

Azucena Sofocleous was born in Mexico, she studied at the National School of Anthropology and History in Mexico City with a major in Social Anthropology.

She completed her studies in History and Ethnography at the Lomonosov National University in Moscow.

She lives with her family in the city of Limassol since 1993.

She holds a Licensed Guide Diploma from the School of Guides of the Cyprus Tourism Organisation.

She founded and ran the tourist agency Pandora Travel.

She has taught Spanish language in public high schools in Limassol and Larnaca.

She is a member of the Limassol Intercultural Council.

She has directed the television station Plus tv.

Since 2008 until today she is the President of the KEPAKY Foundation, which with the contribution of its 9-member Board of Directors, aims at the well-being of our natural and social environment for an optimistic future for the new generations.

Some of the actions of the KEPAKY include:

-the establishment of the model centre and treatment centre for children with autism located at 8 Hector Street in Mesa Gitonia, which was donated by KEPAKY to the Association for People with Autism so that children on the autism spectrum can receive special rehabilitation programmes.

-The creation of the Practical Guide for people with autism in Cyprus, where people with autism can find useful information on services, benefits, legislation and rights of people with autism.

-the restoration of the 16th century church of the Holy Apostles in the community of Potamitissa.

the long-standing institution of study grants, which to date have provided more than 250,000 euros.

-the social programme "A Hand to the Youth" where through public schools every Easter Christmas and the beginning of the school year, 15,000 secondary and primary school students have been helped to date with a sum of 500,000 euros, all over Cyprus.

- The information campaigns on the environment, bullying, accessibility and racism in order to create conscientious citizens, as well as psychological support to school students, social integration of our fellow human beings with fewer opportunities, support to war victims in Russia, Ukraine, Lebanon and other countries, are the main thematic axis of the Foundation.

At the same time, in March 2020, KEPAKY pioneered the implementation of the Yellow Line of help and solidarity, which focused its action on addressing the consequences of COVID-19, in order to support economically vulnerable population groups in Cyprus but due to the war crisis and the increase in inflation it continues after COVID. So far, 34,000 food packages have been given to our fellow citizens facing difficult social and economic conditions.

Her husband Andreas Sofocleous, a strong comrade on the road of solidarity and their two children Ernesto and Christina are active members of the foundation's board.

She has four wonderful grandchildren, Sebastian, Diego, Azucenita and Maria.

She dedicates her social work to her homelands, Cyprus and Mexico and especially, to her grandchildren.