targets
				Year	Value	2006	2006	2007	2007	2008	Year 3
	<b>Overall project impact</b>	<b>Prevention of institutionalization in selected communities of Belarus by supporting a cultural environment conducive to at-home family care and removal of children out of institutions into less restrictive environments when prior circumstances necessitate removal from their family home.</b>									
I	Number of children using alternative care	Number of children using alternative care as a result of community based prevention and rehabilitation services initiated by the project	Zhodino	2005	335	340	561	99	97	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>
			Orsha							<b>23</b>	<b>10</b>
			Kobrin							<b>15</b>	<b>9</b>
			Chausy	2006	126	n/a	n/a	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>		
			Volozhin		85	n/a	n/a	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>		
			<b>TOTAL:</b>		546	340	561	660	658	<b>725</b>	<b>713</b>
II	# of children returned to biological family	Number of children returned to biological family from shelters as a result of community based prevention and rehabilitation services initiated by the project	Zhodino	2005	125	130	101	19	27	<b>30</b>	<b>23</b>
			Orsha							<b>50</b>	<b>42</b>
			Kobrin							<b>30</b>	<b>39</b>
			Chausy	2006	16	n/a	n/a	<b>45</b>	<b>25</b>		
			Volozhin		35	n/a	n/a	<b>30</b>	<b>19</b>		
			<b>TOTAL:</b>		176	130	101	120	126	<b>185</b>	<b>148</b>
III	Ratio of institutionalized children	Percentage of institutionalized children after being sheltered	Zhodino	2005	6% (2 of 40)	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>4% (2 of 50)</b>	<b>2%</b>	<b>0% (0 of 26)</b>
			Orsha		30% (25 of 84)	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>28% (23 of 81)</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>16,1% (15 of 93)</b>
			Kobrin		22% (11 of 49)	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>13% (6 of 49)</b>	<b>9%</b>	<b>6,2% (4 of 64)</b>
			Chausy	2006	2,3% (1 of 43)	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>1,4% (1 of 73)</b>	<b>0%</b>	<b>0% (0 of 43)</b>

			Volozhin		16% (13 of 77)	n/a	n/a	n/a	12% (6 of 50)	9%	9,3% (3 of 32)
1	<b>Objective 1</b>	<b>To improve access to and further develop an integrated system of community-based prevention and rehabilitation services for families as well as institutionalized and at-risk children</b>									
1.0.	Number of children (sex-disaggregated) that have been meaningfully served	Number of vulnerable children who received one or more need-based services on a regular/long-term basis	Zhodino	2005	n/a	n/a	44 (25m/19f)	300	428 (235m/193f)	350	494 (295m-199f)
			Orsha	2005	n/a	n/a	30 (17m/13f)	250	424 (203m/221f)	372	329 (175m-154f)
			Kobrin	2005	n/a	n/a	97 (58m/39f)	250	603 (317m/286f)	603	293 (171m-122f)
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5 (0m/5f)	220	447 (242m-205f)
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	40 (22m/18f)	175	228 (117m-111f)
			Other com-ties							250	100 (49m-51f)
		<b>Sub-total</b>					<b>171</b>	<b>800</b>	<b>1500</b>	<b>1970</b>	<b>1891 (1049m-842f)</b>
1.1.	Number of visits of community members including families, orphans, and children at risk for new prevention and rehabilitation services	Number of visits by target groups for new community based prevention and rehabilitation services that appeared during the period of CCF project implementation	Zhodino	2005	n/a	0	44	200	2529	4300	9283
			Orsha	2005	n/a	35	45	200	3899	4500	7011
			Kobrin	2005	33	150	191	200	3334	5000	7742
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	480	2500	4166
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	4	2500	4461
			Other com-ties							2200	3635
		<b>Sub-total</b>			<b>33</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>10246</b>	<b>21000</b>	<b>36298</b>
1.2.	Number of visits	Number of visits by	Zhodino	2005	n/a	0	8	200	714	797	872

	by children and adolescents with disabilities for new education and social services	children, adolescents with disabilities, including related visits by their caretakers, for new education and social services that appeared in communities during the period CCF project implementation	Orsha	2005	n/a	0	9	150	129	<b>155</b>	<b>110</b>
			Kobrin	2005	n/a	40	128	200	591	<b>500</b>	<b>719</b>
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	40	12	<b>35</b>	<b>115</b>
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	40	4	<b>35</b>	<b>67</b>
			Other com-ties							<b>40</b>	<b>1030</b>
		<b>Sub-total</b>			<b>40</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>1450</b>	<b>1562</b>	<b>2913</b>	
1.3.	Number of community-based services provided in targeted communities	Number of community-based services by type provided in targeted communities	Zhodino	2005	20	20	22	27	42	<b>44</b>	<b>43</b>
			Orsha	2005	21	21	22	28	35	<b>37</b>	<b>39</b>
			Kobrin	2005	21	21	25	28	40	<b>46</b>	<b>48</b>
			Chausy	2006	20	n/a	n/a	25	24	<b>31</b>	<b>32</b>
			Volozhin	2006	20	n/a	n/a	25	22	<b>33</b>	<b>36</b>
		<b>Sub-total</b>			<b>102</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>163</b>	<b>191</b>	<b>223</b>
1.4.	Number of orphaned children enrolled in life skills development programs.	Number of orphaned children enrolled in life skills development programs as a result of the project.	Zhodino	2005	n/a	0	0	150	251	<b>150</b>	<b>244</b>
			Orsha	2005	n/a	0	0	150	141	<b>45</b>	<b>214</b>
			Kobrin	2005	n/a	40	12	200	220	<b>130</b>	<b>186</b>
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	20	n/a	<b>90</b>	<b>113</b>
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	30	40	<b>65</b>	<b>154</b>
		<b>Sub-total</b>			<b>40</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>550</b>	<b>652</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>911</b>	
1.5.	% of enrolled orphaned children reporting improvements of specific knowledge and skills related to trainings topic.	Percentage of participants reporting improvements of specific knowledge and skills related to trainings topic.	Zhodino	2005	0	n/a	n/a	55%	92%	<b>85%</b>	<b>86%</b>
			Orsha	2005	0	n/a	n/a	55%	91%	<b>85%</b>	<b>91%</b>
			Kobrin	2005	0	n/a	n/a	55%	84%	<b>85%</b>	<b>84%</b>
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>85%</b>	<b>88%</b>
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	55%	63%	<b>85%</b>	<b>80%</b>
		<b>Sub-total</b>					<b>55%</b>	<b>83%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>86%</b>	
1.6.	Community-based electronic system for better surveillance of	Community-based electronic surveillance system that provides structured and valid	Zhodino	2005	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
			Orsha	2005	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
			Kobrin	2005	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>

	families at risk and vulnerable children	information to specialists dealing with the issues of families at risk and vulnerable children	Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	0	
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	0	
		<b>Sub-total</b>								<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	
1.7.	Number of community child protection organizations/ services integrated into the community-based electronic surveillance system	Number of community based organizations and services for families at risk, orphans and vulnerable children, which are integrated into the community-based electronic surveillance system in their work	Zhodino	2005	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	0	
			Orsha	2005	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	0	
			Kobrin	2005	0	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	0	
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	0	
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	5	0	
		<b>Sub-total</b>								<b>25</b>	<b>0</b>	
1.8.	Number of Community Advisory Boards established in project targeted communities	Number of Community Advisory Boards established in project targeted communities. Community Advisory Boards will include variety of community stakeholders including authorities, specialists, parents and youth.	Zhodino	2005	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
			Orsha	2005	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
			Kobrin	2005	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	1	1	1	1
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	1	1	1	1
		<b>Sub-total</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	
1.9.	Number of community members participated in Community Advisory Boards work	Number of community stakeholders participated in Community Advisory Boards work. Community Advisory Boards will include variety of community stakeholders including authorities, specialists, parents and youth.	Zhodino	2005	0	5	13	7	13	10	13	
			Orsha	2005	0	5	9	7	14	10	14	
			Kobrin	2005	0	5	8	7	8	8	8	
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	7	10	10	10	
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	7	15	10	15	
		<b>Sub-total</b>			<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>60</b>	

2	<b>Objective 2</b>	<b>To improve the quality of training and education available to social service providers and awareness of community members surrounding the development of favorable family environments for children</b>									
2.0.	Number of both the individuals and organizations assisted by OVC project to increase their technical capacity/ability to advocate for/provide services to vulnerable children	Number of individuals and organizations assisted by OVC project that received need-based equipment and/or attended educational events that directly filled in the identified gaps and made it possible for them to apply the acquired knowledge and skills to advocate for/provide services to vulnerable children	Zhodino	2005	n/a	n/a	36 (0m/36f)/9orgs	15 people/12 org	66 (2m/64f)/22orgs	<b>72spec/24org</b>	<b>141 (8m-133f) spec/38org</b>
			Orsha	2005	n/a	n/a	34 (1m/33f)/13orgs	25 people/13 org	39 (3m/36f)/15orgs	<b>70spec/17org</b>	<b>123 (11m-112f) spec/43org</b>
			Kobrin	2005	n/a	n/a	82 (6m/76f)/12orgs	25 people/12 org	39 (3m/36f)/14orgs	<b>69spec/14org</b>	<b>117 (9m-108f) spec/37org</b>
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	40 people/10 org	41 (0m/41f)/11orgs	<b>68spec/13org</b>	<b>119 (2m-117f) spec/9org</b>
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	40 people/9 org	46 (3m/43f)/10orgs	<b>61spec/12org</b>	<b>103 (7m-96f) spec/16org</b>

			Other com-ties	2008	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	10spec/ 10org	187 (15m- 172f) spec/ 26org
		<b>Sub-total</b>					<b>152 / 34</b>	<b>145 / 56</b>	<b>231 / 73</b>	<b>350/ 90</b>	<b>790/ 169</b>
2.1.	Ratio of participants reporting improvements of specific knowledge and skills related to trainings topic.	Percentage of participants reporting improvements of specific knowledge and skills related to trainings topic.	Zhodino	2005	0	85%	85%	85%	100%	<b>85%</b>	<b>95%</b>
			Orsha	2005	0	85%	91%	85%	90%	<b>85%</b>	<b>97%</b>
			Kobrin	2005	0	85%	89%	85%	90%	<b>85%</b>	<b>100%</b>
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	85%	95%	<b>85%</b>	<b>80%</b>
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	85%	93%	<b>85%</b>	<b>74%</b>
			Other com-ties	2008	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>85%</b>	<b>97%</b>
		<b>Sub-total</b>				<b>85%</b>	<b>88%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>94%</b>	<b>85%</b>	<b>91%</b>
2.2.	Ratio of participants reporting practical use of obtained knowledge and skills in services for family and children.	Percentage of specialists – training participants reporting practical use of obtained knowledge and skills in services for family and children.	Zhodino	2005	0	n/a	n/a	70%	70%	<b>60%</b>	<b>80%</b>
			Orsha	2005	0	n/a	n/a	70%	72%	<b>60%</b>	<b>80%</b>
			Kobrin	2005	0	n/a	n/a	70%	64%	<b>60%</b>	<b>84%</b>
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	70%	66%	<b>60%</b>	<b>66%</b>
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	70%	63%	<b>60%</b>	<b>57%</b>
			Other com-ties	2008	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	<b>60%</b>	<b>47%</b>
		<b>Sub-total</b>					<b>70%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>60%</b>	<b>62%</b>	
2.3.	Number of community members reached through public awareness events/ actions, publications and outlets.	Estimated amount of audience of public awareness events/ publications. CCF will calculate this amount using distribution lists records, number of copies of publication distributed.	Zhodino	2005	0	n/a	6471	20000	6000	<b>20000</b>	<b>38640</b>
			Orsha	2005	0	n/a	473	20000	5000	<b>20000</b>	<b>100000</b>
			Kobrin	2005	0	n/a	177	20000	18000	<b>20000</b>	<b>49025</b>
			Chausy	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	3000	n/a	<b>3000</b>	<b>10340</b>
			Volozhin	2006	n/a	n/a	n/a	10000	n/a	<b>10000</b>	<b>21900</b>
					<b>Sub-total</b>				<b>7121</b>	<b>73000</b>	<b>29000</b>

3	<b>Objective 3</b>	<b>To provide technical assistance to the Belarus Ministry of Education (MOE) in order to strengthen the national regulatory and methodological base promoting de-institutionalization and to disseminate key learning's of the project throughout Belarus to build a foundation for replication and sustainability</b>									
3.1.	Number of the regulatory and methodological documents/ standards/ criteria developed.	Number of the regulatory and methodological documents/ standards/ developed by the Technical Assistance Task Group.		2005	0	n/a	1	1	1	1	<b>2</b>
3.2.	Action Plan.	Action Plan, which is elaborated and agreed with project stakeholders and partners as a common framework for incorporation of developed documents into the practice.		2005	0	n/a	1	1	1	1	<b>1</b>
3.3.	Number of stakeholders reached through project's dissemination and replication activities.	Estimated number of stakeholders reached through project's dissemination and replication activities in targeted local communities and national wide.		2005	0	25	56	100	<b>321</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>315</b>

\* See comments to PMP Table in additional attachment "Comments to PMP of OVC Project"

## Annex 3: Comments to PMP of OVC Project

Report covers time period of Year 3 of the Project (October 2007-September 2008)

### *Project Overall Impact*

#### *Indicator I. Number of children using alternative care*

Indicator I measures the number of orphans and sheltered children who use alternative care (foster families, guardianship, adoption).

In Year 3 sixteen children from five target communities – Zhodino-9, Orsha-10, and Kobrin-9, Chausy-14, and Volozhin-13 - were using alternative care as a result of community-based prevention and rehabilitation services initiated by the project. The total number of those who enjoy alternative care including previous periods is **713**. There are two communities showing lower than expected results – Kobrin and Orsha.

The situation in Kobrin is explained by the fact that there is currently no PRIDE course that prepares alternative families because the project containing this training course in Kobrin has got the official registration only recently.

The progress in Orsha is hindered by bureaucratic approach of Orsha child protection department decision makers who uncompromisingly stick to formal regulations and procedures.

#### *Indicator II. Number of children returned to biological family*

In Year 3 the number of children from 5 target communities who were returned to biological family as a result of community based prevention and rehabilitation services initiated by the project is **148**: Zhodino-23, Orsha-42, and Kobrin-39, Chausy-25, and Volozhin-19.

The data received demonstrates the following picture:

Values for the indicator were set from the experience that OVC project interventions ensure about 60% of children from the shelters to be taken back to biological families. The same per cent of children from the shelters taken back to biological families has been achieved in Year 3. But in Year 3 the situation with sheltered children in the targeted communities improved and fewer children were taken to and kept in the shelters.

By numbers the Indicator values were not reached in the communities except for Kobrin. But by percent the Indicator values are low only in Orsha.

The tendency is demonstrated by the table below:

Community	# of children in shelters in Year 2	Planned Indicator values for Year 3	%		# of children in shelters in Year 3	Achieved Indicator values in Year 3	%
Zhodino	50	30	60%		26	23	88%
Orsha	81	50	62%		93	42	45%
Kobrin	49	30	61%		64	39	61%
Chausy	73	45	62%		43	25	58%
Volozhin	50	30	60%		32	19	59%

The situation in Orsha is explained by the high number of children – 30 kids – who were taken to the shelter at the end of Year 3 of OVC project and the decision on their future placement is not defined by the Commission yet. This case influences the Indicator value and can lower it significantly.

*Indicator III. Ratio of children prevented from being institutionalized*

The indicator shows the percentage of institutionalized children after being sheltered. During Year 3 the per cent by targeted communities is as follows: Zhodino-0%, Orsha-16,1%, Kobrin-6,2%, Chausy-0%, and Volozhin-9,3%.

Compared to the planned targets the indicator is improved in Zhodino, Orsha, Kobrin, and is equal to planned in Chausy and Volozhin.

**Objective 1**

*Indicator 1.0. Number of children (sex-disaggregated) that have been meaningfully served.*

**a) Zhodino**

In Year 3 due to the services started in the community within CCF-supported project **494** children (295 boys and 199 girls) received one or more need-based services on a regular/long-term basis. The planned value for the indicator is 350.

**b) Orsha**

In Year 3 due to the services started in the community within CCF-supported project **329** children (175 boys and 154 girls) received one or more need-based services on a regular/long-term basis. The planned value for the indicator is 372. The reached value is lower but it will be covered by the children served in CCF-supported small grants that have just started due to long time of official registration and will be reported in the next PMP.

**c) Kobrin**

In Year 3 due to the services started in the community within CCF-supported project **293** children (171 boys and 122 girls) received one or more need-based services on a regular/long-term basis. The planned value for the indicator is 603. The reached value is lower but it will be covered by the children served in CCF-supported small grants that have just started due to long time of official registration and will be reported in the next PMP.

**d) Chausy**

In Year 3 due to the services started in the community within CCF-supported project **447** children (242 boys and 205 girls) received one or more need-based services on a regular/long-term basis. The planned value for the indicator is 220.

**e) Volozhin**

In Year 3 due to the services started in the community within CCF-supported project **228** children (117 boys and 111 girls) received one or more need-based services on a regular/long-term basis. The planned value for the indicator is 175.

**f) Other communities**

In Year 3 within CCF-supported project new services started to be provided in other communities. They are Minsk, Pinsk, Smorgon, and Gomel. **100** children (49 boys and 51 girls) received one or more need-based services on a regular/long-term basis. The planned value for the indicator is 250. The reached value is lower but it will be covered by the children served in CCF-supported small grants that have just started due to long time of official registration and will be reported in the next PMP.

The table below demonstrates the situation with the children that have been meaningfully served:

Indicator	Definition & Unit of Measure	Community	Period			
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				Total Individuals	Male	Female
Number of children (sex-disaggregated) that have been meaningfully served	Number of vulnerable children who received one or more need-based services on a regular/long-term basis*	Zhodino	Year 3	<b>494</b>	295	199
		Orsha	Year 3	<b>329</b>	175	154
		Kobrin	Year 3	<b>293</b>	171	122
		Chausy	Year 3	<b>447</b>	242	205
		Volozhin	Year 3	<b>228</b>	117	111
		Other	Year 3	<b>100</b>	49	51
		<b>Total</b>			<b>1891</b>	<b>1049</b>

*Indicator 1.1. Number of visits by community members including families, orphans, and children at risk for new prevention and rehabilitation services.*

**a) Zhodino**

In Year 3 parents and children of the community enjoyed the following prevention and rehabilitation services:

Service	Visits by families (parents)	Visits by children	Total visits
Long-term Parenting Course	<b>416</b>	<b>414</b>	<b>9283</b>
Life skills program - long-term training course		<b>302</b>	
Life skills program - visiting social apartment		<b>4800</b>	
Life skills for vulnerable		<b>120</b>	
Alternative forms of children care – PRIDE training course by local trainers for prospective foster and adoptive parents, and children placed in foster and adoptive families as a result	<b>153</b>	<b>10</b>	
Computer course for children with disabilities (sensor screen and visible speech)		<b>720</b>	
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for children with disabilities		<b>53</b>	
Special ergo-therapeutic treatment		<b>4</b>	
Family Values Club		<b>776</b>	
Day care for children with disabilities		<b>8</b>	
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities		<b>87</b>	
Self-help groups for alcohol-addicted parents and co-dependants	<b>1360</b>		
Care for victims of domestic violence	<b>60</b>		

**b) Orsha**

In Year 3 parents and children of the community enjoyed the following prevention and rehabilitation services:

Service	Visits by families (parents)	Visits by children	Total visits
Long-term Parenting Course	<b>1054</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>7011</b>
Life skills program - visiting social apartment		<b>1752</b>	
Life skills for vulnerable		<b>1395</b>	
Alternative forms of children care – PRIDE training course by local trainers for prospective foster and adoptive parents, and children placed in foster and adoptive families as a result	<b>45</b>	<b>4</b>	
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for children with disabilities		<b>16</b>	
Special ergo-therapeutic treatment		<b>4</b>	
Day care for children with disabilities		<b>9</b>	
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities		<b>81</b>	
Self-help groups for alcohol-addicted parents and co-dependants	<b>2010</b>		
Care for victims of domestic violence	<b>5</b>		

**c) Kobrin**

In Year 3 parents and children of the community enjoyed the following prevention and rehabilitation services:

Service	Visits by families (parents)	Visits by children	Total visits
Long-term Parenting Course	<b>488</b>	<b>608</b>	<b>7742</b>
Life skills program - long-term training course		<b>480</b>	
Life skills program - visiting social apartment		<b>3312</b>	
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for children with disabilities		<b>44</b>	
Special ergo-therapeutic treatment		<b>4</b>	
Kobrin BelAPDI services for the children with disabilities	<b>1100</b>	<b>390</b>	
Day care for children with disabilities		<b>8</b>	
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities		<b>123</b>	

Respite care	<b>150</b>	<b>150</b>	
Self-help groups for alcohol-addicted parents and co-dependants	<b>860</b>		
Care for victims of domestic violence	<b>25</b>		

**d) Chausy**

In Year 3 parents and children of the community enjoyed the following prevention and rehabilitation services:

Service	Visits by families (parents)	Visits by children	Total visits
Long-term Parenting Course	<b>960</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>4166</b>
Life skills program - long-term training course		<b>216</b>	
Life skills program - visiting social apartment		<b>984</b>	
Life skills for vulnerable		<b>148</b>	
Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention long-term Course		<b>850</b>	
Alternative forms of children care – PRIDE training course by local trainers for prospective foster and adoptive parents, and children placed in foster and adoptive families as a result	<b>135</b>	<b>11</b>	
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for disabled		<b>75</b>	
Day care for children with disabilities		<b>7</b>	
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities		<b>33</b>	
Self-help groups for alcohol-addicted parents and co-dependants	<b>1360</b>		
Care for victims of domestic violence	<b>3</b>		

**e) Volozhin**

In Year 3 parents and children of the community enjoyed the following prevention and rehabilitation services:

Service	Visits by families (parents)	Visits by children	Total visits
Long-term Parenting Course	<b>376</b>	<b>480</b>	<b>4461</b>
Life skills program - long-term training course		<b>1000</b>	
Life skills program - visiting social apartment		<b>2256</b>	
Alternative forms of children care – PRIDE training course by local trainers for prospective foster and	<b>45</b>	<b>3</b>	

adoptive parents, and children placed in foster and adoptive families as a result		
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for children with disabilities		<b>34</b>
Day care for children with disabilities		<b>7</b>
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities		<b>18</b>
Self-help groups for alcohol-addicted parents and co-dependants	<b>230</b>	
Care for victims of domestic violence	<b>12</b>	

#### **f) Other communities**

In Year 3 parents and children from other communities enjoyed the following prevention and rehabilitation services:

Service	Visits by families (parents)	Visits by children	Total visits
Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention long-term Course (Smorgon)		<b>150</b>	<b>3635</b>
Care for children of imprisoned mothers (Gomel)	<b>100</b>	<b>15</b>	
Hippo Therapy for children with disabilities (Minsk)		<b>210</b>	
Home-based care for children with disabilities (Minsk, Pinsk)	<b>1560</b>	<b>820</b>	
Care for mothers with newly-born kids with disabilities (Minsk)	<b>425</b>		
Care for victims of domestic violence (Minsk)	<b>355</b>		

*Indicator 1.2. Number of visits by children and adolescents with disabilities for new educational and social services.*

#### **a) Zhodino**

In Year 3 children and adolescents with disabilities in the community enjoyed the following educational and social services that appeared during the period CCF project implementation:

Service	Visits by disabled children	Total visits
Computer course for children with disabilities	<b>720</b>	<b>872</b>
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for children with disabilities	<b>53</b>	
Special ergo-therapeutic treatment	<b>4</b>	
Day care for children with disabilities	<b>8</b>	
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities	<b>87</b>	

**b) Orsha**

In Year 3 children and adolescents with disabilities in the community enjoyed the following educational and social services that appeared during the period CCF project implementation:

Service	Visits by disabled children	Total visits
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for children with disabilities	<b>16</b>	<b>110</b>
Special ergo-therapeutic treatment	<b>4</b>	
Day care for children with disabilities	<b>9</b>	
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities	<b>81</b>	

**c) Kobrin**

In Year 3 children and adolescents with disabilities in the community enjoyed the following educational and social services that appeared during the period CCF project implementation:

Service	Visits by disabled children	Total visits
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for children with disabilities	<b>44</b>	<b>719</b>
Special ergo-therapeutic treatment	<b>4</b>	
Kobrin BelAPDI	<b>390</b>	
Day care for children with disabilities	<b>8</b>	
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities	<b>123</b>	
Respite care	<b>150</b>	

**d) Chausy**

In Year 3 children and adolescents with disabilities in the community enjoyed the following educational and social services that appeared during the period CCF project implementation:

Service	Visits by disabled children	Total visits
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for disabled	<b>75</b>	<b>115</b>
Day care for children with disabilities	<b>7</b>	
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities	<b>33</b>	

**d) Volozhin**

In Year 3 children and adolescents with disabilities in the community enjoyed the following educational and social services that appeared during the period CCF project implementation:

Service	Visits by disabled children	Total visits
Toy Library - regular use special set of toys for disabled	<b>34</b>	<b>67</b>
Day care for children with disabilities	<b>7</b>	
Volunteer Activities for children with disabilities	<b>26</b>	

**f) Other communities**

In Year 3 children and adolescents with disabilities from other communities – Minsk, Pinsk - enjoyed the following educational and social services that appeared during the period CCF project implementation:

Service	Visits by disabled children	Total visits
Hippo Therapy for the disabled children (Minsk)	<b>210</b>	<b>1030</b>
Home-based care for the disabled (Minsk, Pinsk)	<b>820</b>	

*Indicator 1.3. Number of community-based services provided in targeted communities.*

**a) Zhodino**

Current value of the indicator is **43** types of services.

**b) Orsha**

Current value of the indicator is **39** types of services.

**c) Kobrin**

Current value of the indicator is **48** types of services.

**d) Chausy**

Current value of the indicator is **32** types of services.

**e) Volozhin**

Current value of the indicator is **36** types of services.

**f) Other communities**

Current value of the indicator is **25** types of services.

Below is the table showing the progress of community services development in OVC project:

Community Services	Provider	Users					
		Zhodino	Orsha	Kobrin	Chausy	Volozhin	Other

<b>1</b>	Information and reference for children and parents at risk	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, Social-pedagogical Centers, schools, Department of Childhood defense in the local Department of Education	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b>	Psycho-social diagnostics	Social-pedagogical Centers, schools	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>3</b>	Consultations for children	Social-pedagogical Centers, schools	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>4</b>	Consultations for parents	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, Social-pedagogical Centers, schools	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>5</b>	Consultation on professional orientation for orphans	Boarding schools	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>6</b>	Temporary shelter for children	Shelter	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>7</b>	Development of self-service skills in institutionalized children (cooking, hygiene skills)	Boarding schools, shelters	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>8</b>	Assistance for parents at-risk families in finding the job	Employment Centers	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>9</b>	Legal support and assistance to parents	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>10</b>	Parent's meetings	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>11</b>	Follow up support and guardianship for alumni of children's institutions	Boarding schools	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>12</b>	Leisure activities	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, Social-pedagogical Centers, schools, Boarding schools, clubs by interests	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>13</b>	Assistance in receiving benefits (consultation on preparation of the documents)	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>14</b>	Humanitarian aid for families and children at risk	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, Social-pedagogical Centers	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

15	Assistance in finding educational institution for children with disabilities	Habilitation Center for children with disabilities	1	1	1	1	1	1
16	Early intervention to prevent children's early disabilities	Habilitation Center for children with disabilities	1	1	1	1	1	1
17	Medical and social rehabilitation of children with disabilities	Habilitation Center for children with disabilities	1	1	1	1	1	1
18	Education of foster families	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, Social-pedagogical Centers	1	1	1	1	1	1
19	Visiting foster families	Social-pedagogical Centers, schools	1	1	1	1	1	1
20	Parenting course		1	1	1	0	0	0
21	Day care for children with disabilities	Habilitation Center for children with disabilities	1	1	1	1	1	1
		<b>BASELINE TOTAL:</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>20</b>
	<b>NEW/ RENEWED COMMUNITY SERVICES (OVC Impact)</b>	<b>Provider</b>	<b>Zhodino</b>	<b>Orsha</b>	<b>Kobrin</b>	<b>Chausy</b>	<b>Volozhin</b>	<b>Other</b>
1	Parenting Skills Enhancement Program	Schools, Habilitation Centers for children with disabilities	1	1	1	1	1	0
2	Playgroups of children from families attending Parenting Course	Teachers of local schools, Habilitation centers, Social-pedagogical centers	0	0	1	0	0	0
3	Groups for vulnerable children of parents attending Parenting Course	Educational Institutions	1	1	1	1	1	0
4	Day care for children with disabilities - improved	Habilitation Center for children with disabilities	1	1	1	0	0	0
5	Volunteer activity for children with disabilities	Schools, Habilitation Centers for children with disabilities	1	1	1	1	1	0
6	Home visiting by volunteers	Schools, Habilitation Centers for children with disabilities	0	0	1	0	0	0
7	Life skills program	Boarding schools and shelters, schools	1	1	1	1	1	0
8	Self-help groups for parents of children with disabilities	Habilitation Center for children with disabilities, NGO "BelAPDI-Kobrin"	0	0	1	0	0	0
9	Club activities for parent of children with disabilities	Habilitation Center for children with disabilities, NGO "BelAPDI-Kobrin"	0	0	1	0	0	0

10	Health Education and Substance Abuse prevention course	Schools, Center of Children's Creativity	1	1	1	1	1	1
11	Social pedagogic counseling for families at risk	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, NGO "Healthy Choice"	1	0	0	0	0	0
12	Self-help groups for alcohol addicted	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, NGO "Mothers against drugs"	1	1	1	0	1	0
13	Self-help groups for co-dependant relatives	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, NGO "Mothers against drugs"	1	1	1	0	1	0
14	Hot Line counseling on alcohol abuse issues	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, NGO "Mothers against drugs"	1	1	1	0	1	0
15	Individual counseling on alcohol abuse issues	Territorial Center of Social Support of Population, NGO "Mothers against drugs"	1	1	1	0	1	0
16	Toy library for children with disabilities	Habilitation Centers for children with disabilities	1	1	1	1	1	0
17	Trainings for parents of children with disabilities and specialists working with them	NGO "BelAPDI"	0	0	1	0	0	0
18	Club for Guest families (Divin)	Boarding school	0	0	1	0	0	0
19	Club for new Guest families (Divin)	Boarding school	0	0	1	0	0	0
20	Sand therapy for children with disabilities	Habilitation Center for children with disabilities	0	0	1	0	0	0
21	Special ergo-therapeutic treatment for children with disabilities	Habilitation Centers for children with disabilities	1	1	1	0	0	0
22	Information dissemination about services available for families and children at risk	Territorial Centers of Social Support of Population, Habilitation Centers for children with disabilities, NGOs, Boarding school	1	1	1	1	1	0
23	Child Abuse and Neglect Rapid Response Team	Department of Education - multidisciplinary team	1	0	0	0	0	0
24	Child Protection trainings for specialists	Departments of Education, Social Pedagogical Centers	1	1	1	1	1	0
25	Respite Care for children with disabilities	Habilitation Centers for children with disabilities	0	0	1	0	0	0

26	Mobile Toy Library	Habilitation Centers for children with disabilities	0	0	1	0	0	0
27	Computer course for children with disabilities	Habilitation Centers for children with disabilities	1	0	0	0	0	0
28	Training program for specialists working with domestic violence issues	NGO "Radislava"	1	1	1	1	1	0
29	Hot Line counseling on domestic violence issues	NGO "Radislava"	1	1	1	1	1	0
30	Individual counseling on domestic violence issues	NGO "Radislava"	1	1	1	1	1	0
31	Training on family values for evening schools pupils	NGO "Focus Group"	1	0	0	0	0	0
32	PRIDE (Education for Perspective Foster and Adoptive Parents)	Social Pedagogical Centers	1	1	0	1	1	0
33	Home-based care for children with disabilities	NGO "Belarusian Children's Hospice"	0	0	0	0	0	1
34	Hippo-therapy for children with disabilities	NGO "Hippo-therapy for disabled children"	0	0	0	0	0	1
35	Care for children of imprisoned mothers	NGO "Penitentiary Health"	0	0	0	0	0	1
36	Individual support for mothers of newly-born children with disabilities	NGO "BelAPDI"	0	0	0	0	0	1
		<b>TOTAL created with CCF:</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>5</b>
		<b>TOTAL created and improved with CCF:</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>25</b>

*Indicator 1.4. Number of orphaned children enrolled in life skills development programs.*

**a) Zhodino**

Current value of the indicator is **244** children.

The program is implemented in three groups. In addition to that 38 children develop practical skills in a social apartment equipped at Social Pedagogical Center by CCF, and 162 children - in special classes at the boarding school.

**b) Orsha**

Current value of the indicator is **214** children.

The program is implemented in twelve groups of children.

73 kids from the shelter develop practical life skills in a social apartment equipped at Social Pedagogical Center by CCF.

**c) Kobrin**

Current value of the indicator is **186** children.

The program is implemented in three groups of children at Divin Boarding School

100 kids from Divin Boarding School develop practical skills in a social apartment. 38 kids from the shelter develop practical life skills using sewing and washing machines and social apartment.

**d) Chausy**

Current value of the indicator is **113** children.

The program is implemented in five groups of children, two of them function at the boarding school.

72 children attended life-skills training course, 41 kids from the shelter developed practical life skills in a social apartment equipped at Social Pedagogical Center.

**c) Volozhin**

Current value of the indicator is **154** children. The program is implemented in four groups of children at the boarding school, two groups have finished the course.

60 children attended long-term training course at the Boarding school, 94 from the shelter developed practical life skills in a social apartment.

*Indicator 1.5. Ratio of enrolled orphaned children reporting improvements of specific knowledge and skills related to trainings topic.*

The improvement of specific knowledge and skills of the orphaned children demonstrates the **average** value of **86%**.

Percentage of participants reporting improvements of specific knowledge and skills is 86% in Zhodino, 91% in Orsha, 84% in Kobrin, 88% in Chausy, and 80% in Volozhin.

*Indicator 1.6.*

*Community-based electronic system for better surveillance of families at risk and vulnerable children*

Currently three out of 5 targeted communities have their projects aimed at development and start-up of community-based electronic system for better surveillance of families at risk and vulnerable children supported by OVC Project and approved at the National Department of Humanitarian Activities. Unfortunately, the software development for the electronic surveillance system took longer than expected, and the implementation of the projects has not started yet.

So the reached value of the Indicator is **0**.

*Indicator 1.7.*

*Number of community child protection organizations/ services integrated into the community-based electronic surveillance system.*

Due to the situation described for Indicator 1.6. the value of Indicator 1.7. is also **0** so far.

*Indicator 1.8.*

*Number of Community Advisory Boards established in project targeted communities.*

This indicator was reached in Year 1 and corresponds to the target. **One** Community Advisory Board is established **in each** of the five targeted communities.

*Indicator 1.9.*

*Number of community members participated in Community Advisory Boards work.*

The number of the participants of Community Advisory Boards is **13** in Zhodino, **14** in Orsha, **8** in Kobrin, **10** in Chausy, **15** in Volozhin. While the CABs are going through their institutional

development, discussions among their members are under way to optimize the membership. It can happen in Year 3, though currently the CABs are the same and include the variety of communities' stakeholders representing:

- in Zhodino:
  - o Local Administration/Deputy Head of the Local Authority
  - o The Head of the Department of Education
  - o Police Juvenile Inspection
  - o Commission on Juvenile Delinquents Issues
  - o Child Protection Specialists
  - o Director of the Social and Pedagogical Center
  - o Local Center of Social Support of Population
  - o NGOs
  - o Mass Media
  - o Church
  - o Health Care
  - o Representative of Industrial Factory
  
- in Orsha:
  - o Department of Education
  - o Social Pedagogical Center
  - o Habilitation Center for Children with Disabilities
  - o Police Juvenile Inspection
  - o Local Center of Social Support of Population
  - o Commission on Juvenile Delinquents Issues
  - o Health Care
  - o School
  - o NGO
  
- in Kobrin:
  - o Local Center of Social Support of Population
  - o Department of Education
  - o Commission on Juvenile Delinquents Issues
  - o Health Care
  - o NGO
  - o School Volunteers Group
  - o Local Press
  - o School
  
- in Chausy:
  - o Department of Education
  - o Commission on Juvenile Delinquents Issues
  - o Health Care
  - o Child Protection Specialist
  - o Social Pedagogical Center
  - o Habilitation Center for Children with Disabilities
  - o Boarding school
  - o School
  - o Local Center of Social Support of Population
  - o NGO
  
- in Volozhin:
  - o Child Protection Specialist

- Health Care
- Local Center of Social Support of Population
- Commission on Juvenile Delinquents Issues
- Social Pedagogical Center
- Habilitation Center for Children with Disabilities
- Boarding school
- School
- Department of Education
- NGOs
- Mass Media
- Technical school

## **Objective 2**

### *Indicator 2.0.*

*Number of both the individuals and organizations assisted by OVC project to increase their technical capacity/ability to advocate for/provide services to vulnerable children*

In Year 3 additional groups of individuals were trained in the topics identified in the communities as most important to fill in the gaps in dealing with the issues that cause risky situations for children if not properly handled.

The topics/areas of special attention are as follows: Health Education and Substance Abuse Prevention, PRIDE course dealing with the issues of alternative care for children, Child Protection, Imitation for Children with Disabilities with Communication Disorders, Holistic Assessment for Specialists Working with Children with disabilities, Volunteer Management, Proposal Writing, Project Management, Monitoring and Evaluation of Projects, as well as Strategic Planning Workshops for Zhodino, Orsha, Chausy, and Kobrin.

Organizations were assisted by CCF through trainings, grants, equipment and other materials provision.

By communities, the following number of people was trained and the following number of organizations was reinforced:

Community	Specialists	Organizations
<b>Zhodino</b>	141	38
<b>Orsha</b>	123	43
<b>Kobrin</b>	117	37
<b>Chausy</b>	119	9
<b>Volozhin</b>	103	16
<b>Other</b>	187	26
<b>Total</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>169</b>

*Indicator 2.1.*

*Ratio of participants reporting improvements of specific knowledge and skills related to trainings topic.*

The information in the table is given for those individuals who have finished training courses. There are more individuals in the communities who are currently going through training courses.

<b>Location</b>	<b># pars</b>	<b># pars reporting improved knowledge and skills</b>	<b>% pars reporting improved knowledge and skills</b>
<b>Zhodino</b>	86	82	<b>95%</b>
<b>Orsha</b>	58	56	<b>97%</b>
<b>Kobrin</b>	49	49	<b>100%</b>
<b>Chausy</b>	110	88	<b>80%</b>
<b>Volozhin</b>	85	63	<b>74%</b>
<b>Other communities</b>	265	257	<b>97%</b>
<b>Sub-total</b>	653	595	<b>91%</b>

*Indicator 2.2.*

*Ratio of participants reporting practical use of obtained knowledge and skills in services for family and children.*

The information in the table is given for those individuals who have finished training courses. There are more individuals in the communities who are currently going through training courses.

<b>Location</b>	<b># pars</b>	<b># pars reporting practical use of obtained knowledge and skills</b>	<b>% pars reporting practical use of obtained knowledge and skills</b>
<b>Zhodino</b>	82	66	<b>80%</b>
<b>Orsha</b>	56	45	<b>80%</b>
<b>Kobrin</b>	49	41	<b>84%</b>
<b>Chausy</b>	88	58	<b>66%</b>
<b>Volozhin</b>	63	36	<b>57%</b>
<b>Other communities</b>	257	122	<b>47%</b>

<b>Sub-total</b>	595	368	<b>62%</b>
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*Indicator 2.3.*

*Number of community members reached through public awareness events/actions, publications and outlets.*

The following coverage of community members was reached in the reported period:

- *Childhood without violence - **Zhodino***

Information activities:

- 5 talks on the radio,
- 4 articles in the local newspapers,
- broadcasting of promotional spot on the local radio,
- distribution of posters and information leaflets,
- public presentations at the local enterprises and public schools.

*Population reached by public awareness activities: **38,640***

- *Informational campaign on alternative forms of adoption of orphans - **Orsha***

Information activities:

- 7 articles the local newspaper *Arshanskaya Gazeta*,
  - broadcasting of promotional spot on the local TV channel *Skif*,
  - distribution of posters and information leaflets,
- public presentations at the local enterprises and public schools.

*Population reached by public awareness activities: **100,000***

- *Children against violence – **Kobrin***

Information activities:

- 3 talks on the radio,
- 2 articles total since the start of the campaign,
- distribution of posters and information leaflets,
- public presentations at the local enterprises and public schools.

*Population reached by public awareness activities: **49,025***

- *Information campaign on alternative forms of child care development - **Chausy***

Information activities:

- 5 articles the local newspaper *Iskra*,
- 6 talks on the local radio,
- distribution of 500 posters and 800 information leaflets, dissemination of information cards about institutionalized children who need to be placed in alternative care (among workers of local enterprises),
- public presentations at the local enterprises and public schools.

*Population reached by public awareness activities: **10,340***

The same campaign is under way in **Zhodino** and **Volozhin**.

- *Let's say "no" to child abuse - Volozhin*

Information activities:

- 1 talk on the local radio,
- 3 articles in the local newspaper *Pratsounaya Slava*,
- broadcasting of promotional spot on the local radio,
- distribution of posters and information leaflets,
- public presentations at local enterprises and public schools.

*Population reached by public awareness activities: 21,900*

### **Objective 3**

*Indicator 3.1.*

*Number of regulatory and methodological documents/ standards/ criteria developed;*

The value for this indicator is **2** for the reported Year 3. Task Group has developed standards of Investigation of Child Abuse and Neglect Cases and Methodical Recommendations on Social Investigation.

*Indicator 3.2.*

*Action Plan as a common framework for incorporation of developed documents into practice is available.*

**Action Plan** is developed and it describes the steps and timeframe for the creation of necessary legal child protection documents.

*Indicator 3.3.*

*Number of stakeholders reached through project's dissemination and replication activities.*

In Year 3 13 events were held with the aim to disseminate and replicate the Project's activities. They were Round Tables on local, oblast, national, and international levels where issues of violence, cooperation, and handicapped children's specifics were under discussion.

**315** people took part in these dissemination and replication events.



## Christian Children's Fund Belarus

### ***Alternative Care Development – Success Story from Chausy***

According to the Ministry of Education, there are over 30,000 orphans and children without parental care in Belarus. About 80% of them are 'social orphans', i.e., children of living parents who are unable to provide proper care or who have been denied parental rights because of child abuse and neglect. Despite all efforts of the government, over 50% of all orphaned children still reside in state institutions such as boarding schools and orphanages.

CCF-Belarus project *Supporting Orphans and Vulnerable Children in Belarus* is focused on developing alternative care models in the country to increase the number of children brought up with their natural families or in a family-like environment.

One of the project target communities is the small town of Chausy in western part of Belarus with population of slightly over 25,000 people. Until recently nearly all orphaned children here were routinely placed in the local orphanage and very few of them had chances to be adopted or taken in a foster family. Today, as a result of the project activities, the situation is quite different.

In July 2007, the state child protection service of Chausy with the financial and technical support from CCF-Belarus launched a public awareness campaign on alternative care and a training program for foster and adoptive families based on the PRIDE model.



A foster family in Chausy

The aim of the public awareness campaign was to raise motivation of citizens to adopt orphaned children or to consider foster care. The main slogan of the campaign was "You too can take an orphaned child in your family". The local media, state services and business firms provided broad support to the campaign. A variety of information tools were used including brochures and posters, articles in the newspapers, interviews on the radio, public presentations, and special events such as conferences, round tables, concerts, and fairs. This comprehensive approach proved to be very effective – the number of inquiries from citizens about adoption and foster care increased **six times** compared with the same time period before the start of the campaign.

Encouraged by message of the campaign many families decided to enroll in the training program. 37 parents completed the training, and 15 of them became adoptive or foster parents. According to the local child protection specialists who administered the program, the PRIDE module gives better preparation for future foster or adoptive parents than other programs known in Belarus. They noted that the parents trained in the PRIDE program better understand the principle "I for the child, not the child for me"; they understand the importance of the contacts of the child with his/her biological parents; and they are more willing to work as a team instead of coping with their problems in isolation.

Another important difference is that after the PRIDE training the parents are not limited by the still common in Belarus stereotype "It is better to take a child at a very young age". One of the many examples is the story of Fyodor, 13 and his sister Raya, 16 who were both removed from their family after their mother had been denied parental rights for problems with alcohol and neglecting her children. After the removal Fyodor and Raya were immediately taken in a foster family where both parents had recently completed PRIDE training.

As an overall result of the project activities in Chausy, the number of orphaned children in alternative care has increased by 75%, and there is waiting list of families who have completed the training and are willing to take a child left without parental care. Today in Chasy the children whose parents have been denied parental rights **are no longer placed in state institutions, but are immediately taken in an adoptive or a foster family.**

The example of Chausy is still unique for Belarus, but it proves that if best international experience is used and the local community is actively involved positive changes are possible even in the most difficult-to-solve social issues.

Currently, CCF-Belarus is working on disseminating the successful experience of Chausy and the other project target communities across the country.