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# Celebrating 21 YEARS of ACTIVITY



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*The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the smallest intention.*

**Oscar Wilde**

# CELEBRATING 21 YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE

**The last years** have changed us and we are proud to share our new logo and mission with you:

**We serve humanity, one individual at a time, through higher education, modern medical treatments and community building programs.**

**As 2023 comes to an end,** we invite you to celebrate our tangible accomplishments from the past two decades:

3,000+ abandoned and vulnerable children were helped;

500+ Blue Heron Scholarship alumni graduated with college degrees, nurtured by our mentorship program;

400+ mentors who stayed the course with their students;

5,000+ Ukrainian refugees provided with food, shelter, much-needed medical treatments;

the \$3.5M+ raised for these initiatives from our caring donors!

Small but mighty, our vision exemplified Oscar Wilde's saying that "The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the smallest intention"...  
TOGETHER, WE TOOK ACTION.

**In February 2022,** the Russo-Ukrainian war created a humanitarian crisis with tens of thousands of refugees pouring into Romania and Moldova. Precisely because Blue Heron had infrastructure in place, we sprang into action and very quickly developed 12 separate humanitarian programs varying in scope and complexity. Our Cancer Care Program for Ukrainian refugees, spearheaded by Dr. Horia Vulpe, has assessed over 253 oncology patients and treated 162. Our program generated international interest, and two articles were published in the *European Journal of Cancer*, May 2023 and *Lancet Oncology*, November, 2023.

This past summer we celebrated 43 graduations, 31 in Romania and 12 in Moldova. Our students received both undergraduate and graduate degrees in fields ranging from engineering and informatics to law, medicine and social work. The Blue Heron team, helmed by Stefania Magidson, traveled to several cities in Romania and Moldova to interview new scholarship recipients and meet with current students.

The much-loved Blue Heron Summer Camp returned to the Brasov region in Romania for the first time since 2019! Our team organized activities meant to bond the 25 participating students, improve their skills and uplift their consciousness. There was hiking, dancing, music, improvisation and horseback riding as well as CV writing, job interview practice and motivational workshops.

A recent law in Romania has given students the choice to leave Child Protective Services and instead receive a monthly stipend. Blue Heron will no longer give financial assistance to those students, but will encourage them to remain in the BH Family as part of our Mentorship Program.

The above changes led us to think up additional strategies in order to continually help the most vulnerable youth who have the greatest academic potential. Starting this year, Blue Heron will also work with School Inspectorates in Romania to identify academically gifted youth from very impoverished backgrounds. We have already interviewed over a dozen such students who are in dire need of our financial and emotional support in order to succeed in college.

As well, in Moldova, our 28 students attending universities and vocational schools rely on our support more than ever.

We hope you will continue to walk with us so that together, we will work to tilt the balance of the world we all share toward the good.



## A MESSAGE FROM THE FOUNDER



These last three years we have all experienced what it means to be vulnerable against the backdrop of a vulnerable world, all of us unmoored, without a point of reference in our lifetime.

As you and I tried to find our footing and reprioritize what is of value to us on a personal level, communities and organizations, such as Blue Heron, have also tried to do the same.

Blue Heron continues to be actively engaged with our scholarship and mentorship programs in Romania and Moldova, has developed a dozen humanitarian programs during the Ukrainian refugee crisis and has created a robust Cancer Care Program that has saved hundreds of lives. Our selection process for awarding scholarships has become even more nuanced and complex in order to continuously ensure that we find the most vulnerable /deprived youth who, at the same time, are the most promising academically.

Please join me in uplifting our world as we lighten the burden of others, whether it be youth yearning to become independent through higher education, or the sick hoping to gain a few more years of the precious gift of life. As we continue to take determined steps, I am very grateful to all those who walk this path with me.

**Stefania Magidson**  
Founder & CEO

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## Stefania and the BH Team celebrated with students, alumni and mentors in Romania and Moldova while taking time to interview new scholarship recipients Bucharest.



A city whose root meaning is 'Happiness' saw a lot of smiles when the BH Family gathered together over an early dinner. Stefania recalls, "I always feel such a thrill when I see our students and mentors face-to-face. There's always the pressure to make every moment count! We start with dinner, then hear testimonials that give us deep insight into our students.

What makes me so happy is the gratitude that we ALL share, our students because they feel supported as they pursue their dreams, our mentors and staff, because we recognize the great joy of being part of something bigger."

## Iasi



In Iasi Program Director Cristina Porsega very efficiently planned our stay in every city in Romania, including in her hometown of Iasi. The celebration in Iasi brought together our extraordinary students, dedicated mentors, and cherished alumni.

The air sizzled with stories, shared dreams, and a deep-rooted connection that reminds us that we're not only a foundation, but a family. We are thrilled to report that the spirit of Blue Heron is alive and thriving, making good on our promise that no one needs to walk alone in the journey of life.

## Suceava

In Suceava, Blue Heron students, mentors and alumni stood side by side, excited to make new contacts while playing catch-up with old friends. It's always a joy to watch Blue Heron magic run through the tapestry of beginners and alumni, of the wide-eyed and the wise.

We're immensely proud of our Blue Heron Family – a community where support extends beyond professional ambitions to personal growth and heartfelt encouragement.



## Republic of Moldova



In Moldova, our program director Valentina Ostap took charge of organizing everything during a three-day activity-filled stay. The trip culminated with a visit to Goat City in Proheba county. The students loved feeding carrots to the animals that gamboled all over the place!

Afterward we enjoyed lunch in the countryside, a busy day that ended with playing games intended to get us to know each other better.

It was wonderful to learn that our students are thriving in their universities and vocational schools.

# CANCER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



Our Cancer Assistance Program for Ukrainian refugees has helped over 162 oncology patients access care in Moldova and Romania. Blue Heron directly financed the cancer treatments of 79 Ukrainian refugees in Moldova during the initial phase of the humanitarian emergency, until the UN Migration Agency took over our program on June 1st, 2023.

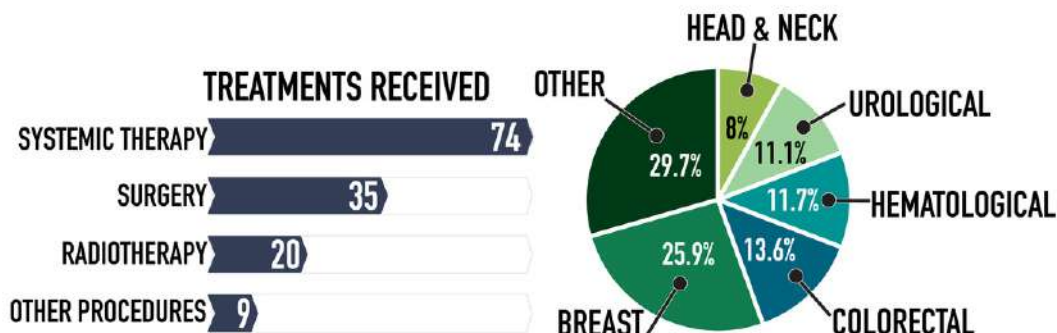
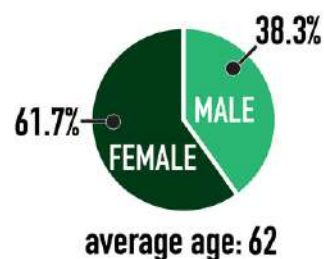
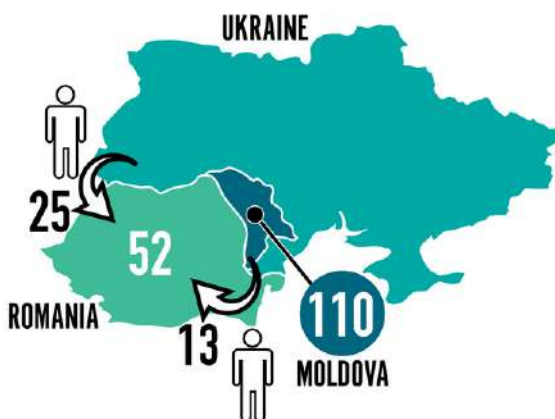
We also evacuated 25 patients from Ukraine and provided a lifeline for dozens of refugees in Romania unable to navigate an inhospitable cancer system that is not designed to care for patients who do not speak Romanian (or English).

Our dedicated, indefatigable team in Romania helped patients in their cancer journey by providing comprehensive assistance such as live interpretation, one-on-one coordination of care and housing, resources for psychosocial support, and access to palliative care.

We partnered with cancer clinics and regional cancer institutes across Romania, creating an invaluable network of specialists dedicated to caring for refugees.

Our program generated international interest. We published an initial report on the Moldovan branch of our program in the *European Journal of Cancer* and are in the process of submitting an extensive report about our activities in the region to a major medical journal.

**Horia Vulpe, MD, CM, FRCPC**  
 Director of Cancer Care Programs  
 Blue Heron Foundation, Los Angeles, CA  
 Radiation Oncologist  
 Queen's Cancer Center, Honolulu, HI



## CANCER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

In the summer of 2022, Blue Heron heard about two siblings aged 4 and 10, both diagnosed with a rare blood cancer that required difficult and expensive bone marrow transplantation only available abroad.

The children's mother is Ukrainian, from Crimea and their father is from Transnistria, a semi-autonomous region in eastern Moldova that is not internationally recognized. The children did not have Ukrainian nationality, making them ineligible for free medical care in Europe, and Moldova's health system was not advanced enough to provide the treatments they desperately needed.

When Blue Heron took on this unique challenge, we were fortunate to have **Dr. Horia Vulpe and Dr. Irena Tocino** ready to use their contacts and expertise. The two doctors collaborated with New York-based NGO Grace Children's Foundation and over the next months worked with the pediatric hospital "Bambino Gesù" in Rome to have the children accepted for treatment.

We are thrilled to report that the first child is already in Rome with his father, receiving life-saving cancer therapy. We believe all children should have access to quality cancer care irrespective of their nationality.

*Ruslan and Anghelina, leukemia patients*



**Irena Tocino MD, FACR**

*Professor Emeritus, Thoracic Imaging, Informatics*

## CANCER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

I would like to thank Blue Heron foundation and their wonderful staff who arranged for me to receive life-saving therapy in Romania. In war-torn Ukraine it was impossible for me to get the medicine I needed for the postoperative treatment of my breast cancer.

First of all I would like to thank Cristian, who was a wizard at organizing doctor visits, documentation, analyses, accommodation, and who supported us on an ongoing basis.

Christian, you made it all work out! Victoria was also great, providing much-needed translation, along with coordinating various other intimidating tasks in a timely fashion. I also appreciate Ludmila's help during the initial stages of procuring treatment.

Romania itself was a great discovery for us, and we found the people and city of Iasi to be most wonderful. Once again, we thank Blue Heron and the marvelous staff who made sure I received my treatment.

I am so happy that I will be able to see my daughter go to school.



*Yana U., age 36 with her daughter and husband along with BH coordinator Cristian Teglas (red shirt).*

Cristian Teglas, Valentin Postveca and Victoria Russu are our dedicated patient coordinators who together make up the heart and soul of Blue Heron's Cancer Care Program.

Working hand-in-hand with Dr. Horia Vulpe and the Oncology Institute in Moldova, they brought healing and vital support to those Ukrainian refugees who had lost all hope of receiving treatment in their own country.

Since the onset of the conflict, Blue Heron's Cancer Care Program has meticulously evaluated more than 225 cases and provided life-saving cancer treatment to over 150 Ukrainian patients in Romania and Moldova.

In a region where health systems struggle to meet demands, Blue Heron's unwavering commitment has ensured that these refugees find solace, care, and a fighting chance. Without us, they would have been left stranded, unsure how to navigate a maze of limited resources.

Our mission continues strong, with 38 patients still in our care.



*Coordinator Victoria Russu and Stefania Magidson.*



*Cristina Porsega, Stefania Magidson, Cristian Teglas and Valentin Postevca.*

## TESTIMONIALS FROM OUR STUDENTS AND MENTORS



When I received the email with the news that a mentor had been found for me, I admit I was very excited but also a little scared because I didn't know exactly what this mentorship entailed. I was not a person who sat down to think and reflect on what had happened the previous month, and above all, I never cared to share my experiences – pleasant or less pleasant – with anyone. Yet it was writing to Ms. Florentina in my activity diary every single month that helped me develop, which is the most important thing for me.

My personal development took place through the discussions I had with Mrs. Florentina. It was the courage and trust she instilled in me, along with her advice, that ultimately helped me become a more motivated and brave person, able to achieve my goals (improve my English, lead a healthier lifestyle).

In addition to this, I believe that her positive and constructive feedback helped me in my emotional development as well as in the development of my leadership skills, which I was able to use at my workplace.

That's why I want to especially thank Ms. Florentina who was by my side whenever I needed it and the entire Blue Heron team for all the work and all the effort they put in for us young people who want to achieve something in our lives.

**Sandra H.,**

*BH scholarship recipient since 2019  
BA, Faculty of Social Work, Babeş-Bolyai  
University, Cluj-Napoca  
Second year MA in Justice, Probation and  
Mediation*



This year marks 10 years since I have had the privilege of calling myself a Blue Heron mentor. My initial intention was to use my knowledge and life experiences to support the students I would work with, by listening to them, understanding them and helping them achieve their dreams. These things happened, of course, but I didn't expect that I would be the one learning from them, that my own life would become richer and more complex.

The life stories my students have shared with me over the years and their resilience in the face of adversity have been models of strength and life lessons for my own ups and downs.

My current mentorship with Sandra started just two weeks before the declaration of the Covid pandemic. We went through uncertain, unusual times together, full of anxiety and unanswered questions. But having this close relationship across the ocean, be it virtual, made us both stronger and we were able to channel our attention and energy to the beautiful things around us, to the important goals in our lives.

Sandra is a special person, a beautiful individual and a warm soul, and I feel lucky to have had the chance to know her. I always enjoyed reading her monthly journals and I was happy for all her successes and the ways in which she managed to overcome obstacles and problems. I am convinced that Sandra will have a successful life because she knows how to make her own happiness.

**Florentina Marcu,**

*BH mentor since 2013  
Integrative Nutrition Health Coach,  
Los Angeles*



## TESTIMONIALS FROM OUR STUDENTS AND MENTORS



I met Andra in 2018 and I still remember that she invited me to Manuc's Inn, where we spent a wonderful evening getting to know each other, sharing a bit of our lives. I was a newly accepted scholarship student with great emotions and endless expectations. Despite the emotions, Andra, with a big, warm smile, gave me a welcome that eased my initial anxiety.

The first years under Andra's mentorship were full of learning, adaptation and a lot of work. I recall the difficult times, my doubts, and the countless times I questioned my abilities. But Andra was always there - ready to guide me, advise me and encourage me.

As time went on, I started to feel more confident and capable. I learned a lot about the recruiting field, but also about myself. Andra taught me not only to be a good recruiter, but also to be a better person.

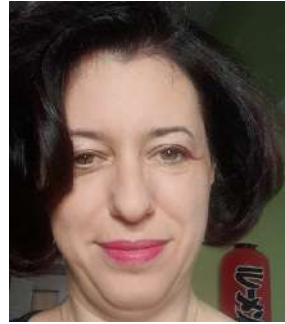
Our relationship was more than just mentor-mentee – Andra became a true friend. We laughed together, discussed our dreams and hopes, and created unforgettable memories. In the end, my experience at the Blue Heron Foundation was much more than I expected. It was a journey of discovery and personal growth.

Thanks to Andra, I was able to expand my wings in art through the galleries we visited and I couldn't wait to attend the shows and plays she invited me to.

My favorite thing was to never look up the event or the place we were going to, because I knew I would always be pleasantly surprised by her choices.

Kind regards

**Alexandra D.**, BH Scholarship recipient 2018-2023  
MA in PR and Communication, University of Bucharest



I have been Alexandra's mentor since January 2018. We worked - then, as now - in the area of Human Resources, a field in which Alexandra wanted to work after graduating (she was in her first year at that time). We met in Bucharest, the city where we both live.

I felt an immediate connection, an instant "click" with her. We fit very well in terms of temperament, personal style, even lifestyle preferences - more independent and willing to try out different experiences, to travel. Over the years, in addition to getting together to discuss her academic/professional progress - where I tried to guide her as much as possible - we discovered cool places in the city and attended plays and concerts. It was my pleasure to introduce her to the cultural kaleidoscope of Bucharest, which at that time was a new city for her. Alexandra was also welcome at my home and witnessed the changes in my life - 1.5 years ago I moved in with my partner.

I was with her throughout her undergraduate years, stood beside her when she received her Master's Degree, and was right there when she took her first job. I believe she has understood what she needs to do for her career and is on an upward path. Currently, we both work in the area of International Recruitment.

I was very moved when Alexandra invited me to a meal at a restaurant - already an adult, on her feet! It gives me pleasure to bring her postcards from my travels around the world for her collection and I hope that soon we will take a trip together!

I am very happy for her evolution, for me she is like a younger sister and will always have my support. Even when time passes before we manage to see each other, it's a stable connection which has become more nuanced with the passage of time. I am very proud of everything she has achieved so far and I believe that many good things will follow in her life.

I am grateful to Blue Heron for the opportunity to meet her and share with her not only my expertise in the area of Human Resources, but also my life experience.

**Andra Ardeleanu**, BH Mentor since 2018  
Talent Acquisition Manager, Bucharest

## TESTIMONIALS FROM OUR STUDENTS AND MENTORS



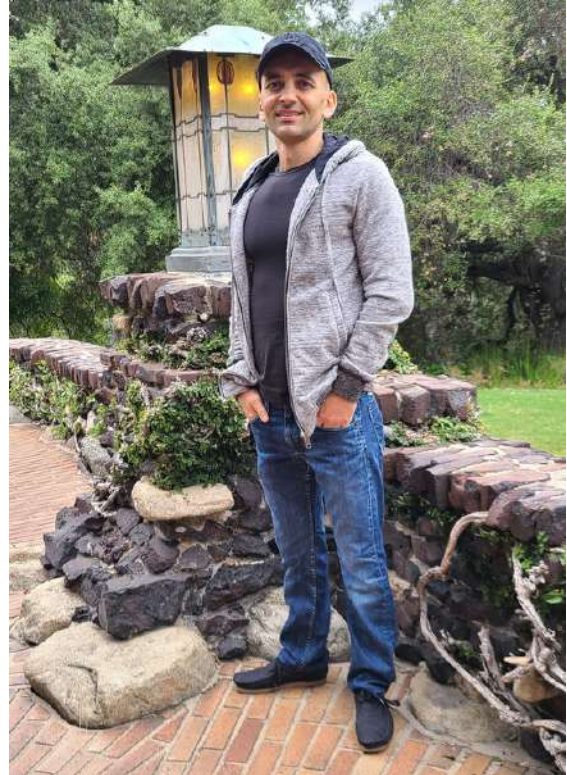
I first met Dragoş virtually, in the summer of 2020. The BH team chose my mentor very well! Distance did not matter because we knew how to communicate and forged a long-lasting friendship.

Every time Dragoş read my monthly journal he gave me feedback and encouragement. I liked that Dragoş told me about his own student days and I felt that he understood my current situation very well. He greatly appreciated my involvement in various activities.

I thank the BH team for all the support they have given me during my 3 years as a scholarship student. Through the team, I learned to get involved in various activities, at first because of the contract I signed where I was asked to volunteer, and later because I wanted to. My monthly journal really helped me grow and develop personally.

I would like to thank Cristina Porsega for her involvement in the group she leads. She was amazing!

**Razvan M.**, BH scholarship recipient 2019-2022  
MS in Construction Geodesy, Univ Politehnica Timisoara



My relationship with Razvan can be defined as a dynamic partnership with support from both sides. I always tried to give him both advice and encouragement. It really helped that Razvan was an extremely receptive young man, a fact that allowed us to gain trust and respect for each other.

The benefit was clearly mutual because our friendship has continued outside the Blue Heron program.

**Dragos Ursu**, BH Mentor since 2016  
Structural engineer, Los Angeles



## TESTIMONIALS FROM OUR STUDENTS AND MENTORS



My acceptance into the Blue Heron Foundation and Family is one of the most precious gifts I have ever received. It will always be an accomplishment that I will cherish forever.

I find myself waiting impatiently for every Blue Heron meeting, eager to attend and be part of 'my family.'

Each meeting helps me as I struggle with life difficulties and I leave accepting and appreciating myself.

These meetings have provided me with a new way of reaching myself with beautiful values; they fill me with joy, empowering me and awakening my senses of gratitude for what I had and what I have at present.

Although I thought the time was my enemy, with patience, I now understand that it is my best friend!

**Maria-Elena S.**, Blue Heron scholarship recipient since 2019  
Ovidius University Faculty of Medicine, Constanta



For me, this master's degree program, which I have successfully completed, has meant a dream that many years ago, I couldn't even imagine. I had to overcome numerous obstacles and now to my immense joy, I find myself in this amazing moment, having gathered so much information and experience!

Blue Heron Foundation and my mentor, Ms. Doina Blaj, were like two mothers, always ready to come to my aid, to be by my side, to guide me as I worked toward creating a wonderful future for myself. They opened my eyes and gave me courage and ambition, taught me that even rain clouds part and that when they don't, I should dance in the rain rather than wait for it to stop.

I want to thank you for every single thing, for every moment of empathy toward me, for the trust you had in me and for helping me see more clearly with every step I took. I also want to thank all the people who are part of and support the Foundation.

**Sergiu J.**, BH Student since 2018  
M.A. Physical Therapy and Nutrition

## OUR TEAM



Initially, students applied for the BH university scholarship for financial reasons. In a short time, however, they understand that it is about much more: a family, a community, a tribe where they can come with everything they are; a community where they are not judged by painful labels or preconceptions, a community that appreciates, understands and respects them for all that they are, but especially for the potential they have, regardless of their background.

In a fast-paced world where the latest socio-political events have thrown us off balance, it is comforting and reassuring to know that you are part of a constant community that has strong ethical values and where you can find personal and professional role models.

I have the blessing of knowing the BH scholarship program since its inception 18 years ago and I have been able to observe, analyze and understand that it is an environment where everyone, fellows, mentors and team, grow, develop.

In a time when we don't know where we will go, let's try to be kind, understanding and wise with each other and with ourselves.

### **Cristina Porsega**

*Director of the BH Scholarship Program, Romania*



In 2015, when I started working as BH's Scholarship Program Director in Moldova, I couldn't imagine how beautifully things would evolve and how many young people would, through the foundation, get degrees and diplomas, become independent and leave us feeling incredibly proud of their achievements.

I believe that in life an individual needs several pillars: family, faith, traditions, homeland and — an education. When, due to certain circumstances, some, or all the pillars are missing, emotional and social insecurity can appear such that the individual feels very vulnerable.

I consider myself incredibly lucky to be a part of these young people's lives, to help them navigate the path toward becoming more confident, stable and independent.

If I have guided even one young person in that direction, I think it a great achievement, both for the receiver and for my own soul and also for society as a whole.

### **Valentina Ostap**

*Director of the BH Scholarship Program, Republic of Moldova*

## OUR TEAM



Since 2019 I have served in the role of Director of Blue Heron's Mentorship Program.

From the beginning I understood that the programs of the Blue Heron Foundation resonate perfectly with the values that guide both my psychotherapy practice and my personal life – social justice, transparency, promotion of personal choices and the individual-expert in his life, solidarity, care for others and an authentic curiosity.

Through the prism of my profession as a psychotherapist and my activist concerns, I consider that often our role as professionals in the field of social services is that of spokespeople, of amplifying marginalized voices.

In my work with young people and their mentors I have had the privilege of witnessing the birth of a continent of solidarity: when selected students become fellows in our program, they are isolated islands in an ocean of a world and a society that often discriminates against them and it limits their horizons.

Gradually, through the activities in our program, with the help of financial support, but especially mentoring relationships, the islands become archipelagos and then, wonderful continents that are almost indestructible. Our program, through its people, plants hope and love both in our hearts and in the world.

I feel honored and grateful for the opportunity to contribute, together with a team of warm-hearted and modest people, to the construction of a lasting community in which young people can discover themselves in ways full of confidence and courage.

**Andrea Muraru**

*Director of the BH Mentorship Program*



# 2023 Blue Heron Summer Camp

*Brasov County, Romania*



Many felt, for the first time, both the vulnerability and joy of sharing their own stories, along with witnessing the life stories of others – a truly powerful and transformative experience.

We left camp with a sparkle in our eyes that will stay with us for the rest of our lives to remind us that during one sublime summer, at a camp, in the middle of the mountains, we were able to show our true selves without the fear of being judged.

We also, equally important, discovered the great power that comes from being TOGETHER.

Blue Heron's 2023 Summer Camp will remain in our memory as a paradise of friendship, acceptance, solidarity and kindness.

Our very first camp after the pandemic was a celebration of youth, of human potential, of the joy of being together. It was a magical week in which students, organizers, trainers and guest workshop leaders laughed, cried, hugged each other through smiles and tears, and made long-lasting friendships.

The camp buzzed with activities, intense emotions filled the clear mountain air, we all breathed in the love, acceptance, care and solidarity all around us.

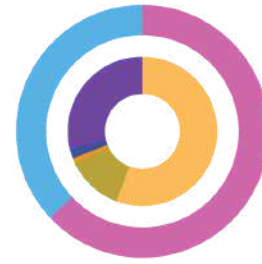
The camp had numerous workshops ranging from improv, diction, percussion, dance, horseback riding, ikigai, photography, emotional development, self-leadership, and also strengthening identity through the positive stories we tell ourselves.

Hour by hour, conversation by conversation, interaction by interaction, our community grew strong, invincible.



# Our years of activity in numbers

ACADEMIC YEAR  
2023 - 2024



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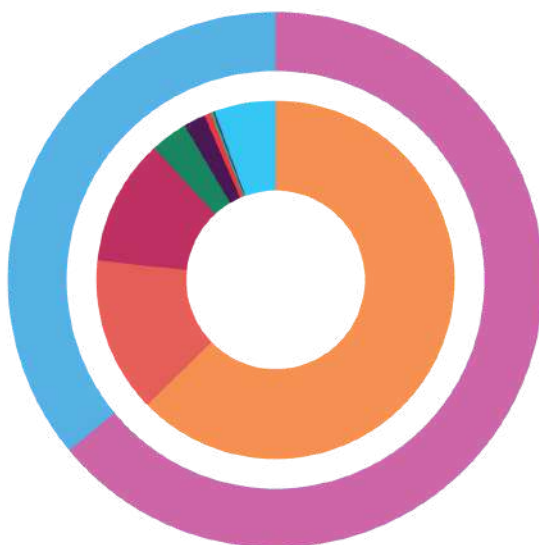
Romanian	54
Roma	12
Turkish	1
Hungarian	2
Moldovan	28

Girls	61
Boys	36

Blue Heron Scholarship Program in  
Romania and Republic of Moldova

total **97**  
Scholarship Recipients

Total students in our program 2005 - 2023  
Romania & Moldova



Nationality:

Romanian	318	61.1%
Moldovan	85	15.6%
Roma	70	11.4%
Russian	20	3.4%
Hungarian	10	2.0%
Ukrainian	3	0.6%
Sârbo-Croat	1	0.2%
Turkish	1	0.2%
Necunoscut	28	5.5%

Girls	326	62%
Boys	200	38%

Blue Heron Scholarship Program in  
Romania and the Republic of Moldova

total **526**  
Scholarship Recipients

## OUR MENTORS

MENTOR'S NAME	City, Country
Daniel Onofrei	Houston, Texas, U.S.
Lorena Anastasiu	București, RO
Carmen Bucur	București, RO
Daciana Branea	New York, U.S.
Luciana Troaca	Craiova, RO
Cornelia Cozmiuc	Iași, RO
Alina Iuga	New York, U.S.
Calota Cornelia	București, RO
Dragoș Ursu	Los Angeles, U.S.
Bogdan Urma	Boston, Massachusetts
Laura Simihaian	Munchen, Germania
Alex Cirnu	Washington, D.C., U.S.
Simihian Flaviu	New York, U.S.
Cheorghe Tataru	Brașov, RO
Savu Elena	București, RO
Carol Szabo	Boston, Massachusetts
Iulia Minea	București, RO
Julieta Paulesc	Phoenix, Arizona
Adrian Păduraru	București, RO
Daniela Fetea	Montreal, Canada
Thea Mercouffer	Los Angeles, California, U.S.
Andra Ardeleanu	Bucuresti, RO
Manuela Pieleanu	Bucuresti, RO
Magda Cernea	Bucuresti, RO
Liana Ghica	Los Angeles, California, U.S.
Tina Ruptureanu	Craiova, RO
Petru Jiga	Timișoara, RO
Horatiu Schiopu	Bucuresti, RO
Mihaela Geoana	Bucuresti, RO/ New York, U.S.
Mircea Bucur	Bucuresti, RO
Alexandra Arnăutu	Bucuresti, RO
Monica Hermann	Alexandria, Washington DC, U.S.
Ana Cristina Chirilov	Bucuresti, RO
Ileana Rizescu	Los Angeles, California, U.S.
Andy Grigorov	Constanța/București, RO
Oana Munteanu	Iași, RO

MENTOR'S NAME	City, Country
Măciucă Rodica	Brașov, RO
Elena Grigorescu	Indiana, U.S.
Genoveva Romașcan	Suceava, RO
Alex Bacu	New York, U.S.
Adina Dabija	New York, U.S.
Stefana Gradinaru	Iași, RO
Ildiko Magyari	New York, U.S.
Florentina Marcu	Los Angeles, California, U.S.
Laura Tanase	Suceava, RO
Smaranda Nazarie	Iași, RO
Gabriela Ludușan	Kingston, Canada
George Tîrnoveanu	Bucuresti, RO
Matei Curtașu	Bucuresti, RO
Ada Lungu	Bucuresti, RO
Răzvan Gavrilaş	Iași, RO
Felicia Tutulescu	Craiova, RO
Talida Țîfui	Iași, RO
Anca Leoveanu	Texas, U.S.
Daniela Neacșu	Texas, U.S.
Veronica Sula	Bucuresti, RO
Anca Chiritescu	Los Angeles, California, U.S.
Catrinel Chelaru	Iasi
Doina Blaj	Suceava
Diana Gîrniță	Cincinnati, U.S.
Livia Maștei	New York, U.S.
Alin Mihaita Saftel	Bucuresti
Corina Filip	Boston, Massachusetts, U.S.
Daniela Urma	Boston, Massachusetts, U.S.
Mirela Titianu	Medford, Oregon, U.S.
Horia Vulpe	Honolulu, Hawaii
Liliana Oniță Lenco	Boston, Massachusetts, U.S.
Eugen Stanciu	Sedona, Arizona, U.S.
Madalina Praschiv	Bucuresti, RO
Liviu Gajora	Iași, RO
Mara Chindris	Los Angeles, California, U.S.





# Our Members

Noura Alfadl-Andreasson  
Ilie Ardelean  
Tamas Baco  
Alex Bacu  
Leigh Bantivoglio  
Corina BerariKirk and Sabina Bertsche  
Simona and Adrian Bot  
Celine Bot and Grace Bot  
Steven Brouman, MD  
Rebecca Calkins  
Raluca Carp  
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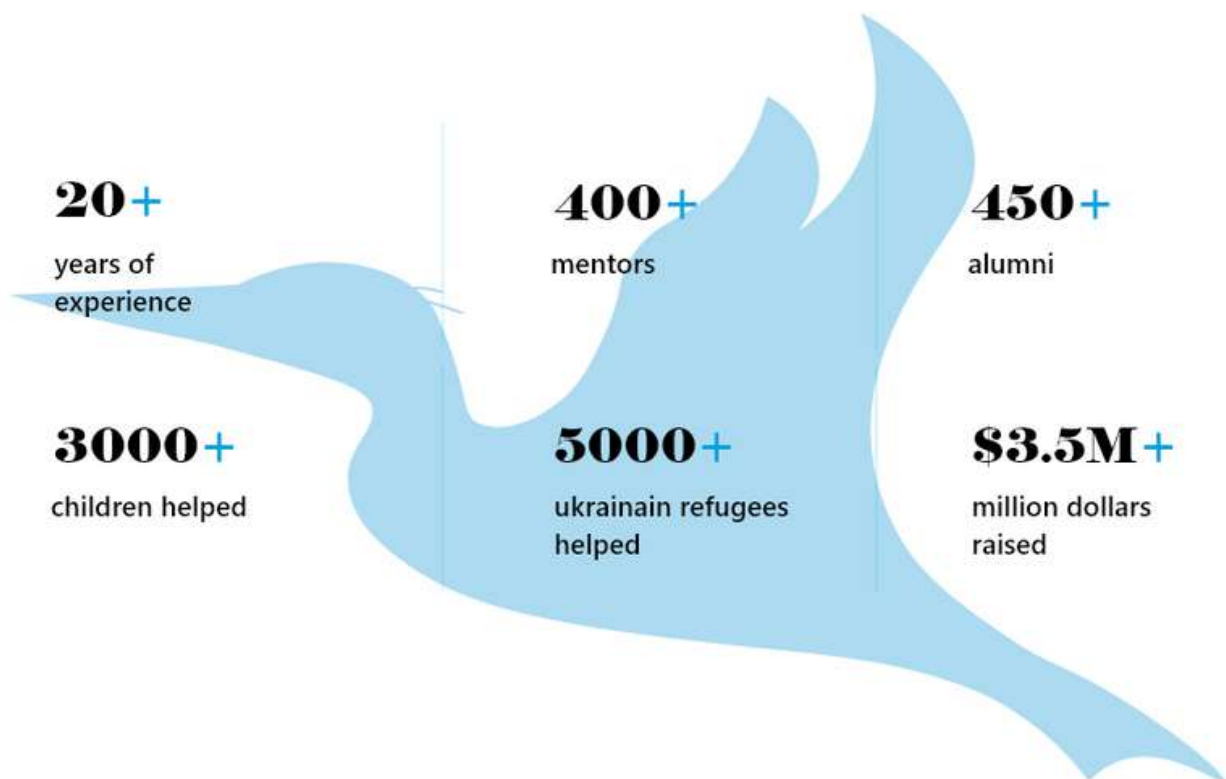
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