

2020 ANNUAL REPORT



Lighthouse of
Hope MK



FROM THE FOUNDERS

2020 was a complicated year, globally and in North Macedonia. In recent history, there has never been an event that has affected the entire world at one time.

We felt the impact, as well, as we battled corona-virus in our family, isolation and government lockdowns, explaining and reassuring our own children about how things were different this year, and constantly changing plans and goals as the year progressed.

At Lighthouse of Hope MK, we saw some of our goals would be unreachable - how could we open a home for children when everything was in and out of lockdown for the entire year? The Macedonian government, rightly, saw it necessary to protect the children in care, and stopped all unnecessary guests/volunteers from coming in contact with them.

Therefore, we shifted our focus for 2020, and concentrated on finishing The JOY Home, and being ready as soon as it was possible to open as a Day Center for special needs orphans.

Gratefully, with the support of our wonderful donors, we were able to accomplish that goal! Additionally, we were able to pay of The JOY Home mortgage, and are entering 2021 completely debt-free!

That being said, we can't wait to see what's in store for this upcoming year!

Jennifer & Zoran

2020 AT A GLANCE

January - Held our first Trust-Based Relational Interventions training with Jennifer as a TBRI Practitioner

February - Finished The JOY Home balcony

March/April - Bought furniture for The JOY Home

May - Donated a 6-month supply of specialty medications for as many as 40 orphans in Bitola

June - GlobalGiving Fundraiser raised \$10,428

July - Purchased a new well pump and got water working at The JOY Home

August - Purchased remaining light fixtures for The JOY Home and began the TBRI Training Workbook Translation Project

September - Finished the dog run and purchased safety items for The JOY Home

October - Hosted a team from Skopje for a long weekend to clean and do yardwork; said goodbye to Faith and Dustin who are moving to Japan



2020 AT A GLANCE

November - Purchased and installed whole-house pellet heater and hot water heater; installed the 2nd floor shower cabin, and had shelving installed at The JOY Home

December - Received a grant for the water filter from the Municipality of Bitola; Paid off The JOY Home loan and became 100% debt-free



FINANCIAL UPDATE

REVENUE

Government Grants and Contracts
Religious Institutions
Individual Contributions
Fundraising Events and Products

AMOUNT

\$1,000
\$7,832
\$15,495
\$24,290

Total Donations

\$48,618

EXPENSES

AMOUNT

Administration

Professional Fees

\$597

Administration Total

\$597

Fundraising

Solicitation Licenses

\$2,032

Fundraising Fees (DonorBox, Paypal, etc.)

\$1,021

Fundraising Total

\$3,053

Office Expenses

Printing and Copying

\$47

Office Expenses Total

\$47

Other Expenses

Bank Fees.

\$908

Miscellaneous Expenses

\$1,765

Other Expenses Total

\$2,673

Joy Home

Loan Repayment

\$18,152

Ongoing Expenses utilities, etc.)

\$1,648

Furnishings and Supplies

\$758

Joy Home Renovations

\$22,034

Joy Home Total

\$42,592

Project Expenses

Bitola Orphanage Medicine

\$494

Misc Projects (therapy dogs, etc.)

\$673

Project Expenses Total

\$1,167

Total Expenses

\$50,129

THE JOY HOME

This past year, through the generosity of our donors, we were able to completely finish The JOY Home, so that in 2021, we can open it as a Day Center for special needs orphans!!!

In 2020 we were able to:

- Complete the balcony - roof, tiled floor, and safety rails
- Purchase all of the beds, chest of drawers, home office furniture, etc
- Purchase and install a new water pump, filter, etc so that the children can have clean water
- Purchase and install all of the remaining light fixtures and the 2nd floor bathroom shower cabin
- Purchase and install a pellet heater that is large enough to heat the entire 3,000 square foot home
- Purchase and install a whole-house water heater
- Provide custom-made storage shelves for the hallway, living room, and play/therapy room
- Purchase safety equipment, car seats, and strollers
- Pay-off the remaining mortgage debt, so we can start 2021 completely debt-free!!!

Our vision is for The JOY Home to be the first, of many, places of healing for vulnerable children in Macedonia.



GLOBAL GIVING



In June 2020, we graduated from the GlobalGiving Accelerator program, gaining entry into the GlobalGiving marketplace and becoming a recognized partner of GlobalGiving. As part of the Accelerator, we successfully raised \$12,452 from 66 unique individual donors to support our project, "Equip a Day Center for Orphans in North Macedonia."

"We're thrilled to have Lighthouse of Hope MK as part of our community.

Lighthouse of Hope has met our rigorous vetting standards for trust and community support, and we're committed to providing tools, training, and support as they learn, grow and become more effective."

- Alix Guerrier, CEO of GlobalGiving -

GlobalGiving is a nonprofit that supports other nonprofits by connecting them to donors, companies, and nonprofits in nearly every country around the world. GlobalGiving makes it possible for local organizations to access the funding, tools, training, and support they need to become more effective and make the world a better place. Additionally, GlobalGiving donors value the opportunity to support nonprofits like ours, knowing that they'll get regular updates about how their donations are put to work.

Our fundraising project (which exceeded the goal) sought to raise the donations needed to finish The JOY Home and establish our first day center - to provide clean drinking water, a working septic system, a water heater, an on-site kennel for the two therapy dogs, and safety/therapy equipment for the children.

We are really excited about being part of the GlobalGiving team and have already seen the impact of raising awareness for orphans in North Macedonia!

OUR TEAM



The Founders

Zoran and Jennifer Naskov

Board Members



Kassie Wilson



Mike Kozlinski



Melinda Helle



Betty Easter



Nastassia Naskov

Volunteers



Faith Minter



Dustin Minter



Aleks Naskov



Ana Dajovska