

LIGHTHOUSE OF HOPE MK

2021 ANNUAL REPORT

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From our Founders

This year has proven to be an interesting one, in the history of Lighthouse of Hope MK. While the world still struggled with what life in the times of COVID 19 looked like, we were busy filing out documents to obtain a license for The JOY Home Day Center.

Most of 2021 was spent with gathering information, filling out forms, submitting proposals, and planning for the eventual opening of The JOY Home.



However, we still found opportunities to partner with other non-profits for several projects during the year. Open Gate/La Strada NGO in Skopje contacted us about partnering to provide Hope Baskets for three teenage girls, who had been rescued from trafficking. We purchased pajamas, undergarments, slippers, and other necessary items for the girls and donated them through Open Gate.

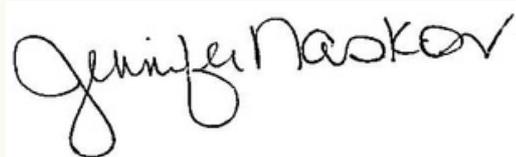
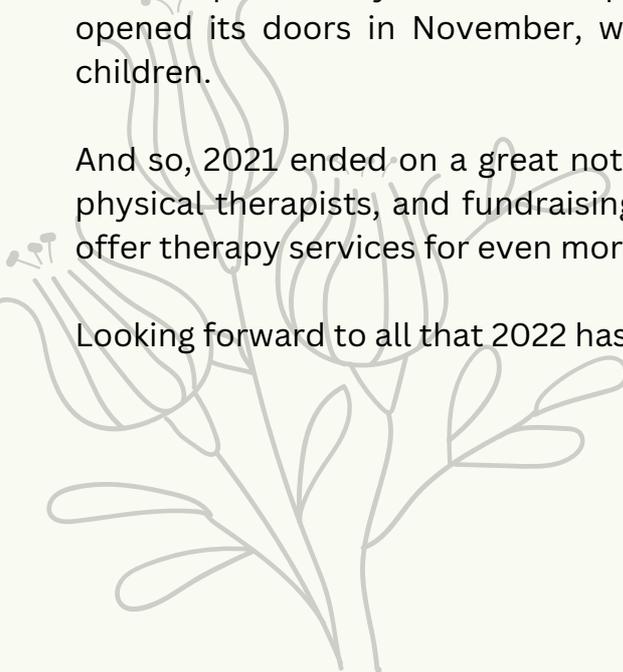
Then, we were able to provide several months' worth of supplements and medication for the children without parents, in Bitola, who live in the government group homes.

At the start of the school year, we partnered with Sumnal in Skopje and donated school supplies for 60+ at-risk children in the Roma community.

Finally, we received word in October that our license had been approved and we became the first private day center for orphans with special needs in Macedonia. The JOY Home opened its doors in November, with two little girls. The next week, we added 5 more children.

And so, 2021 ended on a great note, with us officially opening The JOY Home, hiring two physical therapists, and fundraising to buy a wheelchair-accessible bus so that we could offer therapy services for even more children each week!

Looking forward to all that 2022 has to offer!



2021 Highlights

Though COVID restrictions were still in full force in Macedonia for all of 2021, we were able to achieve some really awesome things! Here are some highlights of what 2021 looked like for all of us at Lighthouse of Hope MK:



October 2021 Received The JOY Home License

We were more than a little excited when we received the license to open and operate The JOY Home Day Center.

As soon as that happened, our plan went into effect:

- Hire physical therapists, a play specialist, and bus driver.
- Coordinate with the Group Home Director to plan which days, what times, and which children.
- Buy diapers, snacks, car seats, and other supplies.
- Plan an open date!



Throughout 2021 Partnerships with other NGOs

We have developed partnerships with several other NGOs in Macedonia. In 2021, we were able to partner with them to:

- Provide gift baskets of pajamas, hygiene items, socks, slippers, and undergarments to 3 teen-aged trafficking victims through Open Gate La Strada in Skopje
- Donate school supplies to 60+ Roma children through Sumnal Center for Roma Development
- Purchase specialty medicines & supplements for children in the government group homes in Bitola



November 2021 The JOY Home Officially Opens

On November 23 we officially opened The JOY Home, with two precious little girls.

It was especially poignant because Jennifer worked with these girls when she volunteered at the orphanage years before. To have them be the first two children at The JOY Home was amazing.

We hit the ground running. The following week, we added 5 additional children. The JOY Home was officially open from 9 am - noon every Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday.



Our Team

Board Members



Mike Kozlinski



Kassie Wilson



Nastassia Naskov

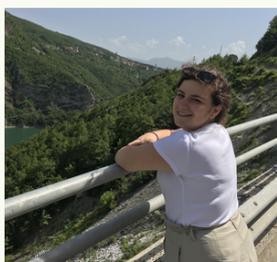


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Gordana Ristevska



Aleksandra Micevska



Zorica Lajmanovska

2021 Financial Snapshot

Thanks to the unwavering support of our donors and volunteers, we were able to make a positive impact in the lives of orphans in North Macedonia. With your help, we received vital funding to provide these children with the support they need to thrive. We carefully allocated our resources towards our programs to ensure the maximum benefit. Lighthouse of Hope MK prioritizes transparency and accountability in all our financial activities and welcomes you to review our financial statement. With your continued support, we can continue our mission to improve the lives of these vulnerable children and provide them with the resources they need to succeed.

DONATIONS

Individual Contributions	\$25,749.75
Fundraising Events and Products	\$5,775.62
Religious Institutions	\$9,030.03

Gross Donations **\$40,555.40**



EXPENSES

ADMINISTRATION

Bank Fees	\$1,357.31
Office Expenses	\$80.80
Taxes, Professional Services	\$2,563.76

FUNDRAISING

Solicitation Registration Fees	\$1,352.52
Fundraising Fees	\$1,695.24

JOY HOME

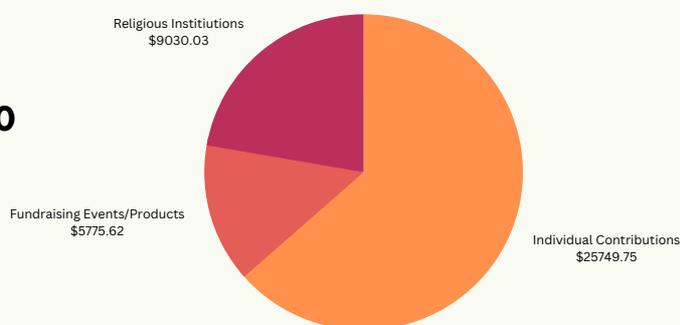
Facilities	\$3,363.90
Orphan Care Supplies & Equip	\$1,650.47
Staff & Professional Services	\$2,324.71
Daily Expenses (diapers, snacks, etc.)	\$2,566.51
Misc Expenses (continuing ed)	\$1,227.17

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS

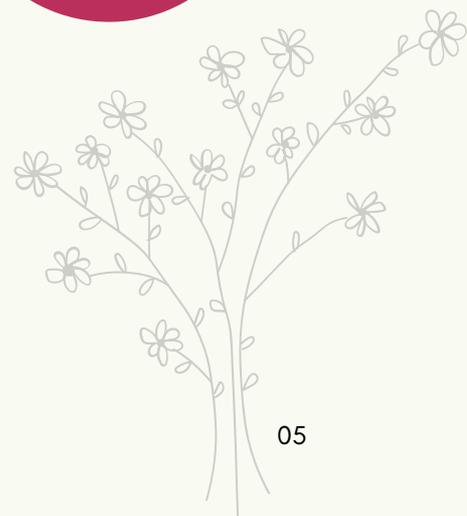
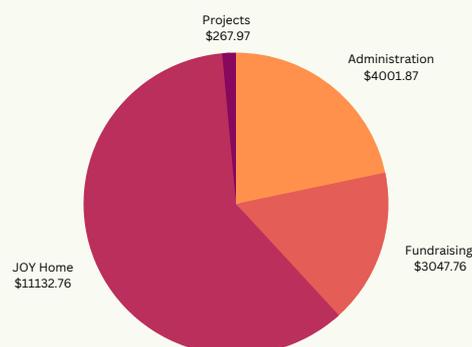
Bitola Orphanage Medicine	\$267.97
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Total Expenses **\$18,450.36**

DONATIONS



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Introducing The JOY Home

What is The JOY Home Day Center?

It's a place for children with special needs to come and find hope, healing, and encouragement. A place where they receive individualized care, one-on-one time with a physical therapist, play specialist, or life skills coach. A place where they can laugh, dance, sing, make silly faces and know that they are cherished and valued.

Where is The JOY Home located?

The JOY Home is located just outside of the city of Bitola, in the village of Bareshani. The fully-fenced property is large, full of flowers and trees, and has plenty of space for the children to explore and play. Across the street is an unfinished building that we plan to use as a future physical and occupational therapy space.



What activities are provided at The JOY Home?

- Physical Therapy
- Life Skills Training
- Play
- Exercise
- Attachment & Connection
- Communication & Socialization
- Music, art, and games



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