

Municipality of Vanyarc
2688 Vanyarc, Veres Pálné út 54.

Total budget of project partner: 289,310.54 EUR

Including ERFA funding of: 245,913.95 EUR

Antecedents, introduction:

The Municipality of Vanyarc - as project partner takes part in the cross border project with three tourism investments. Our Slovak nationality village in South Nógrád is - among others - one of the founding members of Palóc Route Cultural Cluster Association. The traditional Noodles Festival (potato noodles cooking contest) is special among our major events, promoting the beloved food of the good palóc people and Slovak kinsmen, the folklore of the region and its arts and crafts. This year we organise it for the 15th time, on the 8th of September.

With the current project we implement a conscious and long time intention, which was missing from the current tourism services of the village and thereby we will be able to host visitors continuously off the festival season as well, offering tailored programmes, even programme packages.

Project activities and outcomes:

1.) COMPREHENSIVE RENOVATION OF THE PROSPECTIVE BUILDING OF SHOD EGGS MUSEUM AND OUTDOOR CRAFTS WORKSHOP, CONSTRUCTING FOLKLORE PLAYGROUND

The building was constructed in the 1930s, with traditional rural triple division plus chamber floor plan. We are renovating the building completely inside and outside, adding outdoor barn of wooden structure in the court. While sticking to rural characteristic, we create rather up-to-date conditions for presenting shod eggs and for interactive open arts and crafts courses. With the folklore playground (outdoor barn + wooden toys) we create the opportunity of having outdoor activities and minor events.

2.) INTERIOR RENOVATION OF THE DESSEWFFY CHATEAU - a place for interactive presentations and unique exhibitions

Following nationalisation the building became a primary school, then from the 1980s on community and school library for a long time. Now that the library moved to a modern place in the top floor of the cultural hall, the building stayed empty (more precisely serves as a storage), but we would like to give new functions to this reputable small chateau, where we will present permanent, temporary and national travelling exhibitions, contemporary arts, special classes and local Slovak and Palóc traditions not only from Vanyarc but from the neighbouring settlements' local history and ethnography as well.

3.) RENOVATION OF EVENT VENUE: OUTDOOR STAGE AND ITS SURROUNDINGS, CONSTRUCTING STAGE ROOF

An open, pergola-like roof structure will be constructed above the current stage, serving the actors of our major events (e.g. Noodles Festival), and guests. We do landscaping and paving on 200 m² around the stage for high quality hospitality. Near the outdoor stage there is a playground complying with EU standards, we are designing a fitting marketplace from another funding source and the third element is the current, visitor-friendly development of the stage and its surroundings as an event venue.