



Refugee children are demonstrating for freedom after the big fire that destroyed Moria camp. Photo credits to Ilias Markou.

*Here, the human suffering never ends.* Moria Hotspot, the symbol of anti-migration policies, the shame of Europe, was burnt. 13.000 refugees found themselves on the streets without access to food, water and a safe place to sleep. The chaos is getting even darker in the context of Covid-19 pandemic, considering that Lesvos has one of the highest rates of confirmed cases in Greece. Under the current situation, the concept of social distancing sounds like a bad joke, and so are the medical response capacities available on the island.

At the same time, solidarity is flourishing (while dramatically combated). Residents of Lesvos, grassroots movements and NGOs are trying to coordinate and respond to these emergencies. The self-organized camp, in which many of Mikros Dounias' activities are hosted, is effectively contributing to the emergency in various ways. We in Mikros Dounias, except for participating in the above, are trying to adjust to the new context and reorganize our ways of action. We will restart our pedagogical activities as soon as this is safe and allowed - hopefully very soon.

In order to ensure the safety of all people involved in our project, we need to increase protective measures and use a large quantity of hygiene products. We have decided to proactively test our staff and volunteers, which, unfortunately, is not an insignificant cost. Moreover, we want to contribute to a basic feeling of safety for the vulnerable families we are accompanying: provide them with any essential hygiene items; give them the opportunity to be tested for Covid-19 in case of symptoms or doubt; organize awareness sessions and campaigns. The situation is changing day by day and so are our strategies and actions; we will keep you informed!



**Any donation can help the community of Mikros Dounias  
take all necessary measures against the transmission of Covid-19  
& respond to the increased current needs on Lesbos!**

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**Thank you very much!**

The team of [Mikros Dounias](#)