

## Good practices in Hungary

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**Title:** Helping Hands, Greening Events, 'Replacc, Reglass  
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**Good practice for:** Reducing waste campaign, sensitisation, dissemination, promoting sustainability, awareness raising, volunteering, positive role model

**Description:** Within the framework of the Association's public benefit activities, green Belt Association offers complex environmental solutions from awareness-raising to how to reuse things. They organize team-building programs for companies in a spirit of social responsibility. They undertake works to tidy up kindergartens, hospitals and homes within the Helping Hands voluntary program.

The host places of these volunteering programs receive in-kind, visible, tangible, immediate help from the Helping Hands volunteers who can actually meet the people they're working for. Helping Hands have a role in building human relationships with the aim to build a better world. Helping Hands is based on the joy of useful, creative work in the community for the benefit of those in need. The goal is to organize unusual team-building events for employees of large companies. By having office staff out of the usual office environment, they can do different and maybe challenging work instead of their daily routine. Participants not only can try themselves in different tasks and experiencing real teamwork, but they are also doing something useful for the environment and society.

In their Greening Events project, the Association is offering environmentally friendly waste management for events and community venues by establishing selective waste collection and cleaning, and by organizing a full range of waste management services.

Their mobile playground RePlacc ('Placc' is another term for 'ground') project is using waste products to build playgrounds for kids, showing the youngest generation, that with a little effort and creative thinking everybody can create new and nice things from the old, unwanted items.

As a committed believer of reusable cups with deposit system, they also run a Re-Glass project. Reusable glass can reduce the waste on any events by up to 50-60%. The use of washable glasses is a state-of-the-art solution to reduce environmental impact at events. The glasses are made of strong plastic, ideal for any events as can be washed and reused many times.