

Vanadzor Orran - 2nd Quarter 2012 Operations Report

The report outlines the Vanadzor Orran April – June activities in the following sections:

- General Remarks
- Academic Assistance to Children
- Social Services
- Medical Assistance
- Cultural Enrichment and Activities
- Staff/Administration

1. GENERAL REMARKS

At the end of the reported period there were 53 daily beneficiaries at Orran.

	April	May	June
Number of children	54	54	53

The following 4 children left the Orran program:

Karen Navasardyan moved Georgia.

Karine Navasardyan moved to Georgia

Volodya Atabekyan had regular absences and disruptive behavior.

Susanna Ghazaryan left Orran due to financial improvement in the family.

Within the reported period 4 children joined the program. They all come from very poor families:

1. Chikisheva Syuzan (6 years old) - The child came from Orran of Yerevan as they got a cottage in Vanadzor.
2. Hamlet Badikyan (12 years) and Emanuel Badikyan (9 years old) – The children were referred to Orran within “Aravot” NGO social assistance program.

2. ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE TO CHILDREN

2.1 Groups & Workshops

The Orran children actively participate in the educational classes and workshops and positive results are also observed at their schools. The table below shows the number of children engaged in the activities. Pottery classes didn't continue since pottery teacher Gnel Hakobyan left Orran. (He moved to Moscow.)

	Junior (Marieta Soghoyan)	Middle (Gayane Manucharyan)
Groups	24 children	30 children

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Woodwork/twice a week/ Teacher - Edgar Mkrtchyan	3	12
Church lessons/once a week/ Priest Nerses	24	30
Handicrafts/ 5 days a week/ / volunteer -Zhanna Yesayan/	6	9
English Lessons group /Michael Zier/	0	8
Photographing lessons organized by CISP Italian organization	2 /from 5 June /	9 /from 5 June /
Fencing group/Khachik Loryan/	1	5

2.2 Volunteers

Throughout the reported period the Orran activities actively engaged volunteers. The table below presents the number of volunteers and the total hours of their service.

April	May	June
14 volunteers /6 in junior and 8 in middle group/	14 volunteers 6 in junior group and 8 in middle group/	13 volunteers /5 in junior and 8 in middle group/
226 hours	196 hours	168 hours

3. SOCIAL SERVICES

3.1 Social Work

Currently, there are 54 beneficiaries from 37 families at Orran. The table below presents the social work statistics. Also, here are a few examples of the social work conducted within the reported period:

1. The legal procedure of Nune Tomoyan's case is over. Orran, together with the Committee of the Custody and the Trusty department of the Municipality, won the legal procedure of recognition of Nune's fatherhood after her father's death, which will help Nune to get the apartment and will protect her rights.

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2. Thanks to Orran efforts, Anahit Movsisyan and Hasmik Qaramyan have been operated in Vanadzor Hospital #1 though free of charge.
3. Orran also organized free medical operation for Anahit Movsisyan's mother in Yerevan Hospital.
4. All the Orran children got hygienic packages from Greek Community

	April	May	June	Total
Advice to/meeting with Orran families	10	7	2	19
Individual meeting with children for various reasons	9	11	8	28
Meeting with new families	0	2	3	5
Home visits with Orran families	5	8	2	15
Social advice to walk-ins	2	5	18	25
Telephone contacts with various persons	10	12	25	47

3.2 Psychological Assistance

The psychological support continues to be provided by Orran psychologist Vardan Ayvazyan. The main goal is to create a positive atmosphere to ensure healthy child development at Orran.

	Individual work	Work in groups	Work with parents	Work with staff	Work with volunteers	Total
April	11	6	7	2	3	29
May	12	5	18	1	1	37
June	18	7	10	1	0	36
Total	41	18	35	4	4	102

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4. MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Throughout the quarter regular check-ups of the Orran children for head lice detection were carried out. Twice a month the children had classes on hygiene and emergency help. The table below presents the topics of the workshops.

N	Date	Topic
1	06.04.12	Personal hygiene
2	19.04.12	The importance of washing hands
3	16.05.12	Protection of surroundings
4	30.05.12	Safety and safe lifestyle
5	06.06.12	Why Smoking is Dangerous for My Health
6	16.06.12	Conscious Attitude to Food

5. CULTURAL ENRICHMENT AND ACTIVITIES

Throughout the reported period the Orran children participated in a great number of activities and events presented in the table below.

April	3	The children participated in “The future of Vanadzor” party held in the park of Artsakh.
	28	Youth group from EuroAsia Fund visited Orran and had lunch with children.
	4	Cleanup activities in the park next to Orran.
	7	Easter party at Orran.
	11	The house blessing by priest Nerses when the children got Easter eggs by the church.
	17	Participation in the action devoted to the Armenian printing in the regional library where Orran was acknowledged for collaboration.
	23	Seminar about Armenian Genocide
	25	Seminar about animals and amphibians
	26	The boys visited Bogdan Hovannisyan' studio and watched him crossing stones.
	May	17
19		The children participated in the "The night of Museum" held at Stepan Zoryan's house museum and then in the yard of the Art museum.
22		A visit to the Art museum to participate in the party organized by CISP organization.
30		Seven children took part in the program of "Fortuna" TV devoted to the children's protection.
	31	The “last bell” celebration at Orran
June	1	All the children performed at the gala concert of the city contest at Sharl Aznavour cultural palace and five Orran children were awarded with diplomas by the "Save the children" organization.
	9	The volunteers of Fuller Center for Housing visited Orran.
	9	Ara Arakelyan, Director of the Employment center of Lori region, awarded 4 Orran volunteers with certificates of accomplishment.

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	9	"I am safe, you are safe" seminar, organized by "Save the children"
	23	Twenty children got free tickets for the Vanadzor puppet theatre show.
	25	The volunteers of Fuller Center for Housing visited Orran bringing warm jackets and 60 dollars for the children.
June	28	22 children went to the "Doctor Aybolit" performance at dramatic theatre. The entrance for the Orran children was free of charge.

Also, one of Orran children Lilit Nalbandyan and former beneficiary Anna Varosyan, who is now volunteering at Orran, participated in a one-week camp in Stepanavan organized by Peace Corps.

Orran teacher Gayane Manucharyan and volunteer Armine Apresyan participated in the "Life for children" film watching event by CISP organization.

On May 7-11, two Orran volunteers, Marietta Soghoyan and Armine Apresyan, participated in the teacher training on Montessori's Method organized by CISP organization and were awarded with certificates of accomplishment.

6. STAFF/ADMINISTRATION

Throughout the quarter, staff meetings and meetings with parents were held regularly once or twice a month. Below is the list of the Vanadzor Orran staff members:

	Function/Position	Name	%
1	Director	Mariam Manucharyan	100
2	Social Worker	Lusine Akmakchyan	50
3	Educator-Pedagogy/Middle group/	Gayane Manucharyan	50
4	Educator-Pedagogy/Junior group/		50
5	Psychologist	Vardan Ayvazyan	50
6	Teacher /Makrame/		50
7	Teacher /Pottery/		50
8	Teacher /Wood Carving/	Edgar Mkrtchyan	50
9	Nurse	Armine Margaryan	50
10	Chief Cook	Fenya Soghomyan	100
11	Assistant Cook	Karine Hambardzumyan	100
12	Technical worker	Svetlana Hayrapetyan	50

30.06.2012/Mariam Manucharyan