

## -VAN VOLDEN CENTRE - INTEGRATED SERVICES FOR REFUGEES FROM UKRAINE-

<b><u>Organisation(s):</u></b>	Public Welfare Centre Bruges	
<b><u>Country:</u></b>	Belgium	
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<b><u>Theme:</u></b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Ageing & Care <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Asylum & Migration <input type="checkbox"/> Young People <input type="checkbox"/> Children & Families <input type="checkbox"/> Community Care <input type="checkbox"/> Co-Production <input type="checkbox"/> Disability <input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Homelessness	<input type="checkbox"/> Active Inclusion & Employment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Integrated Services <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health <input type="checkbox"/> Service Quality & Management <input type="checkbox"/> Technology <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce Support <input type="checkbox"/> Minimum Income <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify:
<b><u>Principles of European Pillar of Social Rights:</u></b> Check the 20 principles <a href="#">here</a> .	Principle 20. Access to essential services	
<b><u>Current status of the practice:</u></b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Concept and design phase <input type="checkbox"/> Experimental and execution phase <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Expansion and monitoring phase <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidation and transformation phase <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____	
<b><u>Social issues to address</u></b> Please explain the issue(s) in more detail.	There are approximately 500 Ukrainian residents in Bruges that need temporary and/or longer-term support.	
<b><u>Objectives:</u></b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To improve outreach to the Ukrainian population in Bruges and provide services of a material, social, medical or psychological nature</li> <li>Increase social participation of Ukrainians while in Bruges</li> </ul>	

<p><b><u>Activities:</u></b>  <i>Please summarise the activities put in place to achieve the objectives (maximum 200 words).</i></p>	<p>Van Volden is a centre that connects services across the city and region to provide different services in one location to about 70 visitors per week.</p> <p><b>Legal:</b> Free legal advice with a sworn interpreter about residence status, housing problems, rent etc.</p> <p><b>Medical:</b> Free medical screening and urgent care provided including physical examinations, TBC screening and vaccination. Creation of medical file and referral to general practitioner when necessary.</p> <p><b>Cultural and social:</b> the centre provided a collective space for Ukrainians to meet and speak with other Ukrainians</p>
<p><b><u>Key reasons for success:</u></b></p>	<p>1. Support of volunteers to address the increased demand on social workers</p>