

In recent years in our school, blood donation actions are organized and volunteerism as a philosophy and practice is generally promoted. In one of the presentations we learned that in our country there are many more road accidents per year than in other European countries and in addition the number of sufferers of a and b thalassaemia is rather big. At the same time, 75% of the population may need a blood transfusion at some point in their lives only - about 1.5% - are regular blood donors. This fact made a great impression on us as we have realised that there is no systematic blood donation and so blood stocks are sometimes insufficient. Taking into account all the above, we decided to create a system of information and immediate notification of blood donation needs.

A group of students from Greece, with few available means of technology and especially in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, created an application that highlighted the value of the public school and the border region of Komotini in nationwide scope. The initial idea arose from the need for immediate information of the volunteer blood donors of the General Hospital of Komotini "Sismanoglio", but is now also used by Blood Donation Services of other hospitals in the country.

e-Aimodotes is an application that records the emergency blood donation needs, as well as the planned blood donation events organized by hospitals of various regions. It also aims at directly informing the citizens, but also at raising their awareness about the value of voluntary blood donation, platelet removal and bone marrow donation.

In this way, the application contributes to the organization of blood donations, to the coverage of current blood donation needs and to the better management of blood supplies by the Blood Donation Service of each hospital.

Our contribution to e-Aimodotes contains love, tenderness and above all affection for the great social work of blood donation.

Our message: If we have even ten minutes available, let's dedicate them to donating blood, because it only lasts so long. It costs nothing, on the contrary it is a gift of love to our fellow citizens.

Our wish: All together, to try even more, to offer even more, to support volunteering even more, to make European Union more optimistic, friendlier and more humane.