



# St Gregory's Foundation

Registered charity no. 1002469

Helping vulnerable children and families in Eastern Europe

## St Gregory's Foundation: Trustee Opportunity

### Background

The St Gregory's Foundation supports local charities in Eastern Europe to tackle poverty and social insecurity facing children, teenagers, parents and carers. Our projects address the root causes of disadvantage by putting families before institutions, strengthening a sense of responsibility and providing opportunities for vulnerable people to fulfil their potential. Our work encourages local initiatives and makes our beneficiaries active participants in improving their own lives.

We are a unique and small charity. We value the strong personal connections we develop with our partners. We are governed by a small board of trustees who are passionate about St Gregory's and the good work we do.

The board is now looking for at least one additional trustee to help run and guide the charity as we enter a new phase of our work.

### Who are we looking for?

We are looking for individuals who share our values of supporting others, and who will enjoy the unique challenges that governing a small charity brings. Any applicant will need to understand the role of a trustee as set out by the Charity Commission. We would also expect any applicant to bring an ethical and highly professional approach; be able to communicate clearly; and be willing to work collaboratively as part of a small team.

We have recently started work with a small number of grassroots charities in Moldova, as part of a longer-term expansion of the charity's work. We would welcome experience of working with partners in Eastern Europe and the Caucasus. Such experience will help guide the charity's expanding work in this area.

We are looking for the following skills and experiences in a future trustee:

- **Fundraising strategy:** assisting the charity in developing and implementing its fundraising strategy.
- **Legacy strategy:** advising the charity as it develops its approach to legacies.
- **International development:** experience of partnering with overseas projects, particularly in Eastern Europe and the Caucasus.
- **Language skills** (particularly Romanian, Russian, Georgian or other Eastern European) are welcome, but by no means required.

### Time commitment

Variable dependent on interest, but a minimum commitment of attending and preparing for around four board meetings a year plus the charity's AGM. Board meetings are held in central London with dial-in facilities.

### Benefits

Opportunity to be a part of a dynamic team working helping children and young people trapped in poverty and hopelessness. An opportunity to learn about Russia, Georgia and Moldova, to meet our partners and to attend our fundraising dinners and events.

For an informal conversation about this opportunity please contact [julia@stgregorysfoundation.org.uk](mailto:julia@stgregorysfoundation.org.uk)