

From the Charter of the State-Run Cultural Foundation of the Mari El Republic
“Republic’s Center for Mari Culture”

1.5 The Foundation is a non-profit organization.

2. Focus and Goals of the Foundation's Activity

2.1 The Foundation's actions correspond to its focus and goals, which are determined by the current legislation and the present Charter.

2.2 The focus of the Foundation's activity is the performance of works and services that aim to ensure the realization of the authority of the Founder in the cultural sphere, according to the legislation of the Russian Federation.

2.3. The Foundation was created with the following goals:

- preservation and continuous development of the cultural and spiritual wealth of the Mari people, including Mari rituals, customs and traditions;
- preservation and strengthening of friendship between nations living in the Mari El Republic;
- development of creative relationships with state-run and non-governmental organizations in the Mari El Republic, with notable figures in arts, sciences, and culture of other regions of the Russian Federation;
- providing methodological and organizational support to creative teams in the organization of studios, workshops, educational centres;
- establishment and expansion of ties with centres of Mari Culture and Mari communities operating outside of the Mari El Republic, with Finno-Ugric social organizations for cultural studies in the Russian Federation;

2.4 To reach the goals outlined in chapter 2.3 of the present Charter, the Foundation engages in the following types of activity:

- organizing and conducting cultural events, including ones that charge admission fees;
- organizing festivals, parades, competitions, exhibits of amateur fine and decorative arts and crafts;
- organizing conferences, seminars, creative laboratories and other events;
- publishing.

The agency may engage in income-generating activities in accordance with the present Charter.