



PFR SIE-05622

We work on the street. "Challenges and light spots on the bottom step." District meeting 2014

SECTION 1: PROJECT INFORMATION

1. This is a:	Kristiansand ()
2. Contact person for this project	Veslemøy Klingsheim
3. Contact person's email	kristiansand@soroptimistnorway.no
4. Project title	We work on the street. "Challenges and light spots on the bottom step." District meeting 2014
5. Project start date	01/10/2014
Project end date	01/10/2014
Ongoing	No

7. Did you have a partner for this project such as another Soroptimist Club or an external organisation?

Soroptimist partner : Flekkefjord(Club partner)
Soroptimist partner : Lister(Club partner)
Soroptimist partner : Mandal(Club partner)
Soroptimist partner : Kristiansand Ost(Club partner)
Soroptimist partner : Arendal(Club partner)
External partner : District meeting in Kristiansand October 11th, 2014 Attending representatives from other clubs. Lecturers: - Harald Sødal, former Mayor of Kristiansand - Ms Liv Bente Sunde, Field Nurse, Municipality of Kristiansand - Ms Marianne Vium Olesen, Street Lawyer

SECTION 2: PROGRAMME OBJECTIVES

Economic Empowerment

SECTION 3: THE STORY OF YOUR PROJECT

8. Please summarise your project in one sentence:

District meeting and panel debate to raise awareness about the challenges vulnerable groups in our community face (rug addicts, trafficking)

9. Why did your Club/Union choose to do this project? What issue did you tackle with this project?

Raise awareness about the challenges vulnerable groups in our community face. Vulnerable groups being, drug addicts, trafficked persons, prostitutes and beggars. Inspire to start local projects to raise awareness and to support both helpers and those in need for support and help.

10. How did you implement this project? What concrete actions did you take to tackle the issue you mentioned in the previous question?

District meeting with Soroptimist Clubs of Region South 1, Norway Initiate speaker: Harald Sødal (Pioneers in skirts: Outstanding women from Kristiansand) Lectures by: - Ms Liv Bente Sunde, Field Nurse. (Healthcare for drug addicts. Prostitution in Kristiansand). - Ms Marianne Vium Olesen, Street Lawyer (Legal support for inmates and people living on the street) - Ms Kari Klingsheim, Field Sergeant, (Romanian beggars living under the city bridge) Panel debate with the lecturers and meeting participants.

11. Did you encounter any problems in organising or running your project? If yes, please tell us what they were.

12. How did you solve this problem? What did your Club/Union learn from solving these problems that you would like to share with other Soroptimists who might find themselves in the same situation?

Inspire to start local projects and raise awareness to support both helpers and those in need of support and help.

13. Did the members of your Club/Union consider this project a success? Why or why not?

Participating clubs came up with ideas for supporting running projects:- Knitting project for Romanian women- Workshop project for Romanian men (From beggars cup to screwdriver) and project of their own:- making toilet bags filled with necessities, for field nurse as giveaways. Arrange an open public meeting and put more emphasis on trafficking and gender violence. Also invite other lecturers as police, customs, taxi-drivers and others.

SECTION 4 : PROJECT RESULTS

15. Our project's main target were:

- Women

16. How many people benefited from your project in total?

17. How much money did you raise? (funds raised, in kind contribution, cash, etc...) (in EUR) ?

279€

SECTION 6: SUPPORTING MATERIALS

"Women's Voices": Do you have a nice story or quote from a woman or girl who directly benefitted from this project? If yes, please share it with us in the space below: