



ESF report

As you received a grant from European Scout Foundation for your projects, we need a report. Because this report will be aimed at presenting results to our donors, as well as publishing the story on our website, we ask you to prepare the report according to the structure described. When we have received your report, we may pose questions or ask for further details, so please be brief, and feel welcome to add more extensive material, press clippings, pictures etc. as addendum

The report shall include two parts: A: a description – the story, and B: a brief financial report.

A: The story

Project name:	The Lighthouse – 110 Scout adventures
Responsible organization and person(s):	ORGANIZATION OF BULGARIAN SCOUTS Yordan Dyankov
Introduction to the project:	<p>Last year and a half was one of the hardest period for our movement. In almost all of the countries the Scout activities, the Scout camps and all the big international events were cancelled. The situation was no different in Bulgaria. After a difficult year facing the multiple challenges that the global health crisis has brought us, following the official protocols, we decided to return to in-person activities and organize Anniversary Camp in July for our Cubs, Scouts and Venture Scouts. What better way to do it than celebrating the 110 anniversary of lightening the spark of Scouting in our country! The camp took place on the Black Sea coast in the town Shabla from 16th till 21st of July. The theme of the camp was “The Lighthouse – 110 Scout adventures” and represented the guiding light that Scouting always has been for the young people. (The town of Shabla is best known for its beautiful lighthouse). We planned various type of activities according to the age and the interest of the participants. Separate programs were provided for Cubs and Scouts/Venture-Scouts. The geographical region of Shabla is incredibly rich and it offers great possibilities for ecological activities – environmentally protected seashore and lakes, hot springs, unique areas - one of the richest birdlife diversity in Bulgaria. Some of the activities we conducted were: - Beach activities – swimming, rowing, beach games; - Pioneering; - Service activities; - Rope forest (knots, rope climbing, obstacle courses, basic rock climbing, zip-line); - First aid and crisis response activities; - Evening activities (creativity and arts); - Night activity for Scouts and Venture-Scouts. We were not only focused on resuming activities in nature, where the Scout Method can be fully applied, but also we emphasized the return to group life, meaningful interactions, and relationships among young people and among the adults around them, that lies at the core of the Scout Movement. Although national health authorities allowed from June the outdoor group activities, we were fully aware the global crisis isn’t yet over. The Camp was held within the local health and safety guidance, allowing young people to fully recover and engage in fun, safe, attractive, and challenging activities. Ensuring the safety of young people, adults and volunteers was our top priority. To achieve this, it was important to comply with the local health restrictions, which was a challenge for us both logistically and financially.</p>



<p>Objectives and goals:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - to celebrate properly 110 Years of Scouting in Bulgaria; to be loud and proud and join together in reaffirming our Scout Promise; - to use nature to kick start our Scouting again; - to resume in-person Scouting activities after Covid-19; to reconnect in-person with our friends and go back to enjoying activities in nature again; - to lead the way towards physical and mental recovery of young people, by providing opportunities to engage with nature, be energetic and active, and reflective on how to rebuild a better “normal” and a better world; - to support the inclusion of young people in financial difficulties in attractive Scout events.
<p>To which extent did we meet objectives and goals:</p>	<p>We do our bests to meet objectives and goals despite the COVID-19. Due to pandemic situation, even not so strong at the moment, we did have some troubles but overall project was implemented successfully and we were able to organize all planned activities. All the activities were performed according to the planned time, with all the materials we needed at our disposal.</p> <p>A summary from the participants’ and leaders’ survey of their perception of the event was very positive. The participants themselves stated how much this camp was fun and adventure, but beneficial and helps for their upgrading and acquiring new skills.</p>
<p>What did we learn from the project:</p>	<p>Being outdoor in nature is part of our identity as a Scout Movement but the present times challenge us to be creative.</p> <p>We realized :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How important is an opportunity to attend Scout camps for children; - Scouts can be very creative; we are able to find different, or unique ways to embrace the challenges the pandemic has presented; - Our organization has great leaders - volunteers, able to do the almost impossible in a short time, operating in a constantly changing environment along with constantly changing health regulations, changing travel restrictions and social restrictions ; - The preparation and implementation of this project has been a strong learning process for our members.



B: Financial report in brief

		Brief description	Amount in EURO
Income:	Own resources:		6834,10
	Other funding:		
	ESF funding:		3100
	Other income:	Non-cash	12000
Expenses;	Travel:	Fuel	554,49
	Materials spent:	Materials for activities:	1310,51
		T-shirts and badges:	1362,82
	Accommodation and food for participants:	Food and water:	3445,58
		Toilets and showers:	1128,62
		Cooking equipment:	312,36
		Camp equipment:	1514,27
		Hygiene and medical	305,45
	Non-cash	in-kind contribution of a goods, equipment and voluntary service	12000
Net result:			0

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