social services for families in communities
The project is intended to:

— Strengthen social cohesion among internally displaced persons and host communities in conflict-affected municipalities in eastern Ukraine;

— Introduce a “continuum of social services” to address key challenges in host communities in a sustainable manner.

Within the Project, support will be rendered to local communities to provide accessible and quality social services for:

— internally displaced children and families; low-income families;

— families with children with disabilities;

— children and families affected by domestic violence;

— families with children at risk of being institutionalized;

— other vulnerable families.
The project covers 12 territorial communities in the east of Ukraine. The following implementing partners are designated for local project implementation within the Consortium headed by the Civil Association “Ukrainian Child Rights Network”:

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Communities together with implementing partners, will identify priority needs for social services to be introduced and/or strengthened.

Depending on community needs and available human and financial resources, the following social services might be introduced:

— day-care centres for disadvantaged children and families, including those with disabilities;

— early intervention services for children with developmental delays and disabilities;

— support to children and women affected by domestic violence;

— expansion of family and community based alternative child care, such as foster care, etc.;

— training centres/hubs for positive parenting, youth empowerment; and others.
The project consists of two components

**Soft Component**
- Training on Case Management;
- Strengthening Intersectoral cooperation;
- Support with development and budgeting of social services;
- Enhancing the communication skills of community members for social change and demand generation for social services;
- Documenting, scaling up best practices and developing recommendations on integrated community social services for internally displaced and other vulnerable families with children in Ukraine.

**Hard Component**
- Establishment of multifunctional/integrated centres for social services (renovation of selected premises according to the needs of communities);
- Refurbishment of these centres.
Each community introduces/strengthens the priority social services based on the needs of the community;

Social workers have improved skills and knowledge on case management and referral;

Communities learn to identify and use communication channels to increase the demand for services;

Social services become available and accessible for those in need;

A child- and family-centred integrated model of social services is developed and introduced at national level for scaling up.
Opportunities

For local citizens

Access to integrated social services in their communities;

Enabling and inclusive environment in the community;

Engaging local youth in social development process.

For local authorities

Strengthening of community child protection system to prevent, identify and respond to social and protection issues among children and families.

For CSOs and other stakeholders

The integrated social service model boosts civic engagement and improves cooperation between local CSOs and local communities to address social and protection challenges faced by families.

For business

Investing in social well-being of families, contributing to local development processes.
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