

Panagia Philanthropini effectively combines high quality standardized medical services with the Orthodox Christian Monastic tradition of care for the poor and love for others expressed in practical ways. Since 1991 it has provided tens of thousands of examinations in the field of breast and cervical cancer and is a recognized Center of Medical Excellence. Literally hundreds of women's lives have been saved from breast cancer!!

**The Ormylia Foundation is a non for profit private foundation. Services are rendered free of charge to all regardless of nationality, race or religious belief.*



The Ormylia Foundation

Center for Social Advancement

Disease Prevention and Medical Research

"Panagia Philanthropini"

Help save a life!

Support the Medical Program for Underprivileged Women and Homeless Children at the Ormylia Foundation, Center for Disease Prevention, "Panagia Philanthropini," in northern Greece.

Depending on available resources the Center's goal is to provide mammograms for an average of 5-6,000 underprivileged women and medical care to 2-3,000 needy, homeless or abused children every year.

Your gift will help make this possible!

Remote, economically depressed populations are especially targeted. "For immigrants from Eastern Europe, the Middle East and Africa, these services are totally unavailable given the cultural barriers that exist," quotes a write up in Reuters and Yahoo about the Ormylia Foundation.

4 out of every 10 homeless children examined at Panagia Philanthropini need treatment for moderate to serious medical conditions and diseases. Annually 20-25 breast cancers are detected in women at very early stages. Finding cancer so early in its development means it can be cured. The five year survival rate for Ormylia cancer patients is more than 95%.

Even a small gift will make a profound difference in the life of a homeless child or an underprivileged woman!

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Patient Stories:

Maria Patralexí* is a dentist from a seaside village of Chalkidike. She was tested positive for breast cancer: "I came with the women from our village not thinking anything was wrong. The doctors of the Center called me in after my mammogram and told me that they found a very small tumour the size of a sesame seed. They made arrangements for me to go to the hospital the next day. I went and was operated on. The surgeon took out the tumour with just a small amount of tissue from around it, making my scar small. After the operation the doctor told me that my cancer was caught in good time and that my life would be normal after some limited chemo-therapy. In two days I was discharged. As I was leaving the room the nurse came in and asked me to wait for the doctor. I was so scared that something was wrong. He came in and told me not to worry. He simply asked 'where did you get this mammogram? I have never seen such a clear and pristine image.' I told him at Panagia Philanthropini..."



Arnaud* a 17 year old boy from the Ivory Coast went home one day from school to find his father murdered by a group of gang members. His mother gave him 100 dollars and said: "son, go with God, and leave from here before they kill you too!" So he left his country on foot. Homeless and alone, eventually he was sold to a middle aged man in Greece who forced him to beg for money on the street. When

he would return to his "owner" at night if the money he brought in was "not enough" he was severely beaten. Finally he escaped living on the streets. When he came with a group of other homeless children to the Center, Arnaud was asked "since you left your home which day was your best day?" He smiled joyfully and said: "today coming to the monastery medical center!" After being seen by paediatricians he was diagnosed as having a urinary tract injury from being beaten. The center staff navigated Arnaud through the medical system to make

sure he was effectively treated. Today he is learning Greek and going to night school. He plays soccer and hopes to do so professionally one day!



* Names altered to protect individual's privacy

Any amount will help, but here is a short list of what your contribution will mean for homeless and abused children:

- ❖ \$2 provides a meal for 1 homeless child
- ❖ \$10 provides a meal for 5 homeless children
- ❖ \$29 provides medical care for 1 homeless child
- ❖ \$290 provides medical care for 10 homeless children
- ❖ \$870 provides medical care for 30 homeless children

For underprivileged women:

- ❖ \$36 provides a mammogram for 1 woman.
- ❖ \$360 provides mammograms for 10 women!!!
- ❖ \$1,080 provides mammograms for 30 women!!!

Donations may be made:

- ✓ By **PayPal** at the Panagia Philanthropini site:
www.ormyliafoundation.gr/en/filanthropini.php
- ✓ By **Deposit** directly to the Ormylia Foundation Bank Account:
National Bank of Greece
IBAN: GR8101104530000045348011052
Swift/BIC: ETHNGRAA
- ✓ By **Check** {regular US bank checks are acceptable}:
The mailing address for donations is:

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