



*Mission Wings
Foundation*

&

*Stara Zagora
Municipality*

**Enhancing the participation of
migrants through the creation of
migrant councils**



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- ❖ Population – 150 000 people
- ❖ Central region
- ❖ 6th biggest in Bulgaria



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- ❖ Since the beginning of the war more than 1000 Ukrainian refugees
- ❖ 600 remained in the city
- ❖ 62 Ukrainian refugees live in municipality apartments in Stara Zagora, free of rent



- ❖ Free tickets for puppet theater



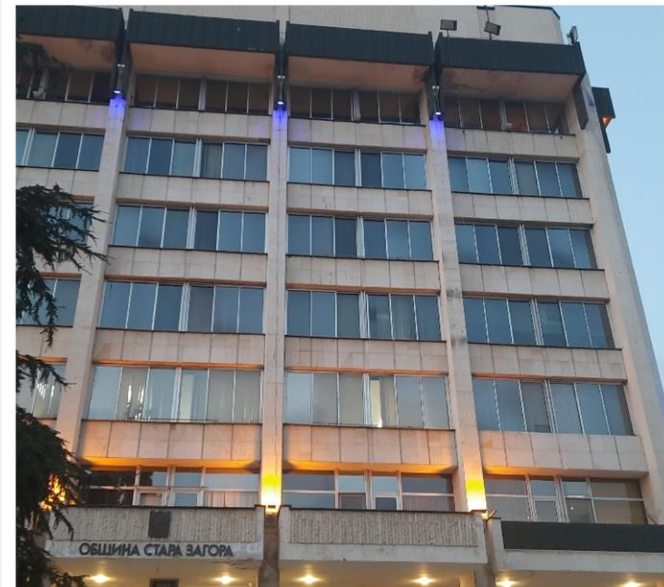
- ❖ Free opera tickets for the children and their parents



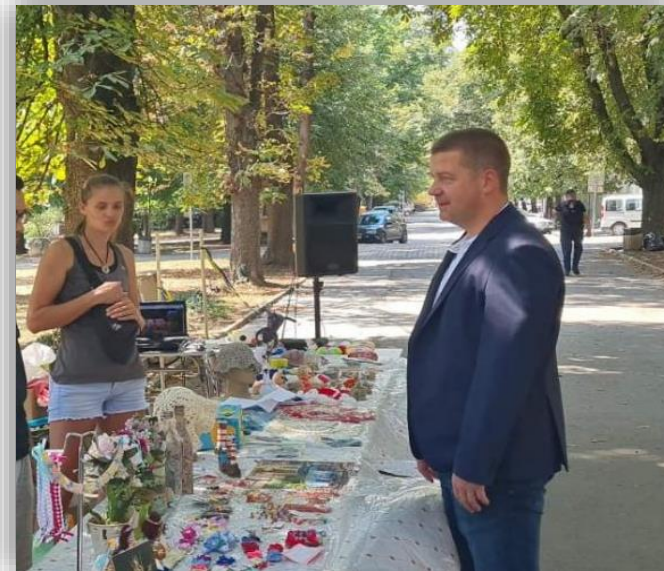
❖ Community actions and cleaning activities



❖ Standing with Ukraine



❖ Cultural activities



POLITICAL CONCEPT IN BULGARIA

- Bulgaria remains a „transit“ country for refugees and economic migrants from third countries.
- Many cases of outright human rights violations against people from these groups have been recorded - systematic pushbacks, illegal detentions, others.
- Public prejudice against migrants remains unsanctioned by state-initiated policies and the institutions that are responsible for law-enforcement demonstrate arbitrary practices.
- Integration measures, primarily understood as services, are provided exclusively by NGOs mostly in the capital.
- Division of migrants by type and discrimination.
- No accurate statistics exist on the number and type of migrants in Bulgaria because of the constant emigration flow.
- **No state-supported good practices for encouraging the political or civic participation of migrants.**



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Establishment of the Migrant Council



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ΔΗΜΟΣ ΝΕΑΠΟΛΗΣ-ΖΥΓΕΩΝ



GRUPE SOS
SOLIDARITÉS



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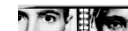
KINDLING A BETTER WORLD



MIGRANTINNENBEIRAT GRAZ



WORKSHOP
FOR CIVIC
INITIATIVES
FOUNDATION
supporting initiative communities



szociális
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alapítvány



Caja Receptivos

Cuping

why MUIH?

What?

Aim - move

Backpack

3 AÑOS

con rol

Papel Directe

JUNTOS

BEHAR CALIFORNIA

Jack & Jones

Female



PROJECT AND RESULTS

- Identify individuals and migrant communities.
- Community capacity building and empowering to develop skills and competencies so as to take greater control of their own lives and also contributes to inclusive local development.
- Council members: 10.
- Countries of origin:

Ukraine
Argentina
Turkey
Vietnam

Syria
India
Japan
Moldova



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MEETINGS WITH THE AUTHORITIES



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ECO ACTIVITIES



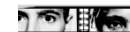
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COMMUNITY ACTIONS



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MAJOR CHALLENGES

- Reaching them and language.
- Individuality vs community.
- Host society unacceptance.
- Lack of local policy to support them.
- Sustainability.



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FUTURE PLANNING

- Sustainability of the Council.
- Community engagement.
- Continuation of events and community activities.
- Multi community development.
- Entering to politics for decision making.



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