

Newsletter
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ROMANIA – Voivodeni
Ukrainian refugees

Dear Friends and Supporters,



For the second year in a row, SB Foundation partially finances a special day when Ukrainian children and youth who have arrived as refugees to Voivodeni and neighboring villages can get together with each other. Neither they nor their leaders know when they can return to their homeland. Teachers and clergy work together to organize programs so that for a moment the young people can forget the difficulties they are encountering. "We pray for peace, arrange competitions and sports activities, and provide pizza and "fika" [coffee or equivalent, with baked goods]. In this way we try to give them unforgettable memories





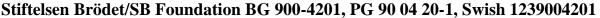
and relaxation," Denes Csaba reports to SB Foundation. – Denes has also asked the Foundation to pay for some of the surveillance cameras needed to protect the refugees' possessions such as passports, documents, telephones, laptop computers, credit cards, etc. Locals as well as outsiders come to play on the sports field, and it is uncertain who is doing what. After all, this concerns refugees from a neighboring country at war with another nation. The law about surveillance has been instituted to protect the refugees. Only police and the priest have the right to view the films.



Yet another group of children has recently arrived to Voivodeni as refugees, Denes Csaba tells us and sends this photo. The children come from the seriously battered Kharkiv region in Ukraine. The congregation in Voivodeni is doing its utmost to arrange matters as well as possible for them and SB Foundation provides financial assistance. But night and day they carry with them the burden of knowing the horrors of war, missing their parents, relatives, and friends, and

their worry about what might have happened to their loved ones. Although we read about the war in Swedish newspapers and hear about it on radio and television, it is difficult for us to understand what every individual exposed to war – adults as well children – endures.

Warm greetings from the **SB Foundation** via us on the Board, Arne, Elisabeth, Gloria, Lena, Roger



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