

## Daria Bota

Daria Bota was born on 1 April 1938 in Straseni. She studied to become a teacher at the Teacher Training Academy in Calarasi and worked as a teacher for 40 years.

When she was 22 years-old Daria developed a condition of the thyroid gland. Now she has chronic sores on her legs and must go for monthly treatment at a polyclinic 3.5 km away from her home. Because there is no public transportation, Daria must pay for a taxi to and from the polyclinic. This costs 60 leis (4 Euros). The treatment costs 10 Euros every month. Maria must also take a medicine for her thyroid which costs 4 Euros a month.

Daria's monthly pension is 20 Euros. Because of her monthly medical expenses Daria cannot spend much money on food. She has sold her refrigerator, TV, and her cow, a major source of food, in order to buy basic foodstuffs.

Daria has attended Rasarit Day Center for the Elderly since 2004. Here she is assured of a hot meal, a shower, laundry services, and basic medical care.

Daria asks for financial assistance for food and medical treatment.

