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Time for change!

„What at first feels difficult
will finish magnificently.“

In the 30th year of „Bauern helfen Bauern“, we are taking a critical survey of our work. The past one-and-a-half years in the earthquake region of Petrinja/Croatia – the 72 BhB houses built in 2021 and another 40 houses up to October 2022 – have taught us a lot. The work of BhB is changing, now that a solid structural basis has been established. So we have been thinking, evaluating and making decisions.

Our faithful long-standing project manager Namir Poric set up his own independent foundation in 2021, but continues his committed work on behalf of BhB. The achievements in Srebrenica are due partly to his efforts. The demands of the projects have changed, so we have to adapt to them.

The basic focus on the region in and around Srebrenica, launched in 1998 by BhB and our fantastic team, has expanded, with many new aspects. Thanks to BhB projects, countless families and individuals are today able to manage their own lives in the long term, and good training opportunities have enabled many young people to start new careers.

– And the music school – a real success story! You have only to see the self-confidence gained by the pupils, the openness towards other ethnicities, the enthusiasm and the strength which are passed on to the parents, and the encouragement to collaborate in teamwork.

We continue to support the music school, the „house of good tones“, as well as our existing medical and agricultural projects and training for young people in Srebrenica.

Our right-hand man Franz Pesjak, has been enjoying retirement for two years. This has meant our transports and storage facilities being relocated to on-site assistance.

The changes we are making are adapted to today's challenges, with a slimmed-down organisational structure. Our office, managed for the past 24 years by Susanne Seitlinger, is now staffed 3 days per week by a smaller team full of enthusiasm and commitment.

Throughout the years, all our achievements have been made possible only by the uncompromising loyalty of our donors and supporters. 30 years of courage to demonstrate humaneness – thanks to your generosity!

We will continue to build houses for people in need, and we would ask you to continue your help with our efforts.

Over 30 years, an average of one house every 8 days has been built – 1,362 altogether. Thank you!



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HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

52 BhB houses in Petrinja/Croatia between November 2021 and October 2022 (financed by Maltese Aid and private donors in Austria and Germany, in the „Kuća nade“ project) were built up by the Bosnian „House of Good Tones“ (Srebrenica/Namir Poric) and the Croatian „Jozo Ljubicic“ construction teams.



MUSIC SCHOOL

310 German lessons / 246 choral singing lessons / 127 guitar lessons / 260 piano lessons / 200 accordion lessons / 84 orchestra rehearsals / 40 drum lessons / diverse workshops on literature – critical thinking – photography and cooking / social projects for the local population



PROJECTS

Mobile care + medicines; daily soup kitchen for 54 people (financed by the Elfriede Grubauer Foundation and the registered association „Run for their lives“); ongoing support with food parcels for families living far from Srebrenica; podcast „Journey Stories“ www.journeystories.fm (financed by the ERSTE Foundation and BhB Salzburg); apprenticeships in the Emmaus Centre in Potocari for 3 chefs; 1 teacher for the day centre and 1 qualified employee for the administration; 1 agricultural engineer (financed by the Thoolen Foundation)



AGRICULTURE

Financial support for a roof for a stall in Tuzla.
Financing for 5 greenhouses in Srebrenica, donated by Dr. Mirza Atić.



NEW PROJECTS

Financial support for a cultural event in Bijeljina with the children's choirs of the Srebrenica „house of good tones“ music school, as well as for a literary evening with Muhidin Saric and a concert by the Divanhana music society in Prijedor, organised by the Idriz Jakupovic Foundation, the „Haus der guten Töne“ in Srebrenica and Bauern helfen Bauern Salzburg. These projects are specially designed to promote multiethnic relations in the country, among both children and adults.

Part-financing of translation into German of the book Surviving Srebrenica by Hasan Hasanovic.



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