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## Director's letter

The Probitas Foundation has been working for more than 10 years to improve the health of the most vulnerable populations locally and internationally, but, without a doubt, 2020 has been a year of great challenges due to the impact of the pandemic around the world.

In Spain we have detected a **rapid increase in child poverty**. Currently, around 27% of children are at risk of poverty or social risk, and the health of these minors is affected due to the lack of a nutritious and balanced daily diet, as well as mobility restrictions that lead to less social interaction and the practice of healthy habits, such as physical activity and sports.

Therefore, after the home confinement was decreed, we focused our efforts on activating, on the one hand, an emergency initiative that would allow us to continue supporting the most vulnerable minors in our programs, by promoting the distribution of money cards for families that did not have public aid to purchase food. On the other hand, we decided **to continue with all our programs**, such as the one we carry out with young people from ESO during the school year, adapting to health recommendations, in order to allow minors to safely carry out sports and socio-educational activities and access a healthy meal a day in the school canteen, after months without leaving home or interacting with other young people.

But we also wanted to go further. Aware of the deep footprint that the pandemic is leaving, we promote the **Twin Families initiative**, a fundraising program with which we seek to bring families together to expand our capacities to act in canteen scholarships and thus reach a greater number of minors.

At the international level, we have continued working with entities to ensure the execution of all the planned projects. Specifically, the **Global Laboratory Initiative (GLI)** program, which completed its first 10 years of operation, **has made communities better prepared to face the pandemic** in the areas where the health centers and the 29 GLI laboratories are located,



despite the usual lack of material resources in developing countries where we focus our activity.

In this context, in 2020 we have been able to redouble our efforts so that the Probitas Foundation's commitment extends to caring individuals and companies that want to contribute to the improvement of development opportunities for people from vulnerable groups both in Spain and in the rest of the world. This period has allowed us to open a new stage in which we have decided to give priority to the projects that most directly affect people's fragility, while we will establish **new alliances to reinforce our direct action on social vulnerability**.

In this report we want to share with you all the work carried out during 2020 and thank all the people who have contributed, directly or indirectly, to strengthen our programs. Our special thanks must go to all the health and education professionals, school canteen staff, social educators and field volunteers who contribute their dedication, talent, effort and enthusiasm every day.

**We will continue to work tirelessly in favor of health and combating vulnerability**, so we need to continue to count on your support.

**Dr. Marta Segú i Estruch**  
CEO



The Probitas Foundation's mission is to contribute to **improve physical, mental and emotional health**, and to offer **equal opportunities** to people in **vulnerability**, locally and internationally.

Our action is guided by the following values:

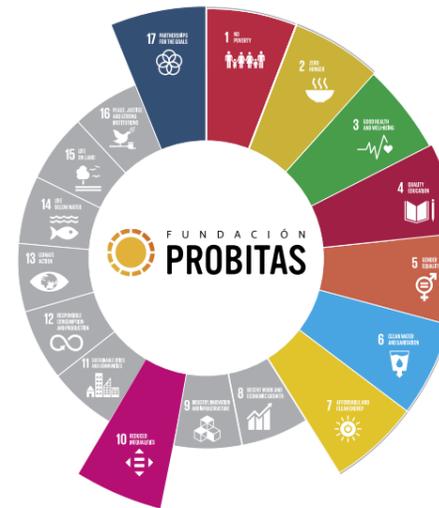


### COMMITMENT TO THE "ONE HEALTH" APPROACH AND THE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF PRIMARY HEALTH CARE

#### WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO)

Probitas Foundation is committed to **equitable access to health** through the WHO "One Health" approach. In order to identify the causes of intersectoral problems, coordinates the intervention of multidisciplinary teams and designs more efficient and effective actions, at the level of the goals set in SDG 3 and 17.

-  **Promote primary health care and universal health coverage for the most vulnerable populations in remote areas with scarce resources.**
-  **Commitment to equity: access to the health and basic needs for all people as essential elements to achieve a more just and sustainable world.**
-  **Promote community participation in the design and implementation of projects.**
-  **Intersectoral and interdisciplinary work with all the stakeholders involved in the health projects being implemented.**



### COMMITMENT WITH THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG) Agenda 2030, United Nations

The programs of the Probitas Foundation are **aligned with the SDGs** and especially focused on actively contributing to a series of objectives that we consider a **priority** (2, 3 and 10), other objectives that we define as **relevant** (4, 6, 7) and a third type of **transversal** objectives to which the Probitas Foundation contributes and are present in all its programs (1, 5, and 17).

Program start year	2012	2018	2010	2010	2019
Countries of action since 2010	Spain	Spain	12 countries	41 countries	Spain / Senegal

#### SDGs classification according to the degree of Probitas' contribution:

SDG	Description	2012	2018	2010	2010	2019
PRIORITY	2 End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition	●				
	3 Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages	●	●	●	●	●
	10 Reduce inequalities within and among countries	●	●	●	●	●
RELEVANT	4 Inclusive and equitable quality education	●				●
	6 Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all			●	●	
	7 Access to affordable, reliable and sustainable energy			●	●	●
TRANSVERSAL	1 End poverty in all its forms everywhere	●	●	●	●	●
	5 Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls	●	●	●	●	●
	17 Strengthen global Partnership for Sustainable Development	●	●	●	●	●

LINE OF ACTION #1

# ACCESS TO HEALTH AND WELLNESS OF VULNERABLE CHILDREN

## Promotion of healthy habits and mental health



### CHILD POVERTY IN SPAIN



This situation has been intensified during the pandemic due to the loss of income of many households that already suffered from a previous vulnerability.

The **childhood and youth are the most vulnerable groups** and in which poverty has **sharper and long-term effects** at education, social skills, relationships or decision-making levels. The **poverty limits present and future opportunities** of boys and girls and affects the well-being of the entire society.

Source: EU- SILC 2019.

### CHILD AND YOUTH GROUPS SITUATION



In all the local Probitas programs, the basic strategic axis is to improve the health and quality of life of children with the integration of **healthy habits** into their routines: balanced diet, daily physical activity, good hygiene, minimum rest of 8 hours per day, and emotional well-being.

The **PASOS 2019 Study**, coordinated by the Gasol Foundation in collaboration with the Probitas Foundation and 11 other research groups throughout Spain, has determined that there is a clear association between relative poverty and weight excess, and warns about its consequences in the medium and long-term, as well as the urgency of incorporating healthy habits into the routine of children to fight obesity between the ages of 8 and 16.

Source: Study "Pasos", 2019 (Spanish version).

### MENTAL DISORDERS IN YOUTH



The prevention and early detection of possible mental health disorders during the school cycle, including learning, behavioral or social skills disorders, is essential to implement **new approaches to child and youth mental health**, as well as to reduce the stigma of young people with mental disorders. Fundación Probitas trains teachers, educators and social programs instructors, in the early detection of these diseases and supports innovative therapies to mitigate the effect of these disorders in their lives.

Source: WHO.

### LOCAL PROGRAM STRATEGY AXES

The objective of the Probitas Foundation at local level is to **contribute to the decrease of child poverty**, improving the health of the most vulnerable children and offering services not covered by public health system.

The promotion of healthy habits in populations at social risk and equity in access to health are the priority axes of the different programs:



	HEALTHY HABITS PROMOTION					EQUITY IN ACCESS TO HEALTH	
	FEEDING	PHYSICAL ACTIVITY	HYGIENE	EMOTIONAL WELLNESS	REST	TRAINING	INNOVATIVE THERAPIES
<b>RAI</b>							
PRIMARY SCHOOL	●		●	●			
SECONDARY SCHOOL	●	●	●	●	●	●	
SNACKS	●		●	●			
SUMMER	●	●	●	●	●	●	
<b>SIT</b>							
SPECIALIZED HEALTH				●		●	●
MENTAL HEALTH				●		●	●



32,841 beneficiaries

The **RAI (Child Nutrition Support)** program contributes to improving the health of minors at social risk in our environment with a comprehensive approach, focusing on improving the nutritional status and the acquisition of healthy habits with special attention to the mental and emotional aspect.

Its sustainability is based on networking with schools, social services and other entities with which we have collaborated in social action interventions.



8,038 beneficiaries

The **SIT (Health, Innovation and Therapies)** program aims to provide an innovative approach to child and youth mental health and specialized health care for vulnerable kids, either in our environment or ones that require highly complex treatments not accessible in their countries of origin.



# Comprehensive care for vulnerable children

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a huge impact on already vulnerable children, **worsening and prolonging inequality, precariousness and social risk**. In 2020, Probitas Foundation had a double challenge: to continue with the active programs, adapting their execution to the restrictions and recommended security measures, and launching new emergency social initiatives such as debit cards during the months of confinement or in non-teaching periods.



## School meal support

### RAI PRE-SCHOOL AND PRIMARY SCHOOL



Thanks to the **canteen scholarships, 5,477 pre-school** and primary school children in vulnerable situations from 195 schools were able to access **healthy food daily** in a protected socio-educational environment in which to interact and lay the foundations for healthy lifestyle habits, decreasing absenteeism.

The Probitas Foundation's networking, together with the schools that identify minors at social risk and the social services of **58 municipalities** that validate vulnerability situations case by case, is essential to ensure that the aid is assigned to the families that need it most. 82% of the scholarships are dedicated to Primary and 18% to Pre-school.



### RAI SECONDARY SCHOOL "LET'S EAT TOGETHER!"

The Probitas Foundation carries out its in-house program created to ease the effect of **intensive days in high schools that no longer have a school canteen service**.

"RAI-ESO Let's eat together!" aims to offer a **socio-educational resource** to secondary school students in vulnerable situations, in collaboration with the **schools** themselves and **social entities**. At the end of the school day and until 5:00 p.m. **socio-educational** activities, **sports and mentoring** are carried out, after offering a **balanced meal**, in a safe space.

To monitoring the program objectives, we use indicators such as the degree of adherence to the Mediterranean diet pattern (KidMed Questionnaire) and the progress evaluation of the young people by educators and users themselves.

In 2020, **919 adolescents** from **34 high schools** in 12 municipalities in Catalonia participated in the 18 "Let's eat together" groups. During the confinement months, a program adapted to the circumstances was developed to continue supporting young people. With the start of the school year in October, face-to-face activities were restarted with great acceptance by youngsters and their families.

In 2020, the program was co-financed by the Vallès Occidental Regional Council and the Santa Coloma de Gramenet and Cornellà de Llobregat Town Councils.

"After the state of emergency declaration and the closure of schools in March 2020, it was clear that **we should keep supporting the 70 children part of the RAI-ESO "Let's Eat Together"** from Santa Coloma de Gramenet. For this reason, during that same weekend we met with Probitas Foundation and the Santa Coloma de Gramenet City Council so that the following Monday the families could have an alternative adapted to the circumstances. This phase has allowed to reinforce the link with the kids, **which is essential for them to feel integrated and receptive, and also**

**with their families**. The confinement was harsh for everyone, but it affected especially the mental health of young people who live in very precarious situations and did not have the space or the technological means necessary to follow the classes or stay busy. For this reason, within the framework of RAI ESO, and with the help of the high schools, we also enabled safe spaces in which these young people could carry out their homework. For most of them, the continuity of RAI ESO support during these months has been essential to maintain hope in their project for the future."



**Raúl García**  
Director Centre Obert Rialles (Obra Social Maristes Catalunya)



## Summer Program

The objective of the program is to continue with **comprehensive support for vulnerable kids during the non-teaching periods**. Public aids for summer programs are insufficient in July and almost non-existent in August. The summer programs promote social integration, the values of living in a community and healthy habits through socio-educational activities, sports and a balanced diet. It is an opportunity to reduce inequalities and to live a unique experience for these children.

This year, after 4 months with the schools closed, the summer program has been more necessary than ever, which is why the allocated resources **were increased by 12% and 8,590 minors and vulnerable young people** were able to enjoy a few days of coexistence with others boys and girls their age in a safe environment. Coordination with 87 entities and the municipalities of the 42 localities, allowed to carry out these programs with all the necessary safety and hygiene measures.

### AUGUST FOR EVERYONE!



During **August**, needs persist, but support is very scarce or absent. Therefore, **Probitas Foundation** designed in 2014 a specific program to meet the needs of the **most underprivileged children** referred by social services. Probitas organizes and coordinates, together with **town councils and social entities**, outdoor campsites, which are safe spaces to **promote healthy habits**.

Probitas Foundation designs annually, together with different entities, a program of 8 hours a day with socio-educational and free-time activities such as cultural and sports daytrips, and activities in the natural environment, as well as other more recreational activities in water parks, beaches and mountain excursions.

The activities are supervised by the Foundation, as well as the food offered to the participants, which must be healthy and include a minimum of two meals per day. In addition, the instructors and educators receive specific training in healthy habits from the Foundation, an area in which they will focus during those 4 weeks to educate the children in these values.

In 2020, **1,224 boys and girls** between 6 to 12 participate in this program in multipurpose spaces provided by their municipalities.

Municipalities: Barcelona, Badalona, Canovelles, Coslada (Madrid), Granollers, Barberà del Vallès, Mollet del Vallès, Montcada i Reixac, Paret del Vallès, Sabadell, Sant Adrià de Besòs and Santa Coloma de Gramenet.

### Fede Kuffer

*Coordinador Fundació per l'Esport i l'Educació de Barcelona (FEEB)*

In August 2020 we were committed more than ever to developing the summer program thanks to the support of the Probitas Foundation despite the logistical difficulties derived from the pandemic. The previous months were uncertain, but as restrictions eased, we pushed the activity forward. **The confinement particularly affected the population of the most vulnerable neighborhoods** and, in August, 317 boys and girls from families in greatest need of Nou Barris, Sant Andreu and Sant Martí, referred by the Social Services of the Barcelona City Council, participated in the program. For four weeks, food coverage, sports and leisure activities were offered. Many of these families lost their income due to not being able to work during confinement and many lived with other people in very limited spaces. All this produced episodes of stress, emotionally affecting the entire family nucleus and especially the children, aware of the difficult time the family was going through. **The summer program was designed to work mainly on emotional support for kids**. The contact with the families to share educational work spaces was made with the individualized attention service and through social networks. It was a different summer, but both children and families showed us that it was essential **to be present during August.**"



## JULY SUMMER PROGRAMS

Many social entities that organize summer programs for vulnerable groups in the month of July have received the support of Probitas in the last 8 years. The goal is that the maximum number of children and young people can access a healthy meal and **recreational and sports activities** that enrich the minor's experience: excursions, directed activities outside the usual center or outdoor camps.

In 2020, in collaboration with 76 entities, **7,366 minors** have been able to enjoy an unforgettable experience after 4 months of confinement due to the pandemic.



## Healthy habits

### RAI, TIME FOR A SNACK!

This program is oriented to the promotion of healthy habits at the time of the snack, in which it is usual to consume "fast-food", highly sugary and processed foods due to its lower cost and easiness to get.

In 2020, **10,389 children and youth** who attended **78 open centers** on **44 municipalities** had access to a healthy snack thanks to the advice from the Probitas nutritionist. The snack should be based on **fresh fruit**, to be complemented with unsweetened dairy products, whole grains or nuts, among other food groups.

To be part of the program, the open centers must carry out a minimum of **3 cooking workshops** with the children and / or their families, as well as raise awareness about purchasing fresh and local products and promotion of recycling.



### COOKING AND HEALTHY HABITS WORKSHOPS

Two **professional chefs** sensitized to healthy eating and local products were in charge of boosting **14 workshops** of healthy cooking in different open centers, with the participation of **educators, children and families**.

**78 healthy snack workshops** were performed in Catalonia and **20 healthy habits workshops** on **pre-school and primary schools** in Murcia.



## Social action intervention

The 2019-2020 call for social action proposals has been focused on projects that complement the lines of action of the RAI program and act on the vulnerability of young people living in contexts of poverty and interculturality.

The 13 selected projects have addressed the different challenges of social intervention in these groups with programs aimed at

children, young people and their families as well as for educators in different areas: training and empowerment of professionals to face multiculturalism and the promotion of family and parental relationships as well as social cohesion at the school, neighborhood or municipality level.



### INTEGRAL INTERVENTION WITH KIDS AND FAMILIES LIVING IN CAÑADA REAL (MADRID), THROUGH INTERCULTURAL MEDIATORS

**Esther Galante**

Director (Asociación Barró)

Thanks to the Probitas Foundation' support, we have been able to continue training and accompanying the families of Cañada Real (Madrid) and even more so in these difficult times due to the pandemic and the lack of electricity. 12 natural and intercultural leaders of the neighborhood have also been trained, thus increasing their socio-economic promotion and their participation as referents for social change.

PROJECTS	ENTITY
Young Polygon. A neighborhood at the service of an inclusive and healthy childhood and youth	Association for social mediation and cultural-Intermediation
School of Coexistence for Transformation	La Kalle Cultural Association
Moretlab. Young STEAM transforming Cáceres through interculturality and women's leadership	Help in Action Foundation
Weaving interculturality	Red Incola Foundation
Center for Comprehensive Childhood Development	Association Entre Amigos of Seville
Project of Socio-educational Intervention with minors in situations of social vulnerability	Comunidad Oblatas del Santísimo Redentor, Murcia
Tetouan in short: film and intercultural communication workshop	Grupo Tangente, S.Coop.
Journey to the realm of emotions, children's emotional education	Meniños Foundation
Training of young people to revitalize youth and community leisure	Saó Prat Association
IDEA'S LAB: technological creative space for inclusion and social cohesion of Torre Romeu youth	Idea Foundation
At Neighborhood level	Psychologists without borders
Pa'Ká, youth alternative leisure project	Marianao Foundation

**25,375**  
RAI PROGRAM  
BENEFICIARIES

**2,875,360**  
RATIONS  
(FOOD OR SNACK)

**95**  
MUNICIPALITIES  
ACTION

**7,466**  
BENEFICIARIES

**9**  
AUTONOMOUS  
COMMUNITIES

**SCOPE OF ACTION**  
**9 SOCIAL COHESION**  
**1 PROFESSIONALS TRAINING**  
**3 POSITIVE PARENTING**



# Health, innovation and therapies

The Probitas Foundation supports programs aimed at innovation in the treatment of diseases that affect children and young people in our environment and that are not covered by public health system, as well as programs to access to highly complex surgical treatments for children with severe pathologies that could not access in their country of origin. **Changing the life of some of these children is possible.**

## THERAPIES FOR VULNERABLE CHILDREN IN OUR ENVIRONMENT

### “ Assisted Therapy with Dogs”



#### Vall d’Hebron University Hospital / CTAC

The objective of this innovative program is to improve the quality of life of minors with Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) as well as Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and is carried out with “therapy dogs” selected and trained specifically for this. During 2020, **64 patients with FASD and 10 patients with ASD** have been treated. A scientific paper has been published showing good results as a complementary therapy since it promotes greater patient adherence and an evident improvement in social skills, which are highly affected in this type of disorder.

### “Comprehensive support for minors with Down syndrome”

#### Fundació Catalana Síndrome de Down

The objective of this program is to improve the health and quality of life of children and teenagers with Down syndrome through educational support and comprehensive family support. During this 2020 and despite the pandemic it has been possible to continue supporting **270 beneficiaries** in therapeutic groups (86) and in personal services for therapeutic care (37) as well as care for families (147).

### “Dreams”

#### Port Aventura Foundation

This program aims to promote positive effects on an emotional level in children with serious illnesses and their families, improving their prognosis in the medium and long term too. In 2020 Port Aventura could only open until January 5th and 5 minors together with their families (14) enjoyed a Dreams week in the Village specially designed to meet their needs, together with other children in the same situation.

### “Pediatric palliative care”

#### Sant Joan de Déu Barcelona

The aim of the program is to lessen the suffering and care of the well-being of children with serious life-threatening illnesses. Thanks to this program, **396 minors and their families** have been accompanied so that the patient lives with the minimum possible suffering from the moment of diagnosis and with the best quality of life. Due to the impact of the pandemic, in addition to the 2,250 visits to the hospital, home visits have increased to 1,133 and 9,208 telematic visits have been made.



#### Dr. Sergi Navarro

##### Sant Joan de Déu

Coordinator of the Palliative Care Service and Complex Chronic Patient (C2P2) - Pediatric Area

“Sant Joan de Déu Hospital **was pioneer in pediatric palliative care** in Spain 30 years ago, thanks to civil society support and the third sector. Since 2017, Fundació Probitas committed to this need and joined the hospital’s work to contribute to the the program assessment and to its dissemination and visibility too, with the aim of continuing to add resources and efforts. In recent years, and expecting that in 2021 the public health system will start including pediatric palliative in its portfolio of services, from the hospital and together with the entities **we have been working to provide quality to the lifetime of minors with serious illnesses** helping both to the families and to the entire environment of the minors, from a multidimensional, biopsychosocial and spiritual model. There is still a long way forward in this area but, without a doubt, the contribution of entities such as Fundació Probitas has played a key role in the development of this service”.

## HIGH COMPLEXITY SURGICAL TREATMENT FOR CHILDREN FROM DEVELOPING COUNTRIES



### “Journey to life”

#### Fundación Tierra de Hombres

This project aims to guarantee **specialized surgical care for children of African origin** who suffer from complex pathologies that cannot be treated in their countries of origin. In 2020, **16 minors** have been able to receive treatment in Spain and, due to the pandemic, 24 have not yet been able to travel from their country of origin. During their stay in the hospital and their recovery, the minors are welcomed and accompanied by volunteers.

### “Cuida’m”

#### Hospital Sant Joan de Déu Barcelona

The little 9-year-old Fatima from El Salvador and 1-year-old Mía from Peru were operated for the congenital heart disease that affected them, with a good result and a better prognosis for their future quality of life. Due to mobility restrictions, many of the cases had to be postponed.

## NEW APPROACHES IN MENTAL HEALTH

The 2019-2020 Call for proposals has been focused on 8 projects that address **youth mental health from an innovative point of view to combat stigma** with artistic activities, creation of educational awareness materials to normalize mental health, as well as training sessions for adults who are key agents in the early detection of mental health disorders.

PROJECTS	
“What’s up? How is your mental health?”	Anti-stigma Project aimed at young people and their environment (Associació Obertament).
Mental health and Autism Spectrum Disorder: challenges and approach strategies”	Confederación Autismo España.
“Protect me. Promotion of affective-sexual skills and prevention of abuse and sexual violence in children and young people with ASD and ADHD”	Federación de Planificación Familiar Estatal.
“Daedalus: choose your adventure”	FEAFES CyL.
“Training course on fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD)”	For health, mental health and education professionals (Fundación Aprender).
“Awakened minds: creating connections”	Via Activa Private Foundation.
“The Art of Understanding Emotions”	Sorapan de Rieros Foundation.

<p><b>8,038</b> BENEFICIARIES</p>	<p><b>9</b> AUTONOMOUS COMMUNITIES</p>	<p><b>5</b> TRAINING PROJECTS FOR NON-EXPERT PROFESSIONALS</p>
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LINE OF ACTION #2

# EQUITABLE ACCESS TO HEALTH

## Improving access to health in countries with precarious health systems



### Strategic Alliance with World Health Organization (WHO) (2018-2020)

In 2018, Probitas Foundation starts a strategic alliance with WHO within the framework of cooperation to **improve access to health, and especially achieve a quality diagnosis of Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs)** both in the scope of the Global Laboratory Initiative (GLI) program and the International Cooperation program (PCI).

Although the advance of NTDs has decreased, there are still major gaps in diagnosis, capacity building and funding. Only a multisectoral and holistic methodology, following the "One Health" approach and through alliances like the one established between the Probitas Foundation and the WHO, will be able to help achieve the control and reduction of these diseases in the medium term.

**50%**

of the world's population without access to basic health services

**100 million**

people destined to extreme poverty (\*) due to compulsory payment for health services

Improving access to health for the most vulnerable populations in hard to reach areas means having universal health coverage, ensuring that children and women, and minority groups receive essential health services wherever they live, without sustaining financial difficulties.

Commitment to **equity in health and quality health care** are Probitas Foundation programs 'milestones.

(\*) Live on less than \$ 1.90 a day.

Source: WB/WHO UHC Global Monitoring Report 2019

**1 billion**

people suffer from Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in 145 countries

**229 million**

people are infected with Malaria every year

**1.5 million**

people die each year from Tuberculosis and 400,000 from Malaria

**7.1 million**

people are estimated to have no access to HIV / AIDS diagnosis



**GLI** Global Laboratory Initiative  
29 laboratories in 12 countries

**PCI** International Cooperation Program  
19 projects in 17 countries

The GLI (Global Laboratory Initiative) program, offers quality and proximity clinical diagnosis, ensuring the reliability of the tests and the rapidity of the results.

The work of a **multidisciplinary team** allows the rehabilitation of laboratories, the provision of equipment and the training of local personnel. The GLI is the doorway to detect health problems in a community and determine priorities accordingly.

The **International Cooperation Program** strengthens health systems to improve the control or elimination of NTDs that affect vulnerable and marginalized communities in remote and isolated areas.

In partnership with entities on the ground and national health authorities, the program offers not only financial resources, but also **technical expertise and adequate training** of local staff.

Probitas Foundation has been working since 2010 to **fight malaria, HIV / AIDS, tuberculosis and Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in regions with deprived health systems**. These types of diseases, most of which are little known, affect primarily the most disadvantaged populations and cause immense human suffering and high mortality. NTDs are a devastating obstacle to health, represent a great burden of care and perpetuate poverty and social vulnerability.

For this reason, Probitas Foundation wants to contribute to ensure that more and more people are free of diseases and do not suffer the stigma associated with many of them.

Source: WHO



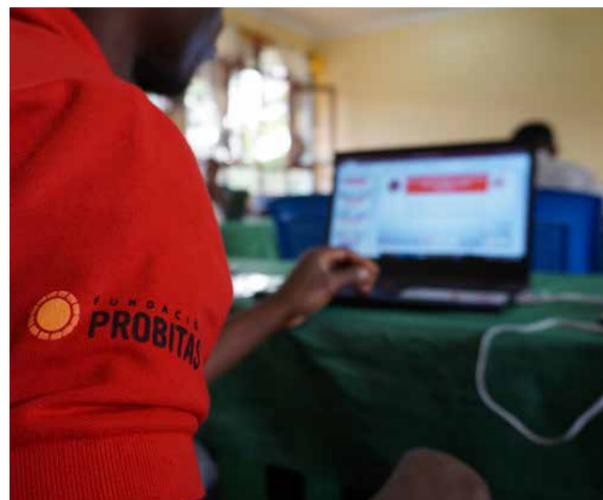
# Importance of the laboratory in the treatment of diseases

Over the last 10 years, Probitas Foundation has set up **29 clinical diagnostic laboratories** within the framework of the "Global Laboratory Initiative" program. During the COVID-19 pandemic, it has been confirmed that access to adequate diagnostic techniques, effective treatment and a solid and well-planned health system are the priority axes for the control and elimination of diseases that pose a threat to public health. **A late or inaccurate diagnosis of a**

**disease and ineffective treatment may have huge consequences for the patient's and the general population health.**

However, in most countries with limited resources, quality laboratory diagnosis is still a challenge due to the deficit of essential infrastructure and basic equipment, the lack of supply of materials and the low qualification of the personnel.

## THE GLI PROGRAM IS ORIENTED TO MEDIUM AND LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY



### GLI NETWORKING: KNOWLEDGE SHARING NETWORK

The Probitas Foundation promotes the **GLI-Networking** grid, which integrates the 29 GLI laboratories aiming to share knowledge, problem solving, contributing to the improvements of the GLI-Software management program, promoting new training or carrying out quality controls and periodic maintenance of the laboratory.

In addition, within the framework of the **Post-GLI** program, once the laboratory is fully operational, and based on the results regarding prevalence, new projects can be implemented to continue improving the community health status.

## 29 laboratories in 12 countries

The global COVID-19 pandemic has made it difficult to access health care in the countries of intervention due to mobility restrictions and the fear of contagion in the health centers themselves. Although some projects have been slowed down, they have continued with **basic medical care** and essential **diagnosis** to properly monitoring and care of chronic and vulnerable patients.



### GLI Ivory Coast Phase 1

During the field visit in February 2020, together with the partner Anesvad, Fundación Probitas detected the deficit of clinical diagnosis in rural areas where 60% of the population of the Divo district live (260,000 inhabitants). The location and priorities of the three laboratories planned to be developed in the territory are being analyzed.



### Liberia Phase 2

The rehabilitation works of the laboratory of the St. Joseph Hospital in Monrovia began after several delays related to the PCR unit, which will finally be moved outside the premises. The works will be carried out in three phases to avoid the paralysis of the hospital laboratory, which has a significant healthcare workload.



### GLI Dominican Republic Phase 3

In collaboration with Save the Children, the laboratory of the Provincial Hospital of Hato Mayor has been rehabilitated and equipped. In December 2020, the facilities were inaugurated and with an investment of € 80,000, offer greater and better access to diagnostic tests for the 20,000 inhabitants of the area.



### GLI Angola Phase 4

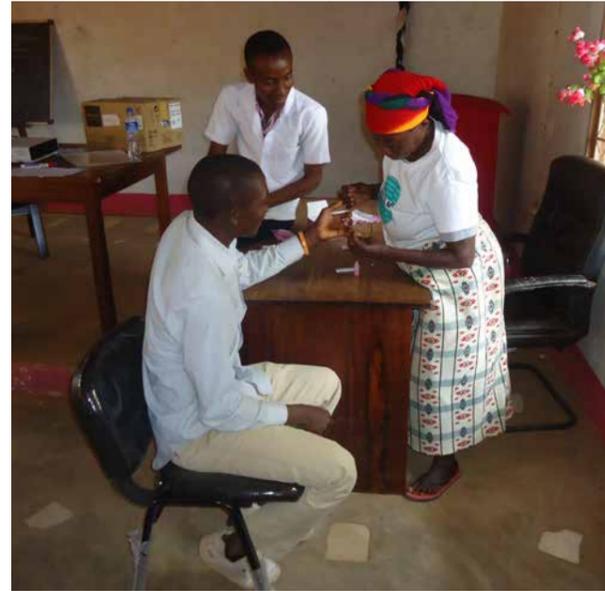
In collaboration with VHIR (Vall d'Hebron Research Institute), the electrical installation of the laboratory has been renovated and operates exclusively with energy from a photovoltaic solar system, a new biochemistry equipment has been installed and a biosafety cabinet has been acquired for handling highly infectious samples such as tuberculosis ones.



**Collaboration with WHO in projects to improve access to diagnosis of vulnerable populations.**

**STRATEGIC GLI**

Within the framework of the global partnership with WHO, synergies with the Neglected Tropical Diseases Department are continuous and highly productive.



**GLI Kigoma in Tanzania Phase 5**

The final external evaluation of the laboratory's operation and its impact has been carried out, confirming its long-term sustainability.

**Post GLI-Kigoma GLI NETWORKING**

Project focusing on blood transfusion safety, in collaboration with the Spanish and Tanzanian Red Cross. The goal is to increase safe blood transfusions through training and changing the perception of cultural stigmas. In 12 months, results have been highly above expectations going from 85 to 616 annual donations. The commitment of 65 groups of reliable donors, give continuity to the project.

**Post GLI-Lunsar in Sierra Leone GLI NETWORKING**

In Marampa County, with a high prevalence of HIV / AIDS and tuberculosis, a project has been developed with the St. John of God Hospital focused on improving the resilience of the population through awareness-raising. In addition, home care for the most vulnerable patients has been ensured.

In 2020, three NTD control projects have been implemented jointly to improve access to diagnosis:

- **LEISHMANIASIS:** it has intervened in endemic areas such as Southeast Asia and East Africa, providing rapid diagnostic tests and creating a quality control system for Africa, eastern Mediterranean, Central America and Latin America.
- **YAWS:** rapid diagnostic tests and laboratory reagents have been delivered. In addition, the PCR laboratory at the Pasteur Institute in Cameroon has received training and community workers have been educated to actively search for cases in Ghana and Papua New Guinea.
- **CHAGAS DISEASE:** the activity has focused on the diagnosis, the active case finding, and the treatment and interruption of mother-to-child transmission, in addition to strengthening the quality control system.



# Strategy and Innovation in diagnosis



The GLI program has been since its creation in 2010, an **innovative clinical laboratory model** for his **quality level and suitability** to the conditions of health systems in countries with little resources, **and because is oriented to be sustainable.**

In collaboration with the WHO and research centers, Fundación Probitas continues to seek opportunities to innovate and optimize existing resources:



**GLI SOFTWARE**

The foundation team created a necessary tool for **laboratory management** that is offered to all GLI centers to improve the registration, management and analysis of data for each laboratory. The GLI Software, in the near future, will be able to incorporate new applications such as the storage of microscopic images for diagnosis, as well as serve as a quality data collection tool that countries can share directly with the World Health Organization (OMS) through its "WISCENTD" platform.

**"IMAGING": MICROSCOPIC DIAGNOSIS BY ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

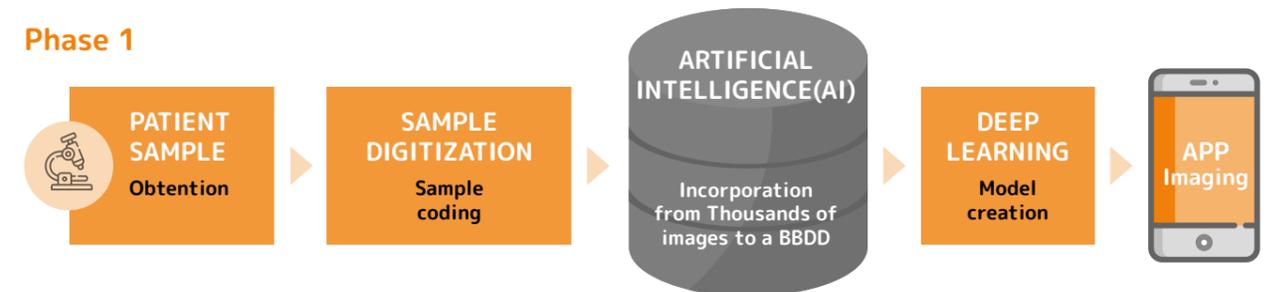
Perform a quality and real-time diagnosis anywhere in the world with a mobile phone is the aim of Imaging, a **technologically innovative** project in which the Probitas Foundation, the Polytechnic University of Catalonia (UPC) and the Vall d'Hebron Research Institute collaborate (VHIR). The project also has the technical support of the WHO within its strategic line of developing mobile applications at the service of health.

In 2020, the first phase has started, consisting of the digitization, labeling and preparation of thousands of images of different diseases to create the model (AI) for the mobile application (APP Imaging). In a second phase, the testing and implementation of the APP will be carried out and its integration into the GLI Software laboratory management program in the GLI Probitas laboratory network.

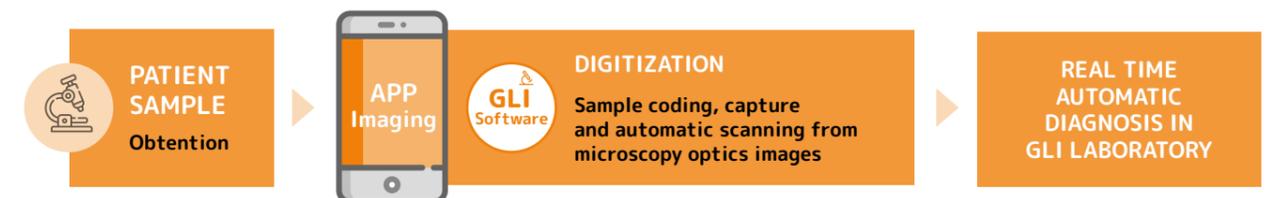
Thanks to artificial intelligence (AI), the microscopic diagnosis of diseases such as Malaria or Leishmaniasis, will have an **impact of great proportions in remote areas** where there are not enough technical laboratory personnel or they do not have the necessary training and will also serve as a tool of diagnose quality control.

The **multidisciplinary team** is made up of the Probitas Foundation, the Computational Biology, Database Technologies & Image processing Group and Services Engineering and Information Systems departments at UPC and for VHIR, the Drassanes Tropical Medicine unit and the Microbiology Service.

**Phase 1**



**Phase 2**





# Fight against Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs)

This year, and as a result of the alliance initiated with the WHO in 2018, the Foundation's International Cooperation program has focused on the control and elimination of 13 of the 20 **Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs)** recognized by the WHO, as well as on other prevalent diseases in contexts of poverty. Despite the pandemic, the implementation of the projects has been carried out by adapting to the health and mobility restrictions in each country, although some activities with the communities have been postponed awaiting more appropriate conditions.

## "Improving HIV-AIDS and malaria prevention and adherence to treatment in rural communities in southern Mozambique"

Fundacion Mozambique Sur / Fundaçao Encontro



The objective being to reduce HIV / AIDS and malaria infections, improving access to quality health care through a staff team in charge of prevention and patient monitoring, achieving 90% adherence to treatment (6,935 patients).

## "Decrease in the incidence of the Chagas Disease" in Bolivia

NorSud Intercultural Foundation

Project to fight Chagas in the endemic region of Chaco to reduce its incidence. A participating prevention model has been implemented by reinforcing health services with capacities for prevention, early detection, diagnosis, treatment, and patient follow-up.

## "Implementation of early diagnosis techniques for Chagas" in Argentina

FIPEC Foundation

The use of innovative molecular biology techniques for the early diagnosis of syphilis and congenital Chagas disease has been promoted, focusing on the control of mother-to-child disease transmission. In addition, it has been possible to know the burden of these infections in vulnerable population treated in public centers with the final aim of being able to facilitate the best therapeutic options.

## "Mapping of Onchocerciasis, Lymphatic Filariasis and Loasis" in Equatorial Guinea

Carlos III Health Institute



Aiming to detect transmission of Lymphatic Filariasis and Loasis to develop national recommendations that achieve its elimination. Different laboratory detection techniques have been evaluated in order to make recommendations on the treatment and surveillance of these diseases.

## "Expanding Rabies Surveillance" Philippines

GARC (Global alliance for Rabies Control)



Pilot project of electronic health control against rabies, implementing a sustainable and immediate alert system for suspected cases. A team of 623 people has been trained for the rapid identification of cases with the objective of improving its containment.

# Ebola Project



## "Production of Anti-Ebola Immunoglobulins" in Liberia

This project promoted by Fundación Probitas and the Grifols group will allow its use as a **therapy for future epidemics**. The 2016 launch of the Plasmapheresis Modular Center (PMC) in Monrovia, the strong commitment of the NGO Afromedical and the survivor's association "National Ebola Survivors' Network" has allowed the constant donation of plasma and the production of anti-Ebola immunoglobulins at the new Grifols plant in the United States. The foundation manages the project on the ground together with the country's Ministry of Health and local entities, offering nutritional reinforcement and medical care to the most affected communities, **breaking the stigma and turning people who suffered from Ebola into references in their community**.

Due to mobility restrictions and the closure of the PMC for two months, in 2020 plasma donations have decreased to 692, but the program has been managed to remain active.

## DOMINANT DISEASE BY COUNTRY OF OPERATION

Disease	Country
Chagas	Argentina
	Bolivia
	Nicaragua
Sickle cell disease	Ivory Coast
	Dem. Rep. of the Congo
Echinococcosis	Mongolia
	Equatorial Guinea
Lymphatic filariasis	Ethiopia
	Equatorial Guinea
Soil-transmitted helminths	Ecuador
Leishmaniasis	Kenya
Malaria	Nigeria
	Ecuador
Yaws	Papua New Guinea
Rabies	Philippines
Taeniasis	Cambodia
Trachoma	Mali
Tuberculosis	South Sudan
HIV AIDS	Mozambique

## Four years later

James Johnson, Local Project Manager of the "Ebola Project"



It was very exciting when the first bag of plasma was obtained just two weeks after I started visiting potential donors. Four years later, donors are still just as excited: the possibility that their plasma could be used in other places where there are outbreaks of the disease motivates them, since they are aware that their donations and sacrifices.

In 2016, I started working at the PMC to serve plasma donors and train local staff for the future management of the center

by the Liberian Ministry of Health. Despite the difficulties in finding workers, I am very satisfied to note that in 2020 the PMC is operated entirely by local employees.

I am deeply grateful to the Probitas Foundation and the Grifols group, as well as to all those who continue to make this project possible: the National Reference Laboratory (NRL) and St. Joseph Hospital as external laboratories in the analysis of samples; Afromedical, Save the Children and the National Ebola Survivors' Network, for enabling the recruitment of plasma donors; and the communities and donors who have participated. I also want to highlight the fundamental role of volunteering, people who left the comfort and safety of their families and homes to train us. Today everyone welcomes what we do and communities welcome and approve of our work. We hope to continue to be successful in the future serving the most vulnerable.

**113,200**  
DIRECT  
BENEFICIARIES

**1,039**  
TRAINED  
PROFESSIONALS

**1,181**  
AWARENESS  
SESSIONS

LINE OF ACTION #3

# EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG MIGRANTS



## An innovative look at the migration process

Economic and/or social vulnerability of people migrated to Spain

The "European dream" doesn't become reality for most of migrants

Within the context of the FARO program, Probitas Foundation has shaped and promoted the "Yakaar" (meaning "hope" in the local Wolof language), to enrich the opportunities of development of vulnerable Senegalese youth living in Spain and Senegal as well as to raise awareness about the difficulties and risks of the migration process.

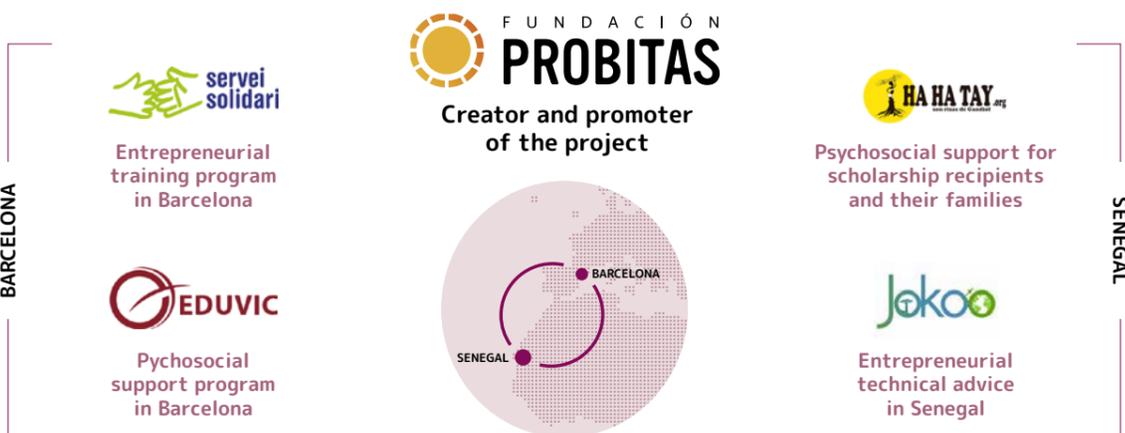


### Yakaar Program

The **Yakaar scholarship program** started in 2019 and represents a great opportunity for migrants from Senegal with high degree of **vulnerability** who wish to return voluntarily to their country after having confirmed a reality without a future in Spain and who can develop their maximum potential in their country of origin.

The objective of this program is starting their own entrepreneurial project in Senegal, returning **safely and with dignity**, assuring their **socio-economic inclusion** and acceptance by their family and community.

The program is designed to provide a **comprehensive guidance** for more than 3 years of these vulnerable people through the "Training scholarship" in Barcelona and the "Entrepreneurs Scholarship" in Senegal". They will have support throughout the process in the following areas:



### "TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP" IN BARCELONA



In June 2020, 2 people from the **first edition** completed their 10-month training period in which they acquired the necessary business management knowledge, entrepreneurial and leadership skills. Once the knowledge is acquired and after the approval of the business plans by the project's technical team and the validation of the Probitas Foundation Board of Trustees, the second phase of the program in Senegal began for the two fellows from the first edition.

In September 2020, the **second edition** of the program was launched and after a selection process, four people of Senegalese origin started the training course in Barcelona in October.

### "ENTREPRENEURS SCHOLARSHIP" IN SENEGAL



In this second phase, the two fellows have received training, advice on starting their business and funding. In August 2020, they made a stay in Gandiol (Senegal) to learn in depth about the comprehensive development program of Ha Ha Tay created by Mamadou Dia, a person of reference as a model for a successful return to Senegal. For a week, together with a relative, they participated in community activities and in meetings about the importance of their reintegration in the social and family environments. In December 2020, they already made the first investments in their respective companies: "Dolcefruiti" a mobile juice and healthy food store with a Food Truck in the capital Dakar, and a poultry farm in La Casamance in Southern Senegal.

### DEVELOPMENT ACTIONS IN SENEGAL

Together with Ha Ha Tay (Gandiol, Senegal) the program "The School of Life" is being developed to train young people and women in jobs identified as dynamics in the area, from an innovative and eminently practical perspective.

#### Pavilion construction



In 2020, the "Gandiol Women's Market" was built with the participation of 25 women and 11 men who have been trained in bio-construction and carpentry. Training women in this highly manly profession has expanded their opportunities for economic independence. The bio-construction of the "Yere Artistic Residence" for textile trades has also begun.

#### Youth Social Transformation



100 young people have been trained in leadership, entrepreneurship and community development to contribute to labor integration in their environment. Awareness-raising actions have also been carried out among more than 1,000 people about international migration, focusing on the causes and consequences in the different territories.



# NETWORKS AND ALLIANCES



Following the 17th goal of the 2030 SDGs, Probitas Foundation promotes the creation of alliances with social and health entities, governmental and non-governmental organizations, universities and research centers, to achieve the sustainable development of projects both locally and international.

We are grateful for the collaboration of these 420 entities as well as the support of the Grifols company, collaborating companies and individuals who have shown their commitment to the foundation in 2020.



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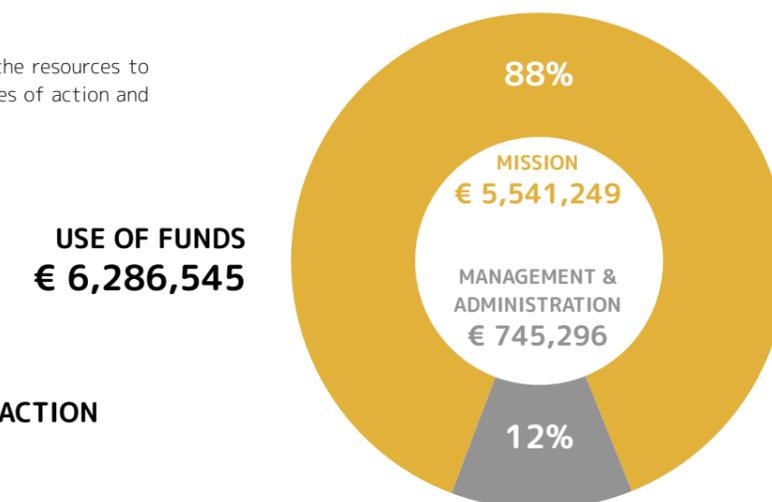
# FINANCIAL RESOURCES 2020

## INCOME 2020: € 6,293,015

The Probitas Foundation receives 0.7% of Grifols S.A. annual profits, which are donated by the company's shareholders. In addition, in 2020, resources have been raised from individual donors (Twin families initiative and donations from Grifols employees) and other companies. The public co-financing in 2020 for the project "RAI ESO Let's eat together!" with the Santa Coloma de Gramenet Town Council was € 32,201. The amount not applied to projects amounting to € 6,470 has been transferred to reserves.

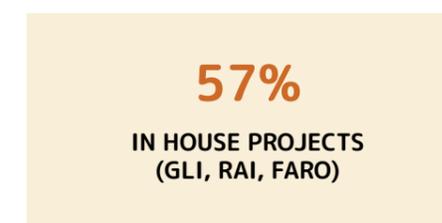
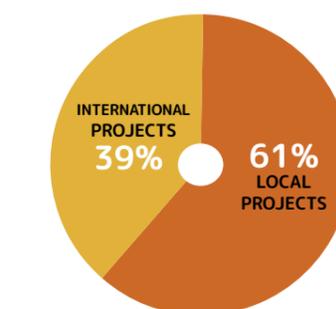
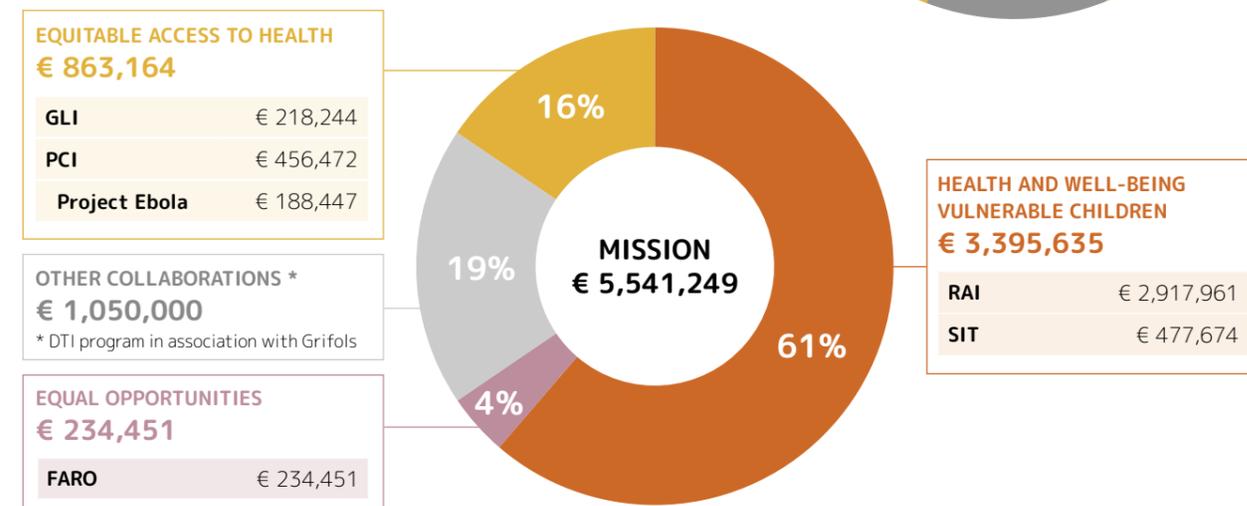
## EXPENSES 2020: € 6,286,545

The Probitas Foundation has allocated 88% of the resources to the mission with the following breakdown by lines of action and programs:



## FUNDS DISTRIBUTION BY LINE OF ACTION

€ 5,541,249



The Probitas Foundation will present the 2020 annual financial accounting in the Generalitat de Catalunya, complying with the stipulated legal period.

# HIGHLIGHTED ACTIONS 2020

The Probitas Foundation work in 2020 has been mainly driven by increasing even more efforts to fight poverty and vulnerability generated in its environment as a result of the impact of the pandemic. In this context, alliances and the involvement of companies and individuals have been key.

## ALLIANCE WITH CLUB JOVENTUT BADALONA



The "One Team" initiative of Probitas Foundation and "La Peña", that aims to integrate youth at social risk into their community through basketball, received the special award from the Eurocup. A group of vulnerable young people from Badalona participated in sports activities together with the players, whose official shirt bears the Probitas logo for the second year in ACB and Eurocup league matches.

## DELIVERY OF DEBIT CASH CARDS DURING CONFINEMENT



During the length of home confinement, the Foundation delivered 1,500 debit cash cards for food purchasing to families members of the RAI program from 24 different municipalities in Catalonia, Madrid and Murcia that did not get any public aid.

## RAI ESO "LET'S EAT TOGETHER" ACTIVE DURING THE PANDEMIC



Fundación Probitas has worked with entities and social services to give continuity to the program, adapting methodologies and strategies to the exceptional situation of the pandemic. Accompanying activities were carried out both individually and in groups with the young people and the operation was adapted so that they could have a healthy meal a day and carry out socio-educational activities online.

## LAUNCH OF THE TWIN FAMILIES FUNDRAISING INITIATIVE



Noting the profound impact of the pandemic on the population and the rapid increase in child poverty, Probitas Foundation promoted Twin Families, a long-term fundraising initiative that would allow us to expand the reach of the RAI program.

## GLI, A SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM CONFIRMED BY THE PANDEMIC



The Foundation's flagship program at international level, the Global Laboratory Initiative (GLI), also celebrated 10 years since the rehabilitation of the first laboratory. In a year marked by the pandemic around the world, the 29 laboratories that are active in 12 countries have reinforced their regular work with prevention and diagnosis tasks during the pandemic.

## 10 YEARS OF COLLABORATION WITH SANT JOAN DE DÉU



In 2020 Fundación Probitas celebrated 10 years of collaboration with the "Cuida'm" program with Sant Joan de Déu Hospital with the aim that children from any part of the world with serious pathologies could receive complex surgical care. Since the beginning of the alliance in 2010, we have managed to help 109 minors around the world.

## DONATION OF 1,000 CHRISTMAS LOTS



In the framework of the Twin Families program, Grifols launched a campaign among its employees in December, getting more than 1,000 staff to donate the amount of their Christmas lot to help underprivileged families. Thanks to their contribution, Probitas delivered sets of food and necessities to 1,000 vulnerable families through a network of 17 social entities across Spain.

## PRESENCE IN THE MEDIA AND SOCIAL NETWORKS



Probitas Foundation Initiatives, and especially those created as a result of the pandemic, have had visibility in the main media, positioning the entity as a key actor in helping disadvantaged children. In a year like 2020, in which digital communication became essential, the number of followers on Instagram has increased by 30%.



## School canteen for all

In the summer of 2020, Fundación Probitas launched the **Twin Families** initiative after verifying the strong economic and social impact of COVID-19 in many families, increasing their vulnerability and difficulties in meeting the most basic needs, including food. In Spain, more than 27% of children are at economic and social risk.

Twin Families **proposes coupling with families in vulnerable situations** to ensure that vulnerable children have access to a complete and nutritious meal per day at the **school canteen**, a safe socio-educational environment.

For kids in vulnerable situations it is essential to have a **meal scholarship** that, in addition to ensuring them a healthy meal daily, offers them a space in which to interact and lay the **foundations for healthy lifestyles**:



### Feeding

Children learn the characteristics of a healthy meal.



### Regular exercise

Promotes sport activities.



### Rest

Shows importance of good rest for a successful academic performance.



### Well Being

We offer children emotional support allowing them to improve adaptation and inclusion in the school environment.



### Hygiene

Children acquire the habit of washing hands up and the importance of personal hygiene.



You can be part of Twin Families with a daily contribution of 1, 3 or 5 euros and thus contribute to improving the present and future opportunities of vulnerable children in our environment.

### It is possible to deduct up to 80% from personal income taxes of donations to Probitas Foundation

Since January 2020, the types of deduction applicable to donations made in Spain to Fundación Probitas, as an entity under the special tax regime of Law 49/2002, of December 23, have increased. For individual donors, **the first 150€ deduct 80%** and **from € 150 the deduction is 35% or 40% if it is recurring.**

(more information in [www.aeat.es](http://www.aeat.es))



### Why school canteen is so important for children?

- A daily nutrition meal is ensured.
- Safe environment for vulnerable children.
- Acquiring healthy habits: personal hygiene, healthy nutrition, physical activities, emotional well-being and rest.



### JOIN



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**644,085**  
BENEFICIARIES



**26**  
COUNTRIES  
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