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OPENING STATEMENT

Dear Friends,

As we reflect on 2023, we recognize a year of significant change and transformative progress. The ever-evolving landscape in Greece and beyond—shaped by geopolitical shifts in Ukraine, Palestine, and other regions—has only heightened the importance of education as a means to build a more inclusive and cohesive society for future generations.

In Greece, despite the progress made, significant gaps in the education system persist and prevent displaced children and youth from accessing quality education. These gaps have driven us to launch Gekko in Athens, providing personalized support to those most in need. Gekko is a non-formal education center for displaced children and young people aged 15-24. Building on the methodology developed and proven over the years at Gekko Kids, Gekko in Athens offers context-aware personalized education and counseling tailored to the distinct needs of our students.

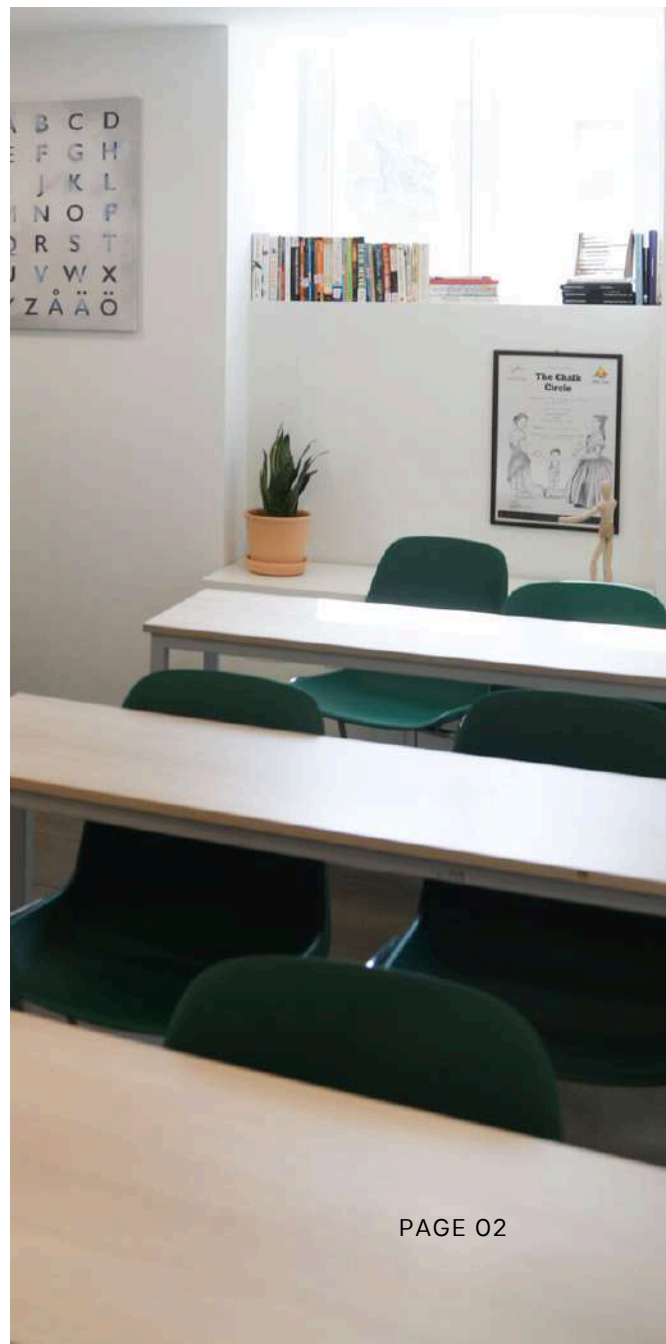
Through this year of constant assessment, the Better Days team has demonstrated notable resilience and innovation. Together, with both new and longstanding members of our family, we've navigated complex barriers to education and developed an exemplary non-formal education center that has become a beacon of hope for many. Moreover, amidst global upheavals and local uncertainties, our commitment to developing a sustainable and impactful organization has never been stronger. From launching Gekko to expanding our know-how in areas integral to our perseverance, we have laid a solid foundation for future development.

This report provides evidence of a growing demand for Better Days' high-quality services, which is echoed in the positive feedback from our students. As we move forward, we remain steadfast in our mission to provide access to education and support for young people affected by displacement. Your unwavering faith in our work and our candid conversations are invaluable as we continue to build and strengthen this team. Together, we will ensure that Better Days thrive, providing opportunities and hope to those who need it most.

Thank you for your dedication and partnership.



ELENA MOUSTAKA
Co-Founder & Managing Director



SITUATION OVERVIEW

Rising needs amid global crises

With global conflicts and crises on the rise, the number of people seeking protection in Europe surged significantly in 2023, especially among unaccompanied asylum-seeking children (UASC). This trend was particularly evident in Greece, where the number of new arrivals increased by 159% compared to 2022 (UNHCR Greece 2023). Of the 14,631 children who arrived in Greece in 2023, 2,937, or 20%, were unaccompanied (AIDA, GCR, ECRE 2023).

Decline in support services

Another worrying trend emerged in 2023: a significant number of NGOs were no longer able to secure funding for their operations in Greece and were forced to pause or discontinue their programs. The overall situation of refugees in Greece has therefore hardly improved: although progress and efficiencies have been made in some areas, we are rapidly moving into an alarming situation where increasing demand for support services is met with ever decreasing resources.

Challenges in education

For displaced children and young people, access to education and integration is particularly important. Unfortunately, the situation in Greece in this context is discouraging. The official figures on school enrolment and attendance rates may give hope that the situation has improved. In reality, however, we are a long way from an acceptable situation. The statistics are hardly reliable, especially as the methodology and coverage need to be heavily scrutinized. The available school services are in most cases of insufficient quality and fail to meet the specific needs of young people with a refugee background. Last but not least, a worrying number of young displaced individuals of educationally relevant age remain cut off from educational opportunities.

Main barriers to education in Greece

- **Bureaucracy:** Complex admissions procedures, lack of coordination among authorities, and inadequate information about available options.
- **Capacity issues:** Insufficient seats and staff, especially in urban areas like Athens.
- **Admission refusals:** Reports of school officials unjustly refusing admission based on legal status, enrollment timing, or language barriers.
- **Structural limitations:** Limited capacity in reception classes and age restrictions for public school attendance.
- **Lack of recognition of prior learning:** Difficulties in receiving recognition for previous education, certification.

Barriers to attendance, performance

- **Language barriers:** Little support for students to gain proficiency in Greek and English in order to keep up in school.
- **Financial burdens:** Lack of resources to cover the costs of transportation, meals, and school materials.
- **System challenges:** Low cultural competence among public school teachers, xenophobia, no personalized support.
- **Socioeconomic pressures:** Cuts in support services result in the need to work rather than attend school. Administrative requirements conflict with livelihood obligations.
- **Family support issues:** Insufficient support for families attempting to navigate a new system as they face existential challenges and the stress of displacement.
- **Insufficient learning support:** Lack of tutoring, homework help, and psychosocial support services.

Gaps in non-formal education

- **Capacity limitations:** Limited services, one-size-fits-all approach, and insufficient funding lead to service decline.
- **Volunteer dependency:** High reliance on volunteers results in high turnover and inconsistency in service delivery.

Interested in learning more about the challenges displaced young people face in accessing education in Greece?



Tune into "[Dude, Where's My History Teacher?](#)", a conversation with BD Co-Founder Elena Moustaka on ReFOCUS Media Labs' *Fractured* podcast.



GEKKO MOVES TO ATHENS

Following changing conditions on the Greek islands, Better Days moves its award-winning educational program to the Greek capital.

FROM LESVOS TO ATHENS

Adapting to new realities

After the general conditions for the reception of displaced people on the Greek islands changed drastically in 2022, we were forced to discontinue our long-standing Gekko Kids project on Lesbos with heavy hearts.

We left Lesbos with keen awareness of the barriers preventing many displaced young people from accessing the education and belonging they long for, and confident in the positive impact of the Gekko model. After an in-depth needs assessment, consultation with dozens of NGOs, and interviews with a large number of young people on the move, we identified a clear need for education and context-aware counseling in Athens. In true Gekko form, we were determined to adapt! In 2023, we embarked on our new mission to pilot an informal education center for young people affected by displacement in Athens.

We faced the opportunities and challenges that come with a new location, new partners, new conditions, and new needs; between deciding to pilot Gekko in Athens and welcoming the first new Gekko students, we had a lot of work ahead of us.

The Gekko Approach: breaking down barriers to education

Personalized education & SEL

Displaced learners are vastly diverse by any measure, including cultural background, educational level, life experiences and situations. One-size-fits-all approaches are therefore doomed to fail. Gekko employs personalized learning and development plans tailored to the individual needs and goals of each student. To support students' personal development and sense of belonging, we incorporate socio-emotional learning (SEL) practices into all Gekko activities.

Positive space

Many young people from the displaced community live in precarious conditions. A positive, friendly environment is essential to facilitating students' development and learning success, and allows students to overcome challenges and work towards their futures. Gekko is intentionally designed to promote belonging, normality, and dignity for all.

Needs-based and context-aware support

Displaced learners have needs that extend beyond the classroom. At Gekko, we are committed to providing holistic, needs-based support through extended services like counseling, service referrals, financial assistance, and case management. Gekko's staff are experienced in working with the displaced community and undergo all relevant training.

Students as co-designers

Gekko prioritizes participant input at every stage, recognizing that the best source for learning what displaced young people need is the young people themselves. Designed for and with the community, Gekko empowers participants to actively shape the development of the program.

Best practice and collaboration

At Gekko, we are committed to quality and effectiveness. We apply evidence-based teaching and support methods, follow management best practices, and make human-centered and data-driven decisions. We work closely with partners within the sector and public authorities to maintain a broad network, ensuring that Gekko participants access the best services available.

An award-winning model

In 2021, Gekko Kids was selected by the 5th Global Entreprs Awards Committee from among 5,000 candidates in 126 territories as one of the 100 Best Practices in the World on Sustainability, Innovation and Good Governance. In bringing Gekko to Athens, we have made this award-winning approach available to a new cohort of displaced learners.

PREPARING TO LAUNCH

Find a place, create a space

To ensure that Gekko in Athens would be accessible as possible to our target population, we needed a premises in a safe area that is well-connected to public transportation, and ideally within walking distance from housing and support facilities for the displaced community. With an additional requirement that the space have a capacity of at least 100 students, we visited dozens of sites before finding the right space for Gekko in the Exarcheia neighborhood, just across from the Viktoria Square metro stop.

After hundreds of hours of preparation, several evenings of fitting out and furnishing late into the night, and countless souvlakis, we transformed an empty space into the welcoming, beautiful new home of Gekko in Athens. But a space is only as welcoming as the people who nurture it. After a pause in operations and the relocation efforts, we naturally also had to build up a new team.



Building the dream team

Rebuilding the core BD team tasked with running Gekko was a project in itself! While filling certain key positions proved challenging, we remained vigilant. As they say, “seek and you shall find.”

Over the past year, the BD family has grown with the addition of brilliant new team members. Speaking several languages and representing various nationalities, the Gekko team brings a wealth of academic and professional experience in education, child protection, and humanitarian aid. Perhaps most importantly, we are passionately united by our mission to support displaced young people on their educational and life journeys. Key team members include:



Academic Coordinator: Oversees Gekko's academic program; trains staff, develops and approves teaching materials, and monitors the quality of teaching to ensure consistency with BD's methodology and quality standards.



STEM Coordinator: Develops and approves STEM-specific teaching materials, trains staff and ensures quality teaching that takes into account the diverse backgrounds and characteristics of Gekko students.



English Language Coordinator: Manages day-to-day English curriculum, coordinates supporting teachers and volunteers, and promotes protective, personalized and inclusive education.



Project Manager/School Counselor: Oversees the entire project from initiation to completion; manages resources, partnerships, donors, and relationships with national and international institutions. As a mental health professional, ensures the provision of MHPSS to students and staff, aligning with BD's 'Protection for All' policy.



Volunteer Coordinator: Manages volunteer recruitment, fosters beneficial volunteer relationships, expands BD's worldwide alumni base, and explores new volunteer recruitment opportunities with organizations in Greece and abroad.



Admissions Officer: Processes applications, provides individual support and personalized educational plans for new students. Ensures compliance with the admissions process to ensure a positive experience for all students.



Communications and Fundraising Officer: Responsible for internal communications at Gekko and all public BD platforms; ensures the sustainability of Gekko by attracting new donors and funding partners.

Volunteers: invaluable supporters

All BD projects have relied heavily on volunteer efforts and, without these passionate supporters, we would not be where we are today. We were particularly excited to ramp up our volunteer program in 2023. Our wonderful Gekko volunteers have contributed hundreds of hours of teaching, student communication, admissions, and administrative support and enriched Gekko with their expertise, passion and ideas.

BD Management: leading the way

Our Management team, represented by Elena Moustaka, Kiki Velychko, Anna Taxeidi and Andrew Foley, invested the utmost dedication in building Gekko. In addition to creating the premises, building team capacity, and training new staff, they designed Gekko's standard operating procedures in Athens and expanded departments like M&E and Fundraising.

In collaboration with Management, the team has made great progress in developing the program structure, curriculum, procedures and protocols. Given the results, only one conclusion can be drawn: the Gekko team rocks! We can't imagine finding such dedication anywhere else.

LAUNCHING THE GEKKO PILOT IN ATHENS

Summer School

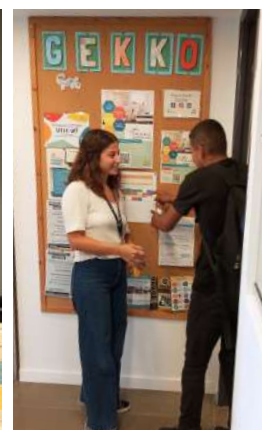
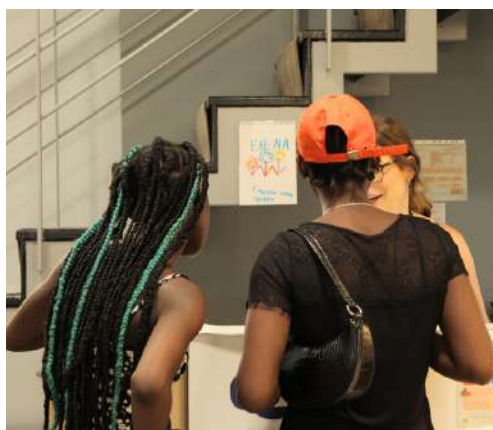
By summer 2023, the premises was ready to be filled with life, a great new team was in place, and the key procedures and program elements were established. We were ready to open Gekko's doors and welcome our first students! With great excitement, we launched the 6-week summer programme for 40 students in July. The Summer School program offered children and young people affected by displacement fast-paced learning through targeted educational activities in small groups. The curriculum focused on building proficiency in Greek language, IT and STEM subjects and offered a series of workshops on employability for people of all ages.

The Summer program afforded us a valuable opportunity to test and refine our procedures under real-life conditions, and to get to know our student community and better understand their needs.

Kicking off the pilot academic year

As the summer heat wave finally passed in September, we stood as a close-knit team ready to embark on the first official Gekko school year in Athens. During the 12-week fall semester, our student body grew notably: 80 young people ages 15-24 attended Gekko, made new friends, and received valuable educational and personal support. Informed by the gaps in Athens' support structures and the needs of our students, Gekko offers the following services:

- **Core subjects:** Greek, English IT
- **Tutoring:** Greek, English, IT, Math, Chemistry, Physics
- **Homework support:** for public school students
- **Counseling:** educational and career counseling, psychosocial support
- **Studentships:** Cost of living support for eligible students pursuing higher education/professional certification
- **Certification:** preparation and fees for language and IT certifications, Panhellenic exam prep
- **Edu+ Support:** covering costs for transportation and meals
- **Student Kits:** learning materials, writing utensils, and laptops for in-house use
- **Extracurricular Activities:** workshops, seminars, excursions, community events
- **Referrals:** pathways to third-party services



MEET THE GEKKO STUDENT BODY

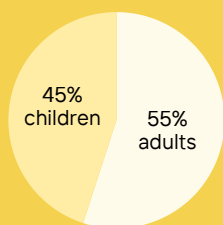
In Gekko's first six months, we have seen a clear demand for our services: more than 160 displaced children and young people applied to access Gekko services from July to December 2023. Gekko's student population is extremely heterogeneous by any measure: students differ in age, language competency, literacy level, educational background, personal circumstances, mental wellbeing, and distinct aspirations. What unites the student body is extraordinary resiliency, a powerful motivation to learn, and unwavering commitment to working towards a better future.



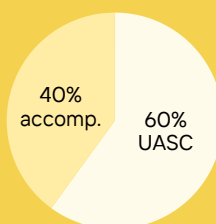
Gekko students represent **21 distinct nationalities**. The top 5 countries of origin are Afghanistan, Somalia, Ukraine, Syria, and Cameroon.



75% of Gekko students self-identify as male, 25% as female. No student identified in another category.



Gekko services are available exclusively to ages 15-24. Of the active students, **45% are children (ages 15-17) and 55% are adults (18-24).**



Among Gekko's child participants, at least **60% are unaccompanied or separated (UASC).**

Gekko fills significant gaps in the Athenian educational landscape, provides an important bridge to Greek public schools, and facilitates access to other essential services including housing, medical and legal aid, and MHPSS support. Additional insights from the first months of operation include:

Unaccompanied or separated children and young people

- On the occasion of their 18th birthdays, most UASC lose access to basic services because they are no longer eligible to reside in children's shelters. Gekko remains a **stable resource** and supports plan-making as students approach the 'age of maturity.'

Education access

- Around **40% of the active student body are enrolled in Greek public education** but express difficulty keeping up due to insufficient support or unfair treatment. Many students mention feeling lonely and isolated, even being bullied by peers and/or experiencing xenophobia from teachers. For these students, Gekko represents an opportunity to make friends, build community, and find a sense of belonging. Public school students attend Gekko to improve their language and IT skills and receive assistance with homework in order to keep up and succeed in the public education system.
- Some of our students attend other non-formal education programs in addition to Gekko. **For around 40% of the participants, however, Gekko is their only access to education.** The reasons for this limited access are manifold and include age limits, language barriers, legal or administrative hurdles, lack of available courses, and financial obstacles.

Student employment

- Around **a quarter of Gekko students report having jobs.** However, most are employed unofficially and under sometimes exploitative conditions. Gekko's services increase opportunities in education and the labor market, building pathways to more dignified employment.

Reasons for attending Gekko

- Gekko students express a **wide variety of goals** related to education, career, and personal development in their registration interviews. Many students mention a desire to become proficient in Greek in order to communicate with local people and/or in English in order to communicate in a "global language." A significant number of students attend Gekko to improve their academic and professional opportunities. Implicit in this is a desire for greater stability and better quality of life.

Gekko according to the students

As pleased as our team was with Gekko's progress, were our students as satisfied with the program? In order to generate the greatest possible impact and tailor our services to actual needs, we conduct regular surveys to assess student satisfaction. The results of the survey at the end of fall semester 2023 clearly demonstrated that we are surely on the right track. Our students were able to point out some potential for improvement in the premises and Edu+ support, and expressed a desire for more courses, increased lesson frequency, and community events. On the whole, **100% of students were satisfied or very satisfied with the overall Gekko experience.**



Hear from students about their experiences at Gekko

"I am **proud** to be a student at Gekko, it brings me joy, everyone is smiling and that makes me so happy."

"I am thankful for very nice time with a GEKKO, for studying, for positive time, friends. I **respect** you desire to improve Gekko and to become better."

"The learning i received at Gekko is very positive. Teachers is an **extraordinary teacher.**"

"The behaviour of the teachers and **all staff.** Haven't seen any staff like that anywhere else."

"the teachers are very good. [they] are so supportive and they always try to make me understand the lessons in good way. the place is near and **i always feel comfortable** to talk to the team. everyone is kind and nice to me"

"**Very nice place** I can come and learn"

Concluding the year as a community

Encouraged by this great feedback, we had a special pleasure to end the first semester with a Christmas party with students and project partners. The intimate and cheerful atmosphere at the event showed us once again that Gekko is not just a school. Gekko is a community and a place where children and young people from all kinds of backgrounds can find safety, a sense of belonging, and encouragement.



GEKKO STUDENTSHIPS: REACHING HIGHER

Overview

In addition to those without access to education or who need assistance to keep up in the public school system, there is another group who require additional support to realize their great potential: young people affected by displacement who aspire to attend higher education or earn professional certification. Access to tertiary education for displaced learners is critically low, with the most recent UN data showing only 6 percent of refugees enrolled in higher education globally.

BD's Studentship Program covers essential living expenses for young adults who are enrolled in university or seeking professional certification. In 2023, we supported 11 students and committed over 18,000 EUR to Studentships and student grants. Apart from receiving cost-of-living support, the scholars have access to Gekko's counseling, educational and community services.

Feedback from the scholars

"The studentship has been a tremendous support for both me and my family. [...] In essence, the studentship has made a significant difference in our lives, and we are immensely grateful to Better Days and all the individuals who generously donate their time and resources to help us."

K.N.B., AGE 20, IRAN

University, 2nd year

Studying Electrical and Computer Engineering



"I can confidently say that the Studentship has been a game-changer for me in reaching my educational goals. [...] I am grateful for the support Studentship provides, as it has significantly boosted my confidence and academic performance."

M.K., AGE 23, AFGHANISTAN

High School, 3rd year



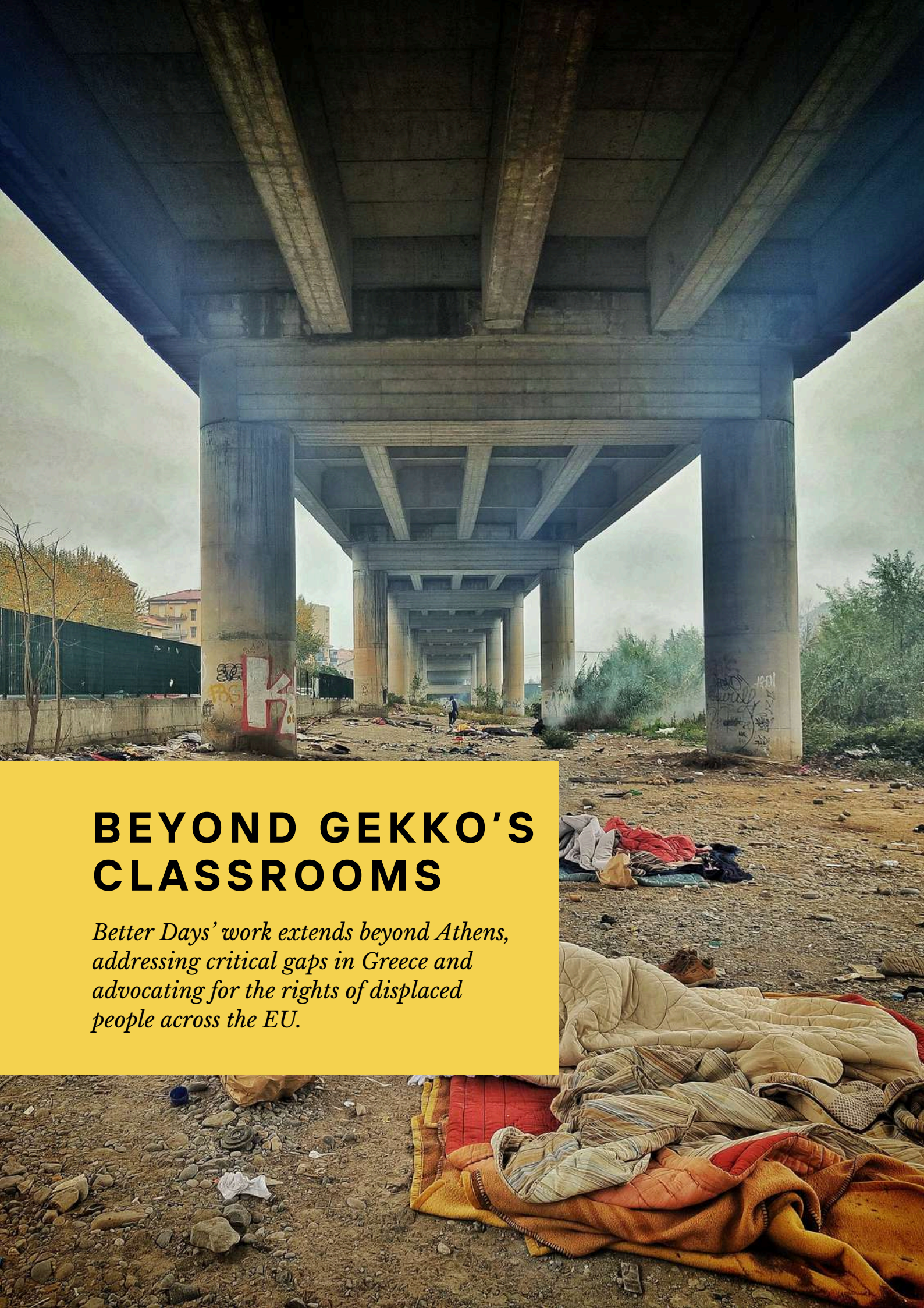
"The financial support generously provided by Better Days has been a game-changer for me academically. It has relieved the burden of financial stress, allowing me to focus wholeheartedly on my studies and pursue extracurricular opportunities that enhance my learning experience."

O.M.K., AGE 20, SIERRA LEONE

University, 2nd year

Studying Computer Science





BEYOND GEKKO'S CLASSROOMS

Better Days' work extends beyond Athens, addressing critical gaps in Greece and advocating for the rights of displaced people across the EU.

UASC ON THE FRENCH-ITALIAN BORDER

Transcending national boundaries in migration support

Migration inherently involves crossing borders, making it essential that support for displaced children and young people transcend national boundaries. While BD's recent efforts have focused primarily on Greece, we have a history of supporting initiatives beyond the Greek territory and plan to expand these efforts.

Italy's unaccompanied children crisis

In 2023, we assessed the situation of displaced unaccompanied children in European countries heavily impacted by migration. Italy emerged as a significant concern, with an estimated 21,000 unaccompanied children present in 2023—more than ten times the number during the peak migration year of 2015.

Critical conditions in Ventimiglia

BD's in-depth research on the situation faced by UASC in Italy highlighted the precarious situation in Ventimiglia, on the southern border of Italy and France. In November, a BD team conducted a field assessment in Ventimiglia and the surrounding area. Through direct observations, conversations with local NGOs and solidarity groups, and consultations with individuals from the population of concern, we confirmed the severe conditions and rights violations at this crossing point.

Harsh realities and the struggle to survive

For many of the displaced unaccompanied children in Italy, Ventimiglia serves as a transit station on their difficult journey to France and beyond, where they can be reunited with their families or find hope for a safer, better life. In their attempts to cross the border, they regularly face police brutality, arbitrary and collective detentions under absolutely inhumane and unlawful conditions, and illegal pushbacks by French border guards or police. Despite these harsh realities, their determination to continue the journey remains unbroken, leading them to repeatedly attempt to cross the border – which sadly has already claimed several lives. After failed attempts, these children typically end up back in Ventimiglia, homeless and surviving on only one meal a day provided by local solidarity groups. Except for Médecins du Monde and Médecins Sans Frontières, locally active NGOs generally operate from their premises and are rarely present at the actual locations where unaccompanied minors stay. Thus, this particularly vulnerable population is largely left to fend for themselves, with alarmingly poor access to basic assistance, valid information, legal advice, mental health and psychosocial support, and general protection.

Information for future action

In December, our team documented this critical situation in a comprehensive report, which will inform potential interventions by BD and support partner organizations dedicated to protecting displaced unaccompanied children.



ADVOCACY AND SECTOR COLLABORATION

Overview

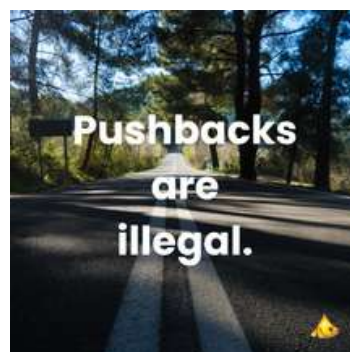
Using and sharing our platform to advocate for the rights of people affected by displacement continued to be a key priority for BD in 2023. As an active member of various advocacy coalitions, we joined peer organizations in raising public awareness about issues related to displacement and calling on Greek and EU officials to protect human rights. Issues of concern included chronically poor conditions in Closed Controlled Access Centers (CCACs), authorities engaging in violent illegal pushbacks of migrants, and opposition to the EU's "New Pact on Migration," which represents a serious threat to the fundamental rights and protection for people seeking asylum.

Strengthening the network of support in Athens

Moving Gekko to Athens provided an opportunity to re-engage with past partner organizations, build new partnerships, and solidify BD's place as an important player in the network of support services available to the displaced community in the Greek capital. Through our services at Gekko, we have built strong referral partnerships with various types of actors, including minors' shelters, vocational training programs, and specialized MHPSS providers. These partnerships, in addition to enabling us to meet the needs of Gekko participants, deepen our understanding of the migration situation in Greece and empower us to identify areas where BD's experience and expertise can make a difference.

BD has always valued close collaborations with like-minded organizations. As of the end of 2023, BD works with over 30 organizations in Greece who provide insight, expertise, and inspiration. We see our field of work as an ecosystem in which every actor plays an important role, and which thrives on collaboration and embracing synergies: complementing rather than duplicating, supporting instead of competing, and joining forces over fighting alone.

In 2023 we contributed 4,252 EUR to in-kind and monetary donations to partner organizations working in Athens and Lesbos, including: Project Armonia, Vivliothiki Vrissas, One Happy Family, Ankaa, Refocus Media Labs, Saffron Kitchen, One Happy Family, Athens Nursery Home. We continue to provide consultancy and development support for peer organizations and play a key role in the overall network of support services for people affected by displacement in Greece.



BUILDING BETTER DAYS

Through a year of project development, team-building, and advocacy, the team invests in the longterm sustainability of the organization.



ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT



We made a firm commitment to elevating BD in 2023, focusing on increasing the organization's professionalism, sustainability, and impact. Given our limited resources, this work would not have been possible without the strong commitment of our board and BD supporters who contributed hundreds of hours of volunteer work. Throughout the year and under professional guidance, we conducted numerous workshops to systematically analyze, discuss, and refine BD strategies. While this process was challenging and time-consuming, we have appreciated every moment. The results will form a solid foundation and guideline for our future activities, helping us commit our resources and efforts with the greatest possible impact for the benefit of displaced children and young people.



In 2024, our organizational development efforts will be reflected in our visual identity, specifically in new branding and website redesign. Furthermore, we have invested significantly in the restructuring and expansion of our Communication and Fundraising department and will continue to develop new strategies and activities with the same intensity in 2024. We are confident that we will soon see the fruits of this work and mobilize many new supporters for our cause.



FINANCIAL OVERVIEW

The following figures represent the financial situation of the two organizations (Better Days and Better Days Greece). The annual financial statements of the individual organizational units can be viewed separately on our [website](#).

<i>2023 starting balance</i>	€127,092
<i>Donations received in 2023</i>	€481,930

2023 spending breakdown		
<i>Programming</i>	€387,284.09	83.1%
<i>Administration</i>	€39,445.11	8.45%
<i>Fundraising</i>	€28,181.41	6.05%
<i>Development & training</i>	€11,077.60	2.4%
<i>Total</i>	€465,988.21	100%

The above tables represent the integrated amounts for Better Days Greece and Better Days Switzerland.

Donors



Individual donors

107 individuals donated to Better Days projects on GlobalGiving.

- 95 one-time donors
- 12 recurring donors



2024 PREVIEW

Gekko in Athens

Although Gekko's pilot phase will continue until the end of August 2024, it is already clear that the program in Athens is urgently needed and should be continued. In 2024, we will therefore focus on expanding Gekko's reach in Athens, enrolling additional students and refining Gekko's procedures and services. At the same time, we will work with the utmost energy and motivation to secure the necessary funding and operational partnerships to ensure that Gekko becomes fully operational in September 2024 and will run for at least three years.

Scaling up the Studentship program

Studentships have had an immense impact in 2023, and we currently manage a growing waitlist of qualified applicants. In order to increase educational and employment opportunities for even more young people affected by displacement in 2024, we will work towards expanding the program.

Expanding existing expertise to move into the future

Building on many years of expertise in child protection and the experience we have gained from our many projects in the humanitarian field, we aim to set the course to expand our range of programs again in 2024. We intend to focus particularly on supporting displaced children through the reintroduction of sport and development projects and interventions to protect unaccompanied minors in crisis settings.

Further organizational development

Although we still have a lot of work to do, we are very much looking forward to launching our new website in the second half of 2024 and introducing the new visual identity of Better Days.

We also plan to welcome new board members to Better Days in 2024, who will strengthen the organization strategically and with expert knowledge. Last but not least, in 2024 we will remain passionate about nurturing existing partnerships and winning new supporters and companions for our mission to support displaced children and young people!





Thank you!

We are glad to take this opportunity to express our sincere gratitude to the following individuals and organizations:

To BD program participants,

Your trust is the real driving force behind our work! We are endlessly amazed by your strength, and it is an enormous privilege to accompany you on this stage of your journey through life.

To BD employees & volunteers,

You are a constant source of motivation and inspiration! Your energy, ideas, and dedication to our cause are the heart of BD.

To our operational partners

We are strong with you! Thank you for sharing in our learning, problem-solving, and growth. It is an honor to have you as our allies.

To our donors,

Our work would not be possible without your trust and support! Thank you for standing by our side and accompanying us on our mission to build a better future alongside young people affected by displacement.



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