



Dear Friends,

Hoping that the initiatives of Bronx People NGO and CS Bronx Powerlifting Club Bacău will gain your attention, we invite you to join our projects so that we can succeed in bringing the desired results and impact to the community. Through our activity, we aim at creating opportunities for social integration, development and learning for children and youths coming from vulnerable backgrounds, from institutionalized people to people with disabilities. By promoting education, sports, culture and crafts, we want to create significant human development resources, locally, nationally and internationally.

On the **social side**, since 2009, we have been trying to add value to our community, helping children and youths from disadvantaged backgrounds to build their own future. In 2019, we opened **Maria Bronx Family Centre**, an orphanage where 19 children and young people are growing up, playing sports at a competitive level. In order to provide a home for more abandoned children, we decided to build the **Children's Crafts Village**, a complex consisting of 7 houses, where children from disadvantaged backgrounds will live, to benefit from education, the chance to practice competitive sports and vocational training, but most importantly, a family. Also, they will benefit from handcraft workshops, a permanent medical centre, and a community service complex. In order to complete the construction, funds are needed as well as building materials, structural elements, electrical and thermal installation, finishing elements and interior decoration.

By rehabilitating a former heating point, Bronx People NGO will also open **the first social canteen in Bacău**, where more than 300 students without possibilities will have lunch every day. In order to complete and open the canteen, we are looking for partners to help us purchase the rest of the necessary materials and ensure the canteen's operating framework. At the canteen, we want to involve partners in volunteering, by organising teambuildings for willing teams, so that cooking can be not only a hobby but also an enjoyable way to learn to work as a team. The result... 300 children no longer starving and going to school!

And because we care deeply about **education**, and because youths, especially those from vulnerable communities, also need schools to help them develop their skills so they can get jobs, we have also started working on **The Bronx People Centre of Excellence**, a vocational school that aims to both educate young people and identify the demands of the job market so we can train young people to fill the jobs on offer.

On the **sports side**, CS Bronx Powerlifting Club Bacău organizes one of the most important international judo tournaments in Romania, which this year will reach its third edition. **JUDO WITHOUT BARRIERS** is also supported by the International Judo Federation, precisely because it is the first competition that promotes social inclusion, both through the involvement of children and young people with disabilities, and through the Judogi Bank, a collection of sports equipment for small clubs with limited resources. In order to give the deserved prizes to the athletes, who represent and bring pride to the community, we want to attract partners to join us in organising the tournament. We have also managed to form a group of disabled athletes at the Maria Montessori Special Secondary School in Bacău, where we have 28 children who constantly participate in judo training. From 2022, we started to organise **JUDO IS PLAYING, WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?** on an annual basis, an international judo competition for children with disabilities. This year, our club will promote the adaptive judo in judo clubs and social protection care structures from 10 counties of Romania, also militating in the **Parliament of Romania** for the inclusion of adaptive judo in schools.

We look forward to collaborating with you! For more details, please do not hesitate to contact us by phone: **+40749336424 / +40759021146** or by email: **cs.bronxbacau@yahoo.com!**

Yours Faithfully,

Bronx Team

