

APPROVED
by the Presidium of
CSS Charity Foundation
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STRONGER WITH CSS CHARITY PROGRAM

Stronger with CSS charity program ("**Charity Program**") is an internal regulation of CSS Charity Foundation ("**Foundation**") developed in accordance with the Civil Code of the Russian Federation, Federal Law No. 135-FZ *On Charitable Activities and Voluntary Work (Volunteering)*, dated 11 August 1995, Federal Law *On Non-Commercial Organizations*, dated 12 January 1996 and other applicable laws of the Russian Federation and the Charter of the Foundation.

The Charity Program provides support for children and young adults up to the age of 44 who have disabilities, helps children stay in their birth families, assists in finding new families for children left without the care of their natural parents, and supports parents through enhancement of their parental competencies and provision of quality advisory support. The Foundation accords priority to projects that promote successful social initiatives and assistance practices at regional level (beyond Moscow and Saint Petersburg), projects with proven performance record, partner projects and projects designed to create new forms of assistance and services.

The Charity Program is focused on achieving sustainable and scalable results and lasting effects. The key principles are openness and transparency, awareness of the results of activities, customized approach, consistency and commensurability.

Owing to the projects supported by the Foundation in accordance with the Charity Program, many children and their families will be able to improve their lives and become stronger and more independent.

GOALS OF THE CHARITY PROGRAM

- assistance in development, implementation and scaling of projects providing comprehensive support and assistance to the target audience of the Charity Program;
- comprehensive support and assistance to orphaned children, children deprived of parental care and disabled children, as well as parents or legal guardians of such children and other persons that have found themselves in a difficult situation;
- promoting the strengthening and the role of family in the society;
- assisting in protecting the childhood, motherhood and fatherhood;
- assistance in activities in the area of education, sciences, culture, educational and spiritual development;
- assistance in activities in the area of preventive health care and public health, promotion of a healthy lifestyle, creating a healthier moral and psychological environment;
- assistance to volunteering activities.

OBJECTIVES OF THE CHARITY PROGRAM

- Identifying, through competitive selection of Applicants, the best projects that address the issues highlighted by the goals of the Charity Program;
- Supporting the Applicants chosen on the basis of competitive selection with voluntary cash donations to fund the implementation of the Applicants' projects;
- Monitoring the supported projects over the implementation period. Assessment of results.

TARGET AUDIENCE OF THE CHARITY PROGRAM

- children left without parental care;
- children and young adults up to the age of 44 with disabilities, i.e. physical and/or mental development conditions, and their families;
- children in extreme hardship and their families;
- victims of child abuse and their families;
- children from low-income families;
- children with behavioral issues and their families;
- children whose lives are objectively disrupted by their circumstances and who are unable to handle such circumstances themselves or with the help of their families;
- children from substitute families;
- substitute families;
- professionals working with the above groups;
- non-profit non-governmental organizations working with the above groups.

APPLICANTS TO THE CHARITY PROGRAM

Non-profit non-governmental organizations registered in accordance with the laws of the Russian Federation implementing effective social projects and programs whose chartered purposes do not contradict the goals and objectives of the Charity Program.

IMPLEMENTATION STAGES OF THE CHARITY PROGRAM

The Program implementation stages are organized cyclically and are governed by the relevant internal regulations of the Foundation.

In accordance with the Charity Program, throughout the implementation period the Foundation shall:

- Develop the procedure for holding each competitive selection under the Charity Program, to be set forth in the relevant Competition Regulations;
- Approve the Competition Regulations by a decision of the Supreme Collective Body of CSS Charity Foundation, the Presidium ("**Presidium of the Foundation**");
- Circulate information about the competition among the Applicants;

- Accept applications and the required set of documents. Requirements as to the contents of the applications and the list of documents to be provided together with the applications shall be published on the website of the Foundation at <http://cssfoundation.org> and may be modified by the Presidium of the Foundation;
- Perform technical processing of the applications and the required set of documents. The Foundation reserves the right to request additional documents and materials where necessary;
- Compile the list of candidates for funding based on independent expert review to ensure transparent decision-making on funding and compliance with the principle of collegiality;
- Conduct personal or online interviews and a due diligence of the Applicants;
- Adopt decisions on the funding of projects under the Charity Program, such decisions to be made by the Presidium of the Foundation;
- Monitor projects over the implementation period;
- Evaluate results.

TIMING OF THE CHARITY PROGRAM

The commencement date of the Charity Program is 11 January 2021.

The implementation of the Charity Program by the Foundation shall not be limited in time and shall continue until the achievement of its stated objectives.

The implementation of the Charity Program may be terminated early, *inter alia*, in connection with adoption by the Foundation of a new charity program based on a decision made by the Presidium of the Foundation. In the event of early termination of the Charity Program, the Presidium of the Foundation shall decide on the allocation of the Foundation's funds allotted for implementation of the Charity Program remaining undisbursed on the date of its termination.

BUDGET OF THE CHARITY PROGRAM

The total budget of the Charity Program for its effective period shall not be fixed and shall depend on the scope of funding received from Russian and foreign private donors. For the purposes of implementation of the Charity Program, the Foundation may conduct various events and activities to raise cash and in-kind donations.

The budget of the Charity Program shall be approved by resolution of the Presidium of the Foundation for each financial year throughout the implementation period of the Charity Program. The financial year shall run from 1 January to 31 December of each calendar year. The budget for the first financial year of Charity Program implementation shall be drafted for the period from the commencement date of Charity Program implementation to the end date of the financial year as stated above.

The approved budget of the Charity Program for each financial year shall be an integral part of the Charity Program. The budget of the Charity Program may be amended and/or supplemented at any time during a financial year on the basis of a decision by the Presidium of the Foundation.

After the end of each financial year, the President of the Foundation shall prepare a report on the Charity Program budget performance and submit it for consideration to the Presidium of the Foundation. The Presidium of the Foundation may also resolve to consider budget performance on an interim basis each quarter.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Applicants receiving support under the Charity Program shall remain entitled to support under other charity programs of the Foundation.
- Control over the implementation of the Charity Program shall lie with the President of the Foundation.
- The documents of the Charity Program shall be posted on the website of the Foundation at <http://cssfoundation.org>.