



**Almaty International
Women's Club**

2022 Annual Report

OVERVIEW 2022

2022 started in the middle of a second wave of COVID-19 pandemic and a range of restrictions were in place until spring.

We also had rioting in our city that thankfully did not hinder any of our members directly, but limited communication for 5 full days within and without the country were debilitating.

However, we continued to press on despite it all. And even added more events and activity groups as 2022 continued and life went on.

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 1. Supported 21 Babushkas for 1 year through the Hands of Mercy charity program. Of the 1,536,000 KZT provided, ALL was donated by our members directly!**
- 2. Supported the Seven Trees Foundation**
 - a. International Women's Day hygiene packs (valued at 348,800 KZT) & money (145,000 KZT).**
 - b. Children's Drive for International Children's Day. Members donated toys, sporting equipment, clothing & money (50,000 KZT) for gifts and shoes for the children they assist.**
 - c. 165,000 KZT towards 'Back to School' supplies.**

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

3. **Held International Women's Day event for our members and their families at Little Brazil with 54 in attendance.**
4. **Conducted Art & Craft Masterclasses and Turkish cooking lessons for members with proceeds going towards our charities.**
5. **Children's Day Event with 36 members (despite the bad weather forecast!) and their families in attendance, bouncy castle, face painters and ice cream.**
6. **Intermittent Raffles throughout the year that raised 756,500 KZT towards our charities.**

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 7. Sponsored cookbook created with special recipes from our members with proceeds going to our charities.**
- 8. Welcome Back Party with 80 in attendance, lots of dancing and successful raffle.**
- 9. Established a new board for 2023 with all key positions held.**
- 10. Started offering more evening/weekend events for our working members.**

KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 11. Angel Letters sent from 33 children from Ark Village that our members adopted and supported with Christmas Gifts as well as paper roll for their arts and crafts projects.**
- 12. Caritas Down Syndrome Christmas Party partnered with Ark Village on December 26 with the AIWC giving 630,000 towards Christmas gifts and paying for their special event at Intercontinental hotel.**
- 13. Partnered with Eldany Foundation with 600,000 KZT towards potter's wheels and instructors for the disabled youth they employ to learn crafting.**

FINANCIALS

End of 2022 Financial Year

	<u>KZT</u>	<u>USD</u>
<u>Income</u>		
Membership	4,148,651	250
Charity	1,262,000	20
Donations	1,927,000	
Events	2,472,200	
Advertising	15,000	
Total Income	9,824,851	270
<u>Expenses</u>		
Bank charges	(3,985)	
Accounting fees	(325,000)	
Web page fee & Domain	(60,480)	
Gifts & farewell	(228,452)	
Events	(2,645,384)	
Operational costs	(60,414)	
<u>Charity & Donations</u>		
HOM - Babushka Donations	(2,287,268)	
Eldany Donation	(600,000)	
Ark Village	(769,998)	
7 Trees	(316,000)	
DARA Foundation - Donation	(325,000)	
Cookbook	(227,950)	
Total Expenses	(7,849,931)	
<u>Net Income</u>		
Bank balance	KZT 7,774,207	\$US 13,188
Cash balance	KZT 3,946,260	\$US 6,966
Currency exchange	KZT 9,281,663	
Total KZT available	KZT 21,002,130	

MEMBERSHIP

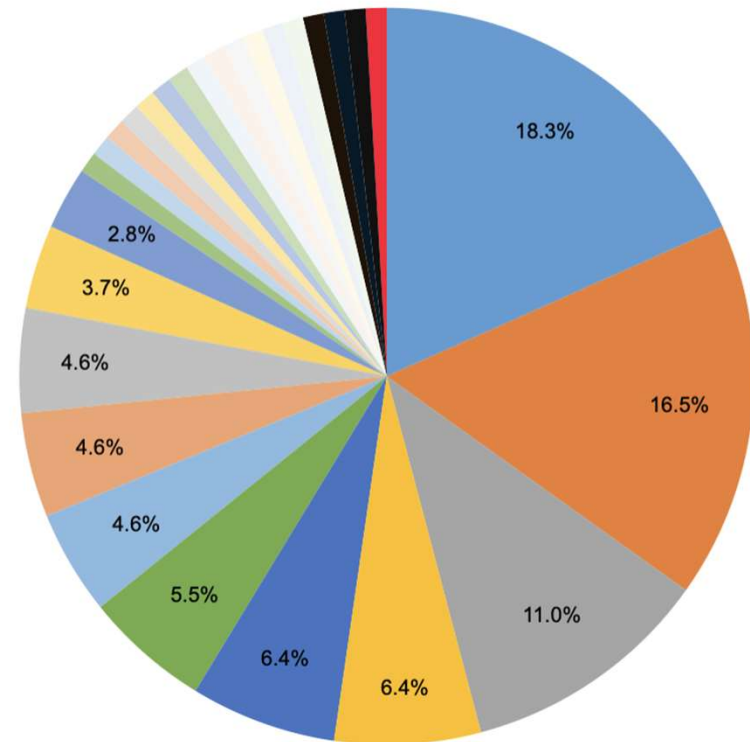
At the end of the year, 2022:

- **111 members from 30 different countries**
- **The total membership numbers were increased by 32% from the previous year at the same time**

MEMBERSHIP CONT.

Date	31.12.2022	
Country	Count	%
USA	20	18
Russia	18	16
Kazakhstan	12	11
Australia	7	6
UK	7	6
South Africa	6	5
Turkiye	5	5
Canada	5	5
France	5	5
Ukraine	4	4
Germany	3	3
India	1	1
Czech Republic	1	1
Netherland	1	1
Austria	1	1
China	1	1
Bangladesh	1	1
Croatia	1	1
Armenia	1	1
Bosnia and Herzegovia	1	1
Bulgaria	1	1
Chile	1	1
Uzbekistan	1	1
Indonesia	1	1
Azerbaijan	1	1
Iran	1	1
Lithuania	1	1
Turkmenistan	1	1
Venezuela	1	1
Burundi	1	1
Total	111	100

AIWC 2021-2022



CHARITIES SUPPORTED IN 2022

❖ HANDS OF MERCY

Social Fund "Hands of Mercy" was founded in 2001. Throughout its 21 years, the Fund has supported about 400 Babushkas! We brought them food and medicine each month and helped them with their different needs. But even before 2001, HOM was a volunteer, unofficial organization that was begun in 1994. For a few years before we bought an office, we kept and packed food in a garage. It was so difficult in cold winters since it was not heated. Your support is so precious!



CHARITIES SUPPORTED IN 2022

❖ HANDS OF MERCY - 'ADOPT A BABUSHKA'

IN 2022, AIWC members provided cash to support 21 babushkas with 7,000 KZT/per month per babushka



CHARITIES SUPPORTED IN 2022

❖ SEVEN TREES FOUNDATION - Women's Prison & Local Community

- International Women's Day - Cash and hygiene products
- International Children's Day - Cash and diapers, used clothes and toys for the kids
- Start of school year - Cash towards school supplies for kids

“My relationship with you goes back until 2005. It's a long time, and together we went through a lot and made changes in the lives of women and children. I very much appreciate your faithfulness over so many years, even with small things.” - MONIKA

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❖ ARK VILLAGE

The Ark Village is a **family atmosphere** where everyone is accepted for who they are, regardless of age, physical ability and social background. At the Ark Village, acceptance is offered to orphans with or without disabilities, and to children of families at risk. Also there is a daily care center for children with disabilities living with their parents who require medical rehabilitation. Here they also find a place to interact with their peers.



CHARITIES SUPPORTED IN 2022

❖ DARA FOUNDATION

The DARA Foundation mainly supports pediatric medical institutions, organizations for orphans and children with disabilities. These projects evolve around cases where children are beyond the help of their own families, state institutions, and other NGO's. Projects are implemented in three main areas: development and education, quality medicine, cultural events.



CHARITIES SUPPORTED IN 2022

❖ ELDANY CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

➤ AIWC donated Potters Wheels

Eldany runs creative workshops for Special Needs children, teens and adults. They also employ youth with limited abilities through an art studio opened in 2006.



BOARD ELECTIONS

WE THANK THE OUTGOING BOARD FOR 2022 WERE:

Aigul Shamshydayeva / Director
Elmira Iztleuova / Director
Elaine Pounder / Lilia stoyanovich / President and
Vice President 1
Charity Fisk / Vice President 2
Robyn Kilgariff & Michelle Bartkoske / Secretary
Reka Todd / Treasurer
Ozlem Guzel / Membership
Colleen Fogarty & Sandy Martin / Charities
Nadezhda (Nadia) Yeremina / Activities
Rachel Owens / Communications
Jenny Owen (Tanous) / Evening Edition
Zulfiya Umarova / Events Coordinator

WE WELCOME THE ELECTED BOARD FOR 2023 ARE:

Aigul Shamshydayeva / Director
Elmira Iztleuova / Director
Charity Fisk /President
Lejla Sahovic / Vice President
Michelle Bartkoske / Secretary
Reka Todd / Treasurer
Lilia Stoyanovich / Bookkeeper
Ozlem Guzel / Membership
Sharon KusterSmith / Charities
Nadezhda (Nadia) Yeremina / Activities
Rachel Owens / Communications
Jenny Owen (Tanous) / Evening Edition
Elena (Lena) Cheloyan / Fundraising

Thank You!



WELCOME!

