

Upgrading and renovating the Operations Room for the Hellenic Search & Rescue Unit



Since late 2022 Navarino has managed and financed the challenging project of totally upgrading the Search & Rescue Helicopter Unit's Operation Room. This is a crucial unit from which rescue response efforts are planned and directed across the whole Greek territory. Impressively, within minutes, Search & Rescue helicopters often fly under any weather conditions to

save the lives of stranded individuals either on land or at sea, as we have all witnessed on the news. This was a gradual renovation effort, which took place around the 24/7 operational activities of the centre. We are proud to have helped improve the daily working environment of these brave and noble workers.

Kew Gardens Tech Support

Navarino has been an avid supporter of Kew Gardens almost since the creation of our CSR Department and our contribution to their work is a continuous effort to help save the future of flora on our planet. Our latest contributions included a specialized spectrometer and a cargo e-bike. The spectrometer is a device that measures the intensity and quality of different types of light (sunlight, UV etc.) received by plants and trees in order to monitor their "wellbeing", as well as helping staff to adjust their hydration and orientation as needed. A few weeks later we provided the funds for the Gardens to acquire a top-of-the-line electrical heavy cargo bike to assist staff with delivering heavy tools and plants to areas of need in an efficient and ecologically friendly manner.



St. Sofia AED Installment



Following up on our AED installment program in the UK, we contacted the Saint Sofia Greek Orthodox church in London to donate an AED machine, along with a KARPA seminar to its personnel. In March, our local associate visited the church and successfully installed the AED as well as delivering a three-hour seminar on life saving techniques. We are delighted to have helped such a popular British-Hellenic destination and our efforts to help the diaspora will continue.



Web Learning Seminar for the needy in Piraeus

In partnership with the Piraeus Social Charity (KODEP), Navarino's CSR Department continued our commitment to help those in need in Piraeus by organizing a seminar on how to use the internet, for twenty women between the age of 35 and 50. The course was aimed at giving them a fresh chance in the current job market and to help them learn how to use online public services. Navarino donated 20 tablets to participants and a range of financial aid for supermarket shopping to each of them. We really hope that even a few of our "graduates" will be in a better position to confront their daily challenges and that they will be able to use the online world to enhance their daily lives.

'Angels of Joy' visit Moschato old people's home



Our CSR department brought together the specialized medical-musical group 'Angels of Joy' with the Moschato old people's home, arranging for the group to perform twice for the residents in June at their premises. Both performances were very successful, with entertainment, music and sketches performed to about twenty of the home's occupants to provide exactly what was promised – joy. Navarino followed up with donations to both social organisations in order to cover some of their most pressing needs, such as A/C units and photocopiers.

Port Police AED machines donation

The Hellenic Port Police force has been on Navarino's CSR radar ever since the creation of our CSR department. In February, we were notified of a lack of AED machines on their eastern Aegean patrol vessels. As a result, we were proud to arrange for three AED machines to be placed on each vessel and to arrange a training session for a group of 25 of the vessels' officers to ensure they knew how to use these life-saving devices.



Supporting 'Care for Children'

In March, we were invited to sponsor an event for the world-renowned charity 'Care for Children' at the Piraeus Municipality Theatre. Navarino happily sponsored this very successful event, which was attended by HRH Prince Michael of Kent (the charity's patron), as well as members of the Greek government and the shipping world. During the evening, we learned from the charity's President, Dr. Glover, how he has managed to de-institutionalize 1 million children in China and deliver them to foster families. This Olympian achievement would not have been possible without the help of the Chinese government and of course the Glover family themselves, who moved to China for many years to ensure the project could succeed. The initiative now has spread to other Asian countries like Cambodia and Vietnam, with Europe being their next destination. Navarino also donated funds for the purchase of laptops for some of the children in order to provide them with an extra tool to assist their bright futures in their new families. You can learn more about the charity and its work by watching [this video](#):

