

Don't be a person who can't swim

Type of action: temporary installation / events.



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Type of solutions: Sport based solution.

Location of the Good Practice: Ankara/Türkiye

Designer/s: Youth sports ministry investment general directorate.

Investor/s: Ministry of youth sports.

Cost of works: 56.000 €.

Extension of the area: 128 square meters.

Rational and overall scope of the intervention

The Ministry of Youth and Sports offers the young people the opportunity to swim with the portable swimming pools it has built all over Turkey. With the portable swimming pools to be implemented in 19 provinces, the Ministry also allows young people to take swimming lessons in free and hygienic conditions with expert trainers. Portable swimming pools,

implemented by the Ministry of Youth and Sports, install portable pools on the streets where disadvantaged people live, especially in the summer months to both cool off and do sports.

Target groups addressed and related needs

Target Groups 14-30 years old youth.

To popularize the habit of doing sports, to ensure participation of disadvantaged children and youth, who have problems in their lives due to adverse environmental conditions, financial difficulties, family problems and terrorism, and who have problems in society due to this negative situation, to ensure their participation in society as good individuals.

Community engagement process / Participatory process

Promotions are made through the press and broadcast, and the young people are invited to swim by hanging flyers in the cafes on the streets where the pools will be built.

Schools in disadvantaged areas are visited, and young people at risk are identified and directed to swim by meeting with relevant teachers.

Description of the designing/co-designing process

The Ministry of Youth and Sports conducted a survey in 65 provinces to ask people what kind of sport they would like to do. The results of the research also revealed the importance given to swimming. When the answers given to the question of what sport would you do regularly if you had the opportunity were examined, it was seen that swimming took the first place with 34%. In order to make swimming more accessible, prefabricated pools were installed in disadvantaged areas.

Description of technologies and material used for works

The pool must be on a flat and clean surface. The pool body must be completely suitable for assembly and disassembly. Vinyl ester resin to prevent wear and rust Surface layer for floor covering Structural support material types Fiberglass in polyester resin to achieve a stronger design Woven fabric for stress points to be used for added strength.

Impact on the place aesthetics

Since portable pools are installed only in summer, they make a great contribution to the space in terms of aesthetics.

Impact on the community wellbeing

Our young people contributed to their physical and mental development and socialization by revealing their talents. They adopted a healthier lifestyle. He stayed away from harmful habits. Integration into society was achieved. They began to live in harmony in society.

Impact on the community inclusion

It is to protect all segments of society, especially the disadvantaged youth, from harmful substances, to raise awareness of families against harmful substances, to identify individuals addicted to harmful substances, to promote a healthy life through sports, and to ensure the social integration of young people who have problems with social exclusion, thanks to the unifying aspect of sports.

Coherence with sustainable development goals

Social cohesion and equality of sport in the sport policy report of the European Commission.

in the title; The EU produces solutions that can solve the integration problems of disadvantaged groups and immigrants through sports. However, it supports an order in which there is discrimination and where all groups at risk will create a common living space. The effects of sports on economic development and employment opportunities help the problems of disadvantaged groups. Some member states already use sports as a tool in their social policies in the context of the "Open Coordination Method" in the context of social protection and social cohesion.

For this reason, sport in EU countries is an inclusive

supports the approach. (European Commission, 2012). In line with the goals of the European Union to increase the participation of disadvantaged youth in sports, the Ministry of Youth

and Sports of Turkey implements these policies and takes the swimming pool to the neighborhoods.



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Potential of improving people's health: Very high.

Level of creativity: Very low.

Attention to gender equality and inclusion: Very high.

Aesthetic impact on the urban environment: Medium.

Level of sustainability: High.

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