



We remember – we help

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About the idea

Many years have passed since the war, fewer and fewer witnesses of this tragic history are still alive. The idea „We remember – we help” helps to ensure that it is not forgotten and is not known to the younger generation only from textbooks.

The idea is intended to be implemented by schools. It consists of meetings introducing young people to the topic of Nazism and the threats it still poses today, and a volunteer support system for seniors who have personally experienced the nightmare of war in the local area.

Students first get to know the story better through special lessons and by talking to people who will provide them with personal memories of those times. After that, the youth are to organize meetings with the elderly to identify their special or every-day needs and establish rules of support. In this way, young people become, for example, instructors to use the Internet, accompany mobile seniors during walks, help with shopping, etc. They also listen to their memories and write them down (if given consent). They also try to encourage the immediate surroundings of seniors to various forms of support – visits, talks, help in shopping.

Benefits of the idea

The school support system for seniors would allow them to gain real help in everyday matters, but also – thanks to contacts with young people – would help meet much deeper needs, e.g. to be heard and appreciated.

Of course, students would also benefit from organizing support for the elderly – for example, the opportunity to learn about 20th-century history directly from its witnesses, increase the sense of agency and being needed.

Do you want to know more about this idea? Go to the website:
www.inicjatorpomocy.pl/en

„Inicjator PoMocy”

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