From 2004 until today the activity of Addiopizzo is constantly growing. Therefore, the community is now also to be found in Catania and Messina. This has been possible only thanks to the help of literally all of our citizens who have contributed their time as volunteers and thanks to the individual citizens who have supported us.

Donations via Bank transfer
Account holder name: Comitato Addiopizzo
Bank name: Banca Etica di Palermo
IBAN: IT10J0501804600000011219532
BIC/SWIFT code: CCRTIT2T84A

As reason for the payment, please write the following: ‘Contributo a sostegno della campagna Contro il pizzo cambia i consumi’
IL MOVIMENTO
Addiopizzo is an Anti-Mafia grassroots movement of businessmen and consumers who refuse to pay the protective money “pizzo” to the Sicilian Mafia. Addiopizzo was founded in 2004 in Palermo by a group of young people under a simple slogan: “We refuse to pay pizzo, a pizzo gratis and pizzo senza dignità (the entire population who pays pizzo is a population without dignity”). It is a voluntary Association founded by citizens who believe in active participation and shared responsibility for building a community that is fairer and more sustainable for all citizens. Addiopizzo is a non-partisan but political association, because it encourages society to make a firm commitment to change through a collective cultural revolution against the Mafia and fight for social justice.

CRITICAL CONSUMER AND THE MANIFEST
Addiopizzo has launched and promoted the critical consumer campaign “Pago chi non Paga” (“Pay Those Who Don’t Pay”), which is a collective practice that encourages consumers to make their purchases at enterprises and businesses that do not bend to the mafia conditioning. By purchasing and consuming from those enterprises and businesses that oppose the pizzo system, the consumer ensures that their money does not finance these enterprises and businesses that oppose the pizzo system, which is a collective practice that encourages consumers to make their purchases at enterprises and businesses that do not bend to the mafia conditioning. By purchasing and consuming from those enterprises and businesses that oppose the pizzo system, the consumer ensures that their money does not finance these enterprises and businesses that oppose the pizzo system, which is a collective practice that encourages consumers to make their purchases at enterprises and businesses that do not bend to the mafia conditioning.

ASSISTANCE TO VICTIMS OF EXTORTION AND USURY
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SCHOOLS
Addiopizzo considers education and intervention in schools to be an essential action. Therefore, volunteers of the Association during these years have met thousands of students from all levels with the awareness that the educational institution is the most important common good. The educational institution has the privilege to create a culture of democracy and legality based on participation and individual and collective responsibility.

SOCIAL ENTERPRISES
Over recent years, the Committee has promoted responsible tourism, enhancement of the territory, protection of the landscape and sustainable production through the brand AddiopizzoStore and through Addiopizzo Travel to affirm a virtuous development society that with determination believe in a cultural, economic and social growth of Sicily.

THE ROAD TO EDUCATION AND PIAZZA MAGIONE AND URBAN REGENERATION FOR SOCIAL INCLUSION
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ADDIOPIZZOSTORE
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INITIATIVES AND EVENTS
Throughout the year Addiopizzo promotes various initiatives including entertainment and awareness raising events in the area, involving the various protagonists of the movement’s mission (such as entrepreneurs, citizens, students, associations, parishes and institutions). Places and gatherings in which information, culture and comparison are promoted and where active citizenship is practiced.

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