



Promoting resilience of refugee children at risk, Inc. GBV survivors, in the urban settings

The PRAKSIS Association with the funding and support of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) as of January 2023, has started the implementation of a new project in Athens and Thessaloniki, with the primary objective of enhancing the protection environment of asylum seeking and refugee children.

Interdisciplinary teams have been established as part of the project in the PRAKSIS' structures in Athens and Thessaloniki in order to **welcome and support children at risk**, as per the following:

- ☐ New born babies in families.

- ☐ Underage pregnant girls.

- ☐ Children in single-parent families.

- ☐ Accompanied children facing health issues.

- ☐ Caregivers of separated children: elderly people, siblings, separated children.

- ☐ Children survivors of torture, rape or other serious forms of psychological, physical or sexual violence or exploitation (including caregivers).

- ☐ Accompanied children of whom their families have been reported to NGOs or authorities for potential exploitation, neglect or abuse.

# SERVICES

- Social services
- Psychosocial services
- Psychological support
- Provision of materials (clothes, food staff)
  - Child- psychiatric assessment
  - Therapeutic intervention

At the core of the project, there is **pilot therapeutic intervention for children survivors of GBV**. The outcome of the intervention will form the basis for a proposed **psychotherapeutic methodology** as part of the National Action Plan for the Protection of Children from Sexual Abuse and Exploitation.

The team consists of **2 social scientists, 1 psychologist, 1 child psychiatrist, 1 psychotherapist.**

The needs of the interpretation are covered in **Urdu, Farsi, Somali, Arabic** and if another language is needed we are in contact with Metadrasi.

There are currently 5 cases active, which are being monitored holistically by the entire multidisciplinary team, according to the needs.

# CHILD PROTECTION CENTERS

- **Athens Community Center:** Sarpidonos 24, Kolonos, Athens/  
+302108213704      Open: Mon- Fri: 9:00-17:00
- **Athens Day Center for Homeless:** Deligiorgi 26-28, Metaxourgio,  
Athens/ +302105244576      Open: Mon- Fri: 9:00-17:00
- **Piraeus Day Center for Homeless:** Zosimadon 44, Piraeus/  
+306985866432      Open: Mon- Fri: 9:00-17:00

Thank you!