

# THE SANCTUARY

50,000 children are separated from their families due to abuse, violence and abandonment. That is an awfully high statistic when everybody deserves a forever home... introducing The Sanctuary.

## What does Love Light Romania do to help?

The Sanctuary is a care home for institutionalized adults with disabilities. At the age of 18, these teenagers have to leave the placement centres to fend for themselves without the necessary life or social skills. Or they move to an adult centre for people with disabilities, and never knowing what a family or life, is really like. At The Sanctuary we provide programs that are aimed at helping the residents to learn important life skills, social integration and most importantly it is a family environment for them. The Sanctuary is either a stepping stone or a forever home for our beneficiaries.



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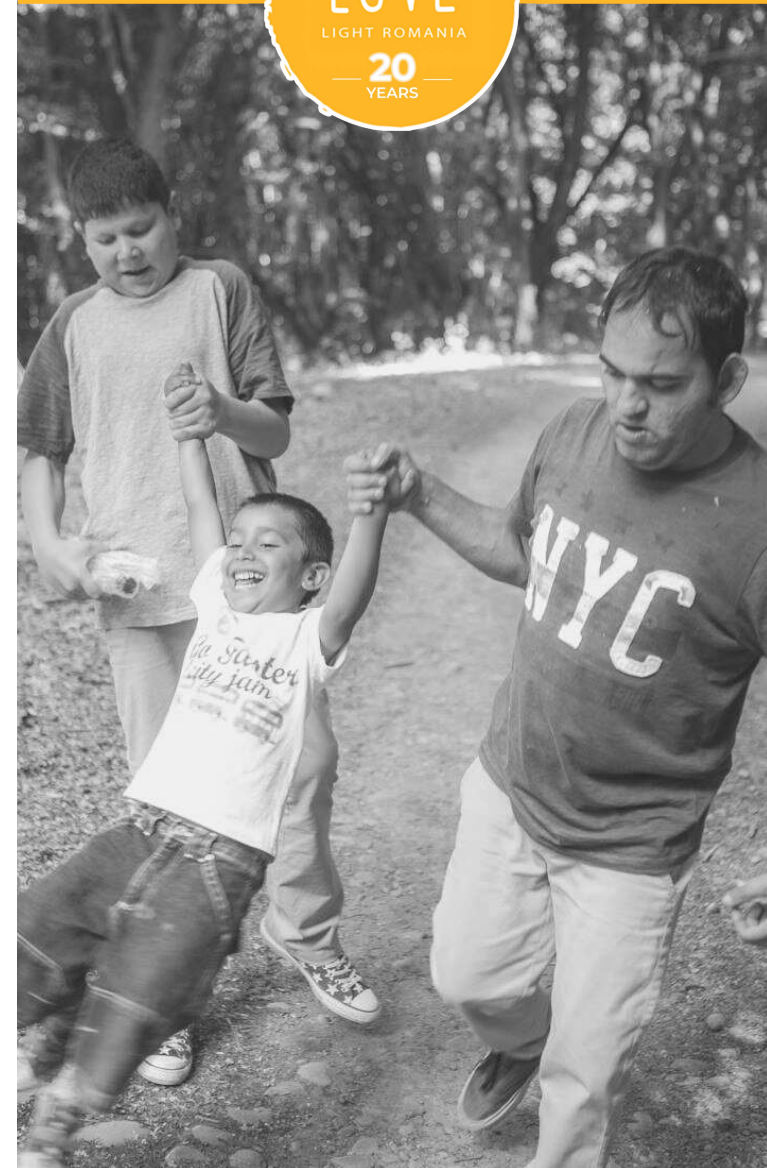
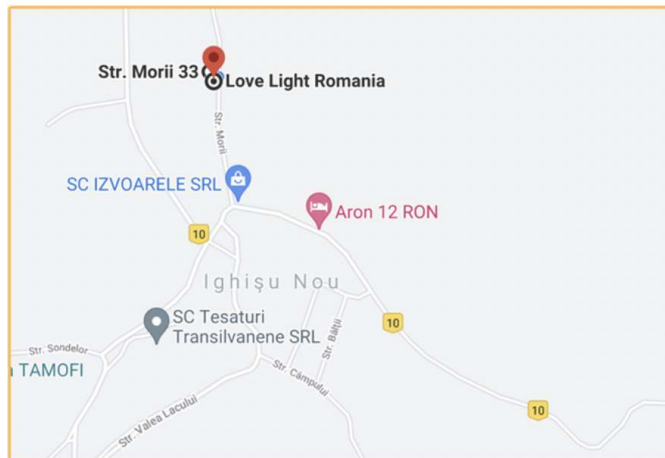
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## LOVE LIGHT ROMANIA

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# DONATE



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## Donate a Day

Or stay up to date with our NEW campaign 'Donate a Day'. Whether it's a day of your wages or a day of help, your support can make a big difference.

# HIV

HIV. A disease that is currently affecting 37.6 million people across the globe. But what is it? Short for Human Immunodeficiency Virus, HIV is a transmissible disease that attacks and weakens the immune system which if left untreated can have life-threatening consequences. Whilst there is still no cure for HIV/Aids if those with HIV take the correct treatment on a regular basis, then they can reach a health level where HIV can not be detected in their blood, which means that they can't pass it onto someone else through sex.

## How is it transmitted?

There are a variety of ways that can leave you infected by getting in contact with certain body fluids from someone already infected. The main causes of the infection are unprotected sex, using the same needle as somebody else, breastfeeding and exchange of blood.

## Testing:

If you are worried that you could be a carrier, testing is the only way you can know for sure. It is important to get tested so that you can keep yourself and your sexual partners healthy but also an early diagnosis gives you a better chance to live a near-normal lifespan. The HIV / AIDS phenomenon in Romania has as a distinctive feature, the presence of a relatively compact group of young people infected by medical channels in childhood through the use of non-sterile medical equipment and products untested for HIV.

## What does Love Light Romania do to help?

At Love Light Romania, our aim is to ensure that all HIV sufferers get the correct treatment so that it can't be passed onto others. We seek to make it as easy as possible for them to get treatment by providing transport to and from hospitals. We also have ex-institutionalised young adults who have HIV come and stay at The Sanctuary. During their stay, they will get their life and health in order and when they feel ready, they will go and resume their independent life.



# JACODU CHILDREN'S PROJECT

"More than 1 in 4 children don't go to school in Romania"

That's approximately 797,412 children that don't know basic skills.

## What does Love Light Romania do to help?

Love Light Romania has seen that the best way to break the cycles of poverty that these children are born into, is by them getting a full education.

To attend school in Romania is free but some families cannot afford the extra costs such as clothes, footwear, transport, schooling materials, extra-curricular activities etc.. For a child on our project to receive everything that is needed for them to not abandon school is €400. The extra-curricular activities that we offer are afterschool programs, IT classes, gardening workshops and cooking workshops.

