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*Stories connect the
remote but alive
past with the
distant but very
much present
future.*



Ledarach 2005

INTRODUCTION

Storytelling has been proven to be one of the most effective and most common forms of communication people use in different areas of their lives, ranging from day-to-day communication and entertainment to education and language learning.

Storytelling, and methods revolving around it, support the development of language skills, enables humans to create their own narratives, their own identities and, consequently, over their own lives and relationships with others.

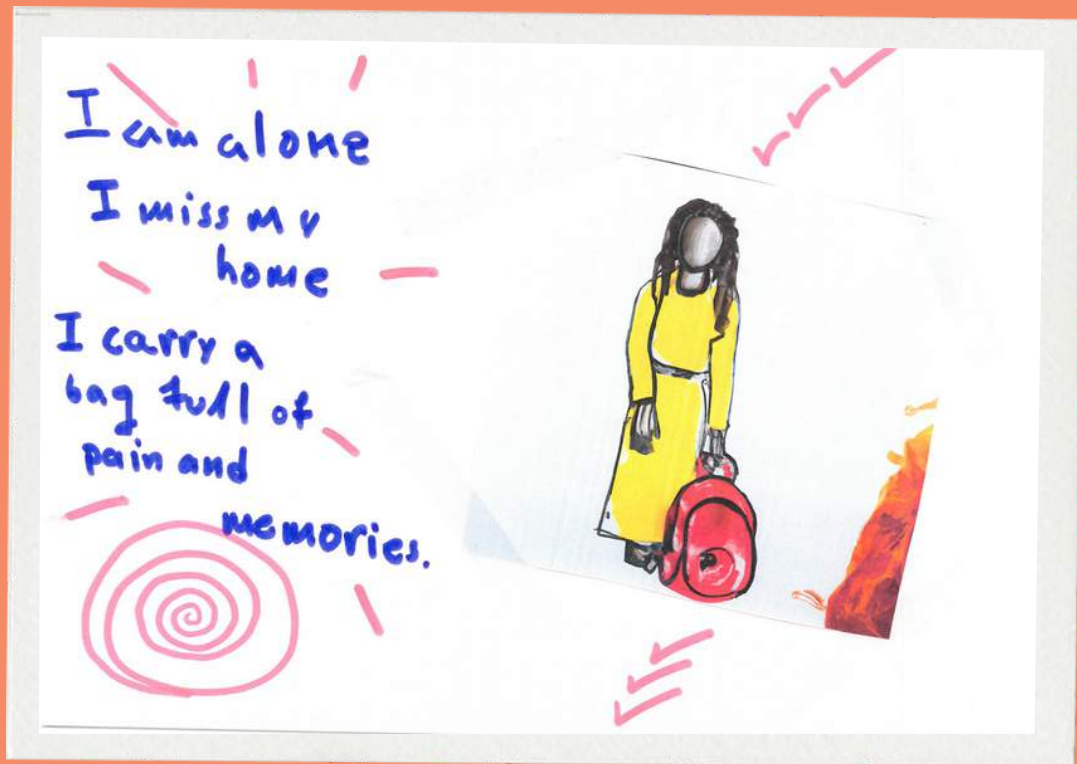


The present storybook illustrates the stories of inspiring women who have participated in WINGS social and labour inclusion programme which was implemented in Greece.

The programme was structured around 3 main areas, namely the language course, individual job counselling sessions and internship periods in selected companies to gain new practical work experience and apply newly acquired language skills. During the language course sessions, women happily shared their personal reflections about learning experiences and/or created new stories focusing on their future life with the support of artistic expression.

Advancing the method of storytelling and guided by experts, participants vividly portrayed their unique stories through collages of photos, images and drawings, which accompany their narrations.

The WINGS social and labour inclusion programme was implemented in the framework of the project **WINGS - New Gender Strategies for Women's inclusion**, a multi-layered action aiming to facilitate the social-economic inclusion of women in vulnerable situations. WINGS provides them with language courses, psychological support, tailored employment counselling and labour integration opportunities.



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I am alone, I miss my home I carry
on a bag full of memories and pain.

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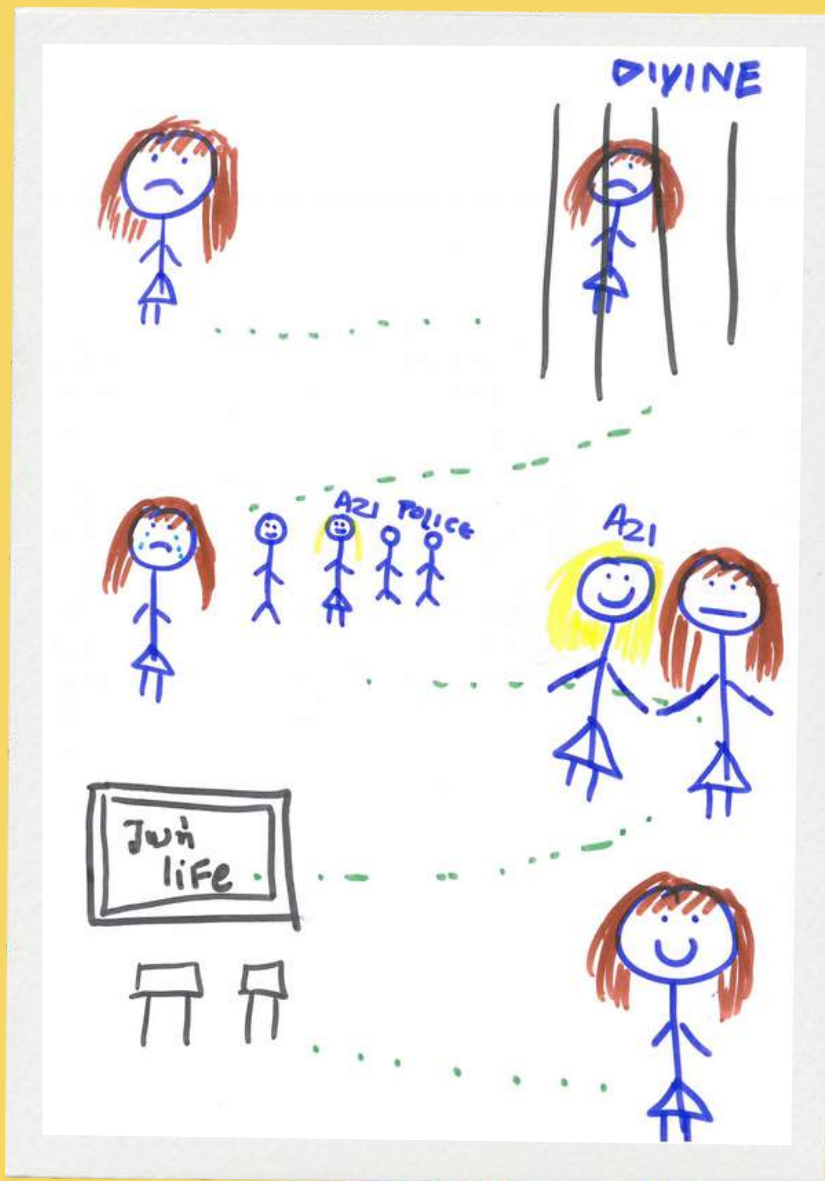
Η πιο ευτυχισμένη
στιγμή της ζωής
μου είναι όταν
ήρθα στην
Ελλάδα



“

The best moment of my life was
when I arrived to Greece.

”



“

LIFE

”

I miss my home
but I hope for
a bright future.

I imagine a
world full
of happiness.



“

I miss my home but I hope for
a bright future.

I imagine a world full of happiness.

”



I am open to trying new things, or open to new things to do/try...

New experiences



loading...

“

I am open to try new things or
open to do new things

”



“

SAVE PEACE.
Only peace can save the world
and only love can create
a livable earth.

”




“

We can do it.

”



Just me 



“
Just me
”

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WORK-If you have information about any case you want to work with, you already have the main step and opportunity to do in well. Information is a most value thing in any case. It gives you answers for your questions and reasons to take right decisions and open new possibilities. Quality work needsrest.

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FAITH - ΠΙΣΤΗ

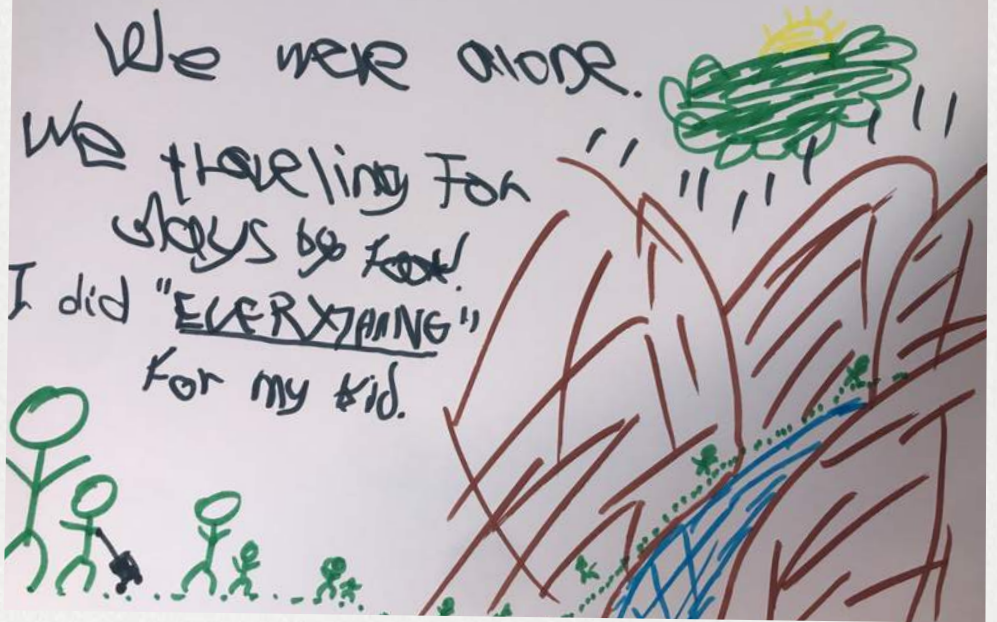


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FAITH

”

We were alone.
We travelling for
days by foot!
I did "EVERYTHING"
for my kid.



“

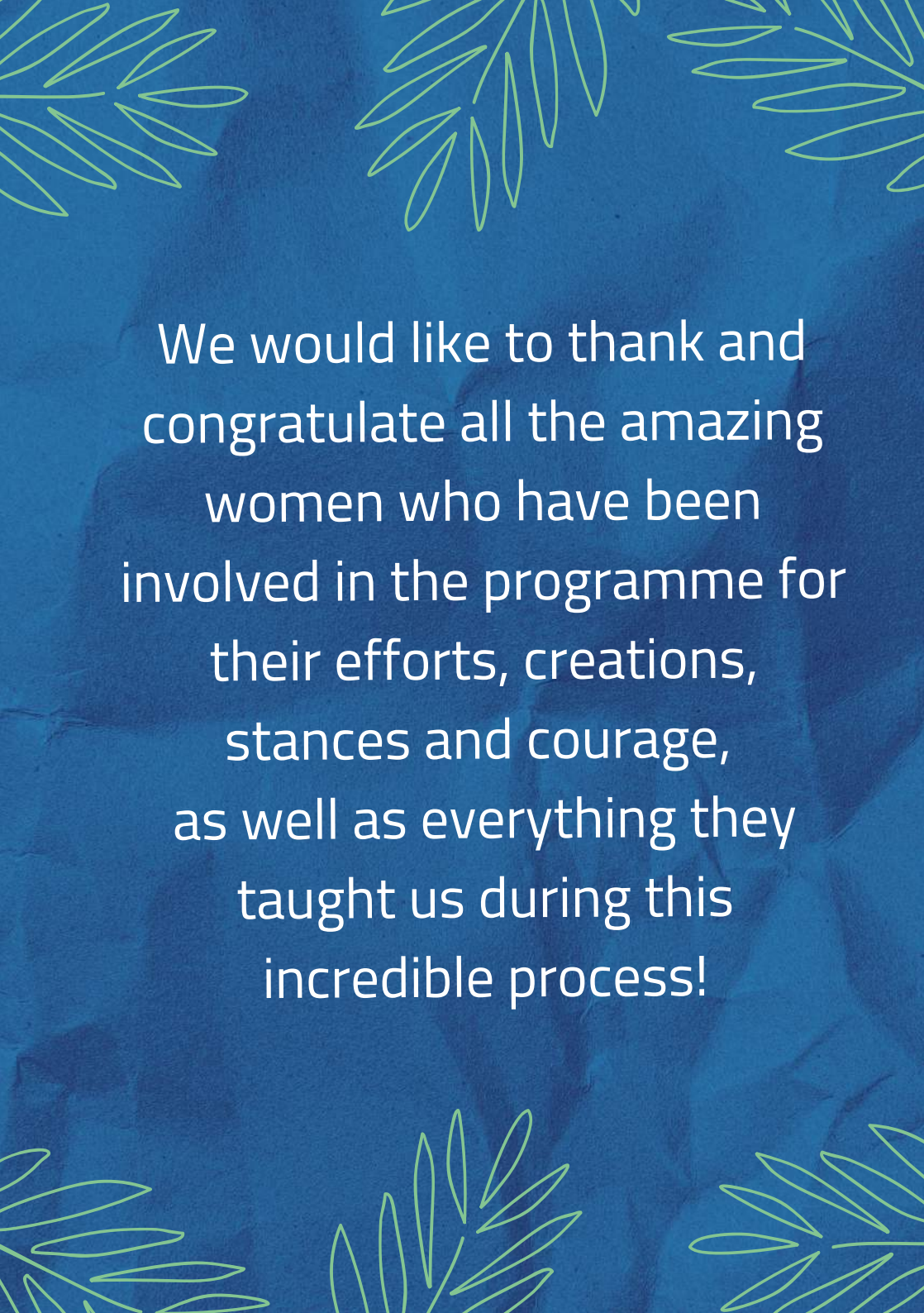
We were alone. We were travelling for days by feet.
I did everything for my kid.

”

CLOSING REMARKS

WINGS programme, including the sharing, structuring and creation of the stories has been a valuable lesson for both the women and the experts involved. Women practiced their newly-acquired language and presentation skills, exercised on vocabulary and dreamt about the future.

The experts who supported the participants throughout this journey got the chance to better grasp and appreciate the importance of telling stories to express ourselves and their dreams, to communicate, understand and empower each other and create networks of relationships.



We would like to thank and
congratulate all the amazing
women who have been
involved in the programme for
their efforts, creations,
stances and courage,
as well as everything they
taught us during this
incredible process!



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