



ANNUAL REPORT 2023

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INTRODUCTION

Dear friends, sisters and brothers, collaborators in the charity work,

The task of the Caritas president is to tend to the spiritual focus of the staff of our organization. This means to be close to them, listen to them, encourage them, and support them in every possible way. Over many years I have come to know the work of Caritas at all levels; and I have met many people who have spared no effort to help and relieve others in their difficult situation.



Charity is one of the three pillars in the life and service of the Church. Apart from bringing good tidings (gospels) and performing sacraments (liturgies), there is this third substantial element (the so-called diaconia or charity), the call to serve and perform deeds for the good of the weak and the

vulnerable - without any distinctions; for the benefit of the whole society. Caritas performs these deeds to the best of its ability according to the social teaching of the Church, which sees each human being as a unique personality with physical and spiritual needs.

I am aware of the difficulty of charity work, but also of its nobility and beauty, and certain

irreplaceability. Charity service is not easy; it is exhausting and often under-appreciated work that requires great commitment: not only professional expertise, but also the mentioned humanity and endurance.

I assure all our staff and volunteers, as well as advocates and supporters: Your work makes a difference - it brings relief, joy, and hope to many people in need! I want to assure you of my spiritual intimacy and my everyday spiritual support.

I am very pleased to bless you all!

Mons. Pavel Posád

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Bishop, President of Caritas Czech Republic

Dear supporters of Caritas work,
This annual report is a testimony to the tremendous charity work in the field of social and health aid in the Czech Republic and abroad. Our work is highly professional and voluntary; it is always needed and done with love and understanding for people who could not do without Caritas' help: seniors, people with disabilities, individuals and entire families threatened by poverty, endless debt and social decline, children and youth from excluded backgrounds and homeless, refugees from war from Ukraine and as well as other countries. They long for



a dignified and happy life, yet they do not have the strength, opportunities, or skills to manage the situation on their own. We want to help them with that, accompany them on their journey. This is our mission.

Our support for Ukraine's brave defence continues, just like all the aid to our regular clientele as you can learn from this report.

I am proud of our staff and volunteers and grateful for our supporters and advocates. We would not have been able to create such a great piece of work without the well-coordinated concert of collaboration of many willing and enthusiastic teammates.

I would like to express my gratitude to all our supporters, partners, donors, and sponsors, as well as media staff. Thank you to all those who spread the good name of our organization and thank you for all the donations and prayers.

Sincerely,

Lukáš Curylo

Lukáš Curylo
Director of Caritas Czech Republic

WHO WE ARE

Caritas Czech Republic is the oldest non-profit organization at the national level. Currently, we are the biggest non-state provider of social and health services in the Czech Republic and the second largest Czech organization focused on humanitarian aid and development cooperation abroad. We can boast of a century of history, yet we were able to start building a fully professional organization only after the regime change in 1989.

We provide social and healthcare services to people in distress or acute need. We make life easier for the disabled, terminally ill, homeless, victims of domestic violence and foreigners living in our country. We help in emergencies such as floods, fires and natural disasters. We strive for a fairer world by pushing for legal changes. We support sustainable development and improvements to the quality of life of people worldwide. And thanks to our membership in the international organizations **Caritas Internationalis** and **Caritas Europa**, we are immediately where our aid is needed **all over the worlds**.



Caritas Czech Republic consists of a network of **264 archdiocesan, diocesan, regional, municipal and parish organizations**, including the **Czech Catholic Caritas** and the **Greek Catholic Caritas** (for more information on the organisational structure see page 78).

The founder of Caritas Czech Republic is the Czech Bishops' Conference. The Catholic Church fulfils one of its main missions – the diakonia, i.e. caring for the weak and needy – through Caritas.

We provide assistance regardless of religion, race, nationality or national and political affiliation.

We respect the rights and the dignity of every person.

FROM THE CODE OF CONDUCT OF CARITAS CZECH REPUBLIC

Caritas fulfils its mission primarily through material, social, humanitarian, development, psychological and spiritual aid to people in need, as well as through its efforts to promote more fair and just conditions in our society. Caritas influences and co-authors social policy, draws public attention to the existing forms and extent of distress, and promotes attitudes of solidarity.

The ultimate goal of our charitable services is to protect human beings and their dignity from conception to natural death. Caritas's staff are committed to providing effective assistance while encouraging independence and self-help skills whenever people find themselves in various situations of threat or emergency.

The charity service is based on respecting, protecting and developing the natural rights of every human being (as described in documents important for work of a charity worker, especially the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the United Nations Charter of Human Rights and the Convention on the Rights of the Child and other international declarations and conventions; it is also governed by the Constitution of the Czech Republic, the Charter of Fundamental Rights and Freedoms and other laws of Czech Republic that derive from these documents). It is also based on the Christian concept of ethical values, anchored in the Bible and in the social teaching documents of the Catholic Church. It is also governed by the Statutes and internal rules of Caritas Internationalis, its standards and guidelines.

The charity service is provided to people at risk or in need, regardless of their age, gender, political opinion, family structure, health, sexual orientation, social and economic situation and status, ethnic or national minority, faith, religion and culture. The charity service abroad is carried out with respect for local cultures and religious beliefs.



Wherever possible, Caritas uses local resources and products supporting local economy in a way that prevents depletion of supplies and local resources and unexpected inflation.



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SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AND PROJECTS

AT CARITAS CZECH REPUBLIC IN 2023

■ At the beginning of January, the Three Kings went house to house to wish a happy New Year, to pass on the blessings and to give people an opportunity to help those in need through the 23rd edition of the **Three Kings Collection** (see more on page 16) in various locations of the Czech Republic.

■ At the conference in January, Caritas Czech Republic presented the results of the internal survey focused on **the impact of the current energy crisis and inflation on social services and their clients** to journalists.

■ Caritas Czech Republic has released CZK 300,000 from its crisis fund and immediately set up the **Caritas collection for Turkey and Syria** (see more on page 33) to aid these two countries stricken by the catastrophic earthquake, measuring 7.8 on the Richter scale, early in the morning on February 6th.

■ At the press conference called **One Year with Ukraine (Rok s Ukrajinou)**, its director Lukáš Curylo presented Czech statistics, an overall overview, as well as very specific stories and aid that Caritas has provided to people affected by the war. The unfortunate one-year anniversary was commemorated with a photo exhibition **One Year with Ukraine through the camera of the German Photographer Philipp Spalek**

at Václav Havel's Square in Prague and other events throughout the Czech Republic.

■ On the Sixth Sunday of Easter, the traditional **collection to help persecuted Christians and others in need** took place in churches helping thousands of people in need every year.



■ As a long-term partner of food banks, we joined the spring and autumn rounds of the **Food Collection** throughout the country this year too.

■ In cooperation with the music foundation Stadler-Trier and the endowment fund Hudba pro Věčnou naději, Caritas Czech Republic has launched a series of classical music concerts for the elderly called **Radost hudbou** (Joy from Music).

■ In mid-April, the Chamber of Deputies of the Czech Republic approved an **amendment to the Asylum Act** that grants the children of third-country nationals who have a long-term residence permit in the Czech Republic the right to

participate in the public health insurance system. The long-awaited change was pushed through thanks to the tireless efforts of Caritas Czech Republic and other organizations working with foreigners.

■ The **Young Caritas Forum** focused on getting young people involved in Caritas' activities took place in Kampus Hybernská.

■ We supported **people affected by the devastating explosion at the Kakhovka dam** in Kherson Oblast, Ukraine, and the subsequent flooding that hit towns and villages on the banks of the Dnieper River, exacerbating an already catastrophic humanitarian crisis in Ukraine (see more on the page 30).

■ Caritas Czech Republic has released funds from its crisis fund, established to help in emergencies and unexpected disasters, and at the same time it launched a **collection to help Slovenia affected by floods**.

■ Caritas Czech Republic has announced a **collection to help** people affected by the catastrophic **earthquake in Morocco**, which destroyed six densely populated provinces on the night of Friday 8 to Saturday 9 September.

■ We celebrated the second year of our podcast with a new format - the **ChariTALK special**, which featured a moderated discussion of experts from non-profit and governmental sectors on the topic of improving the quality of social and health care in our country.

■ We commemorated the **10th anniversary of our branch in Zambia**, which has grown to become our

largest branch abroad and where we have succeeded in improving health care for mothers and children, supporting refugees in education and helping farmers adapt to the climate change (see page 42 for more information).

■ In the parterre of the National Technical Library in Prague, we exhibited a set of 16 photographs called **Mladí talentovaní Ukrajinci** (Young talented Ukrainians) in cooperation with Caritas Uherské Hradiště. The students of the Photography and New Media Department at the ZUŠ Uherské Hradiště narrated the stories of these young Ukrainians who were forced by the war to flee their country through their portraits.

■ The war between Israel and Hamas has caused a humanitarian catastrophe. That is why



Caritas Czech Republic has released funds from its crisis fund and launched a **collection to help affected civilians in the Gaza Strip**.

■ Representatives of Caritas Czech Republic



■ At the press conference on 28th November 2023, **Caritas ČR received a symbolic cheque for CZK 4,623,510 from E.ON** to support **Caritas' clients from the Energie pomáhají project**. The first round of aid took place from May to July when E.ON distributed money for registration. Caritas Czech Republic received CZK 500,000 in the first round, and we divided this amount among eight regional branches where diocesan Caritas provide specialized counselling and services for people in need.



received the **Medal of Merit for Diplomacy**, which is awarded to people and organizations that have made a significant contribution to the development of foreign relations between the Czech Republic and other countries, from Czech Foreign Minister Jan Lipavský.

■ The Vinohradská 12 gallery hosted the exhibition *My tři králové jdeme k vám...* (We, the Three Kings, are arriving...), which was inaugurated by the author of the photographs Josef Vrážel and the Archbishop of Prague Mons. Jan Graubner. The collection of black-and-white pictures was shot in collaboration with Caritas Nový Hrozenkov during the Three Kings' carol in the region of Valašsko during a period of almost ten years.

FEAD 2020

October 2016 – June 2023

FEAD, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs – OP Food and Material Assistance

Providing food and material aid to people and families in need continued, funded by the Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived (FEAD) and by the national budget via the Operational Programme of Food and Material Assistance (PoMPo II). In total, **almost 40 thousand people were supported with food and almost 32 thousand people received material aid in 2023.**

POMPO III

Food and Material Assistance to the Poorest People III), May 2023 – April 2026

ESF+, MPSV – OP Employment Plus

The aim of the project is to provide food and material aid for people from target groups (people in serious food or material need, e.g. homeless people, families in shelters, seniors, single parents, children and others), which is distributed in cooperation with the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs through partner organizations, including the Caritas Czech Republic and its participating entities - individual diocesan Caritas. In addition to selected food items, other essentials such as basic household supplies, hygiene items, school supplies, tents and sleeping bags, and textiles are provided. Along with the distribution of aid, accompanying measures are provided to the assisted people, contributing to the solution of their difficult situation.



MILITARY SOLIDARITY FUND

The Military Solidarity Fund was created as a **joint project between the Ministry of Defence of the Czech Republic** and Caritas Czech Republic in 2015. In November 2023, both organizations signed a new Agreement on Mutual Collaboration, which significantly widens the group of potential applicants for support who find themselves in a difficult life situation. Now, the support can be provided also to professional soldiers within five years of leaving active military service, and most importantly, also war veterans and their loved ones and bereaved persons. All soldiers serving in the Czech Army, Military Police, Military Intelligence, Castle Guard and Military Office of the President of the Republic can apply for financial support.

Caritas Czech Republic manages a large database of donors (companies as well as individual donors) who contribute to the fund and works closely with the fund's board on processing donation agreements and providing financial assistance. In 2023 we **administered financial gifts in the total amount of**

CZK 9,390,700 for the Military Solidarity Fund. We distributed CZK 3,220,000 using the form of donation agreements. The Military Solidarity Fund publishes its own annual report which can be found at <https://fondsolidarity.army.cz>. <https://fondsolidarity.army.cz>.

CARITAS CZECH REPUBLIC AWARD 2023

On Friday, 20 October, the sixteenth award ceremony of the Caritas Czech Republic Award took place, for the third time in a row in the Cathedral of Saints Vitus, Wenceslaus and Adalbert at the Prague Castle. It was traditionally preceded by a Holy Mass in honour of St. Vincent de Paul and charity work. The Caritas Award has been given annually since 2008 **to outstanding staff, volunteers or supporters for their dedicated work.**

Ten nominated laureates received their awards directly from the hands of the President of Caritas Czech Republic and Bishop Mons. Pavel Posád and the Director of Caritas Czech Republic Lukáš Curylo:



Mgr. Petr Šimon, DiS.

the head of the Centre for Homeless People of the Diocesan Caritas Brno

Bc. Petra Vohlídalová

the head of the House of St. Paul, social worker at the Caritas České Budějovice

Markéta Vašková

the head nurse of the Regional Caritas in Pardubice

Dagmar Lendelová, DiS.

field social worker at Caritas Lovosice

Mgr. Anna Valachová, DiS.

the director of Caritas Kroměříž

Ing. Miroslav Hodeček

the head of the Department for Social Integration of the Diocesan Caritas in Ostrava and Opava

Ing. Jiří Svoboda

the head of the Shelter Domažlice of the Diocesan Caritas Pilsen

Mgr. Světlana Porsche

the director of the Migration Centre

Marie Kašpárková

former charge nurse, currently a volunteer, Caritas' Home Moravec

Mgr. Iva Kuchyňková

social coordinator at Caritas Czech Republic

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS AND PROJECTS

IN THE ARCHDIOCESES AND DIOCESES IN 2023

DIOCESAN CARITAS BRNO

■ The Brno Caritas included live camels again in the Three Kings Procession organized within the Three Kings Collection after the two-year Covid pause. ■ All the Caritas branches of the Brno diocese continued helping people fleeing from the war in Ukraine. They provided social and legal counselling, assistance at institutions, translations and interpreting or assistance with looking for work and housing. Thanks to the collaboration with a Ukrainian psychologist Caritas Brno was also able to provide psychological help to 35 newcomers in their native language. ■ The regional Caritas Znojmo continues to cooperate intensively with partner Caritas located directly in Ukraine and supplies them with material aid (other Caritas branches of the Brno Diocese also participate in providing this aid). ■ The volunteer centre in Brno launched a new programme supporting volunteers and clients - cycle therapy. The unique cycle rickshaw can provide clients with physical limitations with the joy of movement in the fresh air. ■ In October, the traditional collection Koláč pro hospic proved that

the popularity of hospice and palliative care among donors has been growing. The proceeds from the collection amount to CZK 2.5 million and the money will help patients of mobile hospices in the entire diocese as well as patients of the inpatient hospice in Rajhrad. On this occasion, the follow-up service of the counselling centre for the bereaved called Křídla vážky, operating under the regional Caritas Blansko, was presented to the public.

DIOCESAN CARITAS ČESKÉ BUDĚJOVICE

■ The Diocesan Caritas České Budějovice opened the Agáta centre for victims of domestic and gender-based violence in Dobrá Voda u Českých Budějovic. At the same time, it initiated the establishment of a professional platform Spolu proti násilí (Together Against Violence) in South Bohemia. The Diocesan Caritas České Budějovice sent its first volunteer abroad within the European Solidarity Corps. ■ Caritas Český Krumlov fused with Caritas Kaplice. ■ Caritas Týn nad Vltavou has a newly registered social activation service for families with children. ■ Caritas Horažďovice opened a civic counselling centre in Nepomuk. ■ Caritas Písek moved to a new address (Soukenická 161, Písek) and extended its car fleet of the field care service. They also launched a new project of the integration service of the Aid Centre to Help Refugees from Ukraine in Písek and

Milevsko. ■ Caritas Tábor increased the capacity of the hostel Tábor with 4 beds for women. ■ Caritas Pelhřimov fused with Caritas Pacov at the beginning of the year and took over its services. Since the beginning of May 2023 there has been the Caritas safety net working in Pacov - Community aid centre. ■ Caritas Prachatice-Vimperk was created by joining Caritas Prachatice and Vimperk together. The social activation services for families with children were expanded. ■ The reconstruction of the Home of St. Peter for men in Záblatí was started with the aim to increase its capacity.

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC CARITAS HRADEC KRÁLOVÉ

■ Parish Caritas Litomyšl took over the operation of the Mendryka Caritas Home from the Czech Catholic Caritas. Its mission is to provide home to infirm people who devoted their lives to the service of the Church. ■ Regional Caritas Polička launched a new service for the public which is called "a bridge" and provides support after losing a loved one as well as crisis intervention. ■ There are new after-school clubs for children as well: the Igráček club and the integration club Dráčci for preschool children. These activities are possible thanks to our partnership with UNICEF. ■ The Volunteer Centre of the Diocesan Caritas Hradec Králové also works as the Regional Centre for the region of Hradec Králové. In addition to our activities, we try to support non-profit

organizations that work with volunteers in other regions as well. ■ The award „Osobnost v sociálních službách“ (Personality in Social Services) was granted to Petr Macl from the Regional Caritas Hradec Králové. Anna Brázdová, the head of the Volunteer Centre of the Diocesan Caritas Hradec Králové, received a special award from the committee. ■ The award of the Association of Social Service Providers and Diakonia of the Evangelical Church of Czech Brethren "The Caregiver of the Year" was given to Drahuše



Řezníčková from the Caritas Care Service Červený Kostelec. ■ The young volunteer from the Diocesan Caritas Hradec Králové Natalia Haddad from Syria received a diploma from the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Prague for her extraordinary contribution to the wider community.

DIOCESAN CARITAS LITOMĚŘICE

■ Diocesan Caritas Litoměřice opened the Integration and Community Centre Svít. ■ A project was launched to increase the professionalism of staff in the areas of strategy, fundraising, financing and training. ■ The transformation of care services towards the modernisation corresponding to the quality of the services in the 21st century has begun. ■ Caritas Litoměřice completed the electrification of its car fleet. ■ Diocesan Caritas Litoměřice became a recognized leader in setting the new trends in care services and the second largest care services provider in the region. ■ Caritas Most received a donation from the President of the Czech Republic Petr Pavel, which was used to provide for the needs of children in the Centre for Children in Need of an Immediate Assistance. ■ Mgr. Světlana Nikolova was appointed the director of Caritas Most. ■ Bc. Kamila Svobodová, Dis was appointed the director in Šluknov. ■ In Česká Kamenice, the staff joined Běh pro Žlutou stužku - a running event to support people with criminal records. ■ In Česká Lípa, a project of a comprehensive reconstruction of a building in which services for children and families are provided was supported. ■ In Ústí nad Labem, they moved the services offered in the Home of St. Maternus to Mojžíř. ■ The Honorary Badge from the Ukrainian people for humanitarian merit was awarded to two workers of Caritas Rumburk: Martina Škodová and Veronika Jungová.



ARCHDIOCESAN CARITAS OLOMOUC

■ Caritas Uherské Hradiště cooperated with ZUŠ Uherské Hradiště to organize an exhibition of photographs taken by talented Ukrainian children who had to flee from the war and continue to develop their art in the Czech Republic. The exhibition was presented throughout the Czech Republic during the year 2023. ■ Caritas Strážnice was the first Caritas in the Czech Republic to obtain the certification for the ethics education programme DEKACERT®. ■ The Caritas counselling centre NEDLUŽÍM ("I have no debt") celebrated its 10th anniversary. It is run by Caritas Šternberk and it works in Šternberk, Uničov, Litovel, Moravský Beroun and Skrbeň. ■ Archdiocesan Caritas Olomouc provided basic material aid and food to people affected by the floods in June in Haiti.

■ The 25th edition of the Romani Pilgrimage took place at Svatý Kopeček u Olomouce with the theme "Mary, Mother of Us All". ■ The first year of the charity event called "Moving for Home Hospice Antoníněk" took place in Nivnice. The run was attended by 323 participants and raised CZK 112,030. The Home Hospice Antoníněk is a joint project of Caritas Uherské Hradiště and Caritas Uherský Brod. ■ Archdiocesan Caritas Olomouc delivered 642 generators, 1,501 mobile gas stoves, including the same number of refillable PB cylinders, 12 large-capacity heated tents and other material aid to Ukraine with the one-year duration of the project Světlo a teplo pro Ukrajinu (Light and Warmth for Ukraine). Moreover, in cooperation with the Olomouc regional authority it helped to finance the construction of several boreholes for drinking water.

DIOCESAN CARITAS OSTRAVSKO-OPAVSKÁ

■ In August 2023, the two-year project Romští lídři – hybatelé změny (Romani Leaders - Agents of Change), which connected Romani leaders from Ostrava, Přerov and Třinec and provided them with education, was completed. During the course of the project the regional Romani platform Feder Drom was created. ■ The Caritas home of peaceful old age of St. Francis run by Caritas Bohumín marked its 25th anniversary. ■ Caritas Český Těšín celebrated its 30th anniversary and opened its second

low-threshold facility for children and youth called Maják. ■ Caritas Frýdek-Místek organized the second edition of the event Duše na dlani focused on mental health awareness. ■ Caritas Hlučín got a donation from the President of the Czech Republic Petr Pavel amounting to CZK 335,500 to purchase a car for providing home health care. ■ Caritas Jeseník opened a new building of the Day Care Centre Šimon in Jeseník for people with mental and combined disabilities and a new service of the Assistance Centre of St. Martin. ■ Caritas Opava organized a professional conference called „Závislost je také nemoc“ (Addiction is a disease too). ■ Caritas Ostrava expanded its counselling services to include a specialised counselling service for victims of sexual violence not only in the church environment.

DIOCESAN CARITAS PLZEŇ

■ Diocesan Caritas Plzeň celebrated 30 years since its foundation at the mass in the Cathedral of St. Bartholomew. The celebrations also included the traditional benefit ball organised by the Centre for Development Cooperation, which commemorated 20 years of aid in South America. ■ A multi-purpose facility for people in need was built at the



Diocesan Caritas Centre in Cukrovarská Street in Plzeň with funding from the City of Plzeň and the European Union. Food aid is distributed here, and the facility is also equipped with

a shower, toilet and basic clothing. The facility is open to other helping organisations as well. ■ Three exhibitions of paintings made by seniors from the Home of St. Elizabeth were on display in Pilsen exhibition facilities during 2023. The artworks were created during the occupational therapy workshops led by Eva Vyškovská. ■ The Municipal Cartias Plzeň opened a new building of the St. Francis for people without shelter in Wenzigova Street in Pilsen, which resulted in a significant increase of the capacity of the shelter, hostel and low-threshold day centre. ■ The Home for the elderly of St. George, run by the Municipal Caritas Plzeň, celebrated 20 years since its foundation. The Home of St. Aloysius of the Municipal Caritas Plzeň was once again awarded the quality certificate Vážka with an excellent rating based on an audit conducted by the Czech Alzheimer's Society after two years and focused on assessing the quality of care for seniors with dementia.

ARCHDIOCESAN CARITAS PRAGUE

■ The Caritas of the Archdiocese of Prague celebrated two important anniversaries in 2023: 30 years of its renewed activities after the fall of communist regime and the 1050th anniversary of the foundation of the Prague bishopric. ■ The comprehensive reconstruction of its headquarters in the Vinohrady





district of Prague was completed. The headquarters provides for many social services, and it also includes the newly established Community Centre of St. Agnes. ■ In 2023, preparations were made for the opening of a new day care centre for the elderly in Vlašim. Preparations are also underway for a new day care centre for people with Alzheimer's disease in Kralupy nad Vltavou. ■ The plan for the renovation of the Home of St. Wenceslaus in Stará Boleslav entered its next phase. A full reconstruction of its extensive historic building will be the largest investment in the modern history of the Caritas of the Archdiocese of Prague. ■ In



the field of foreign development and cooperation, Caritas Prague run programmes mainly in India, Uganda and Belarus. The programme Adopce na dálku®, which is the longest running Czech development project abroad, marked its 30th anniversary. Since 1993, Czech donors have supported the education of more than 36,000 of the poorest children. ■ In February 2023, Army General Emil Boček gave the Caritas of the Archdiocese of Prague the “Moral Authority” award for its perseverance, bravery and courage.

GREEK CATHOLIC CARITAS

■ We provided assistance (spiritual help and support, counselling, organizing leisure activities for children, etc.) both to newly arrived Ukrainians with temporary protection and directly to people in Ukraine in 2023 too. It mainly consisted in coordinating assistance provided to combat units at the front (raising funds for purchasing cars, ambulances, drones, night vision devices, clothing, hygiene supplies, medicines and food supplements, etc.). ■ We spent time with Ukrainian children, we tried to provide a space for families to meet regularly and to enable children to communicate with their peers in their native language. ■ We co-organized a summer camp for children and their parents, which was attended by dozens of people, once again in the summer. ■ We cooperate with other organizations, such as “Dětem Ukrajiny” - we provided them with funds to provide schooling for children who had not been admitted into Czech schools. ■ Financially, we help people who have found themselves in a difficult life situation.

VOLUNTEERS



A tremendous form of support for what we do comprises tens of thousands of volunteers who are willing to selflessly provide assistance and donate some of their time, energy and abilities for the benefit of others. They play an indispensable role in common everyday situations as well as in unexpected, challenging situations and crises. Without them, it would be nearly impossible for Caritas Czech Republic to carry out its activities and provide its services.



In 2023, **83,795 volunteers** supported the activities of the nationwide Caritas network. They selflessly **worked for 292,779 hours**, i.e. 12,199 days or 33 years.

In 2023, **62,102 small and large collectors and organizers** volunteered during the **Three Kings Collection**, thus donating **257,627 hours** of their time, i.e. 10,734 days or 29 years.

Volunteer activities include:

- Visiting clients in their homes
- Accompanying clients (e.g. to meetings at government offices, visits, excursions)
- Activities with mentally disabled clients (painting, musical activities, handicrafts, etc.)
- Canine therapy and hippotherapy with clients
- Tutoring children and spending time with children
- Providing assistance to children in after-school clubs

- Assistance with organising and managing children's camps
- Administration of Caritas' facilities
- Administration of Caritas' professional agenda (legal, editorial, IT)
- Maintenance and gardening work
- Assistance with food distribution
- Assistance with organising cultural and sporting events
- Organisation of food and clothing drives
- Help with transporting clients to Sunday religious services
- Tutoring foreigners and assistance with translating and interpreting
- Correspondence with prisoners
- Production of gifts for lonely seniors
- Assistance in home hospice care



On average, one arch/diocesan Caritas provides 10 of these volunteer activities. The most frequently performed activities include tutoring children and spending time with them, helping to organize cultural and sporting events, accompanying clients (to meetings at offices, visits, trips, etc.), helping to prepare and run camps for children, and organizing food and clothing collections.

A total of **2,187 volunteers** took part in these and other activities **on a long-term basis** and **7,229 volunteers on a short-term or one-off basis**. They dedicated a total of **146,954 hours of their time** to people who needed their help.

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THREE KINGS COLLECTION

The traditional Three Kings Collection, in which carollers dressed as the Three Kings go to the streets of towns and villages to spread the message of peace, love and hope, is inherently one of the most important charity events of the beginning of a new year. In 2023, the Three Kings Collection reached a record proceeds of CZK 165,686,000 – this is a result of selfless enthusiasm of more than 75,000 volunteers and the unceasing generosity of our donors.

Over 155 million CZK (i.e. 25 million more than in the previous year) were collected on the streets. Online collection contributed with more than 3 million CZK to the collection and cashless donations reached 5 million CZK. The annual Three Kings Concert, which is broadcast on the Czech Television every year, and which hosted artists such as Kateřina Marie Tichá, Adam Mišík or the band Like-it, contributed CZK 1,526,790 to the account of the collection.

The proceeds are used in the entire network to fund a rich variety of Caritas' services and activities that have a direct influence on lives of people in need. For example, Caritas Kyjov and Caritas Přerov



invested the collected funds in supporting socially vulnerable groups and health care. In Blovice in the Pilsen region, they plan to help people in need, especially numerous families with several children and seniors. In Česká Kamenice, they will support home hospice health care and assist in purchasing school supplies and paying for multi-day school trips for children from socially disadvantaged backgrounds. Caritas Semily is preparing a food donation for families and seniors, and they also want to pay for school lunches for children from socially disadvantaged families. Caritas Jeseník will support the Daily Short-Stay Service Centre Šimon for people with reduced self-sufficiency. Caritas Odry will use the proceeds to

work with homeless people, to expand the offer of its rental of compensatory aids and to renew its car fleet.

This diversity proves that money from the Three Kings Collection is crucial for many projects helping people throughout the Czech Republic.

For more information visit:

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from non-cash donations

1,526,790 CZK

from the Tree Kings
Concert

Arch/diocesan Caritas	Money boxes donations	Online carolling	Non-cash donations
Olomouc Archdiocese	CZK 38,464,572	CZK 511,876	CZK 210,077
Prague Archdiocese	CZK 9,307,321	CZK 344,392	CZK 198,371
Brno Diocese	CZK 37,008,513	CZK 617,694	CZK 465,662
České Budějovice Diocese	CZK 11,089,980	CZK 147,965	CZK 158,740
Hradec Králové Diocesesan Catholic C.	CZK 25,398,837	CZK 302,714	CZK 167,483
Litoměřice Diocese	CZK 4,077,154	CZK 110,920	CZK 15,245
Ostrava-Opava Diocese	CZK 23,470,280	CZK 334,324	CZK 426,577
Plzeň Diocese	CZK 6,773,874	CZK 136,414	CZK 52,063
Money boxes total	CZK 155,590,531		
Online carolling total*		CZK 3,061,920	
Non-cash donations total**			CZK 5,506,759
Three Kings Concert			CZK 1,526,790
TOTAL			CZK 165,686,000

* Online donations for Caritas organisations in connection with the collection and online donations to the collection without selection of a specific Caritas organisation.

** Non-cash donations for Caritas organisations in connection with the collection, direct donations to the collection's account, donor SMS, donations.

SOCIAL AND HEALTHCARE SERVICES



We focus on helping people who have found themselves in a difficult life situation. Our main activity is providing social and healthcare services, including specialized counselling. We help poor families with children, single parents, seniors, homeless people, victims of domestic violence, and sick and dying people. We also help people who are mired in debt and show them the way out of the debt trap and the grey economy. Finally, we also focus on providing assistance to everyone who has been affected by an extraordinary event, whether that involves an energy crisis, natural disasters or war in their homeland. We help without making any distinctions. No one is indifferent to us, and we are not indifferent to what is happening in the Czech Republic and in the European Union.



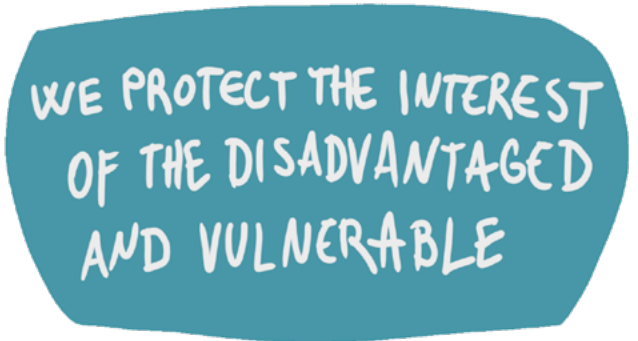
We help people directly by finding appropriate ways to resolve their specific difficult life situations. At the same time, we focus on advocacy activities to achieve long-term improvement for the broadest spectrum of disadvantaged groups of people living in the Czech Republic. Our main tool for making the necessary changes is pressing for changes in social legislation as well as participating in drafting social and healthcare policies. The representatives of Caritas Czech Republic serve in many working groups and committees (at ministries as well as in the government). We collaborate with a number of other institutions both in the Czech Republic and throughout Europe on defending legitimate interests of people and achieving better living conditions. We have long been

cooperating with the European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN Czech Republic and EAPN EU), Platforma 10, the initiative Za bydlení, the platforms Platforma pro sociální bydlení, Oddlužme Česko, and the Union of Employers' Associations.

We systematically fight against poverty and inequality in society to benefit disadvantaged groups of people, including women, Roma and people who are vulnerable to poverty. Women in Czech society are four times more vulnerable to poverty than men. Better financing of social services and fair remuneration for social workers and home-care nurses, financing for foster care, recognition of informal caregivers and support for single parents – all these are areas in which

women predominate, where their work is underpaid and where Caritas Czech Republic is striving to implement necessary changes with the aim of helping to ensure equal conditions and decent income for women.

We have started to address the growing poverty in cooperation with E.ON as a part of the programme called Energie pomáhají. In 2023, our assistance services focused mainly on seniors, people with health disabilities, poor families, single parents and poor individuals. It became clear that due to increased energy, food and housing costs, the social benefit system was failing, and without compensation from our project, poverty of many people would be exacerbated. The project is still ongoing.



In cooperation with our umbrella organisation, Caritas Europa, we also address Romani issues during our advocacy work. We share our experience on how we support Roma communities in our respective countries within the working group. Through our advocacy work

1,231 services we provided in 2023

CARITAS' SERVICES

In 2023, we provided 1,231 services within the nationwide Caritas network. Social services are registered pursuant to the Act No. 108/2006 Coll., on Social Services, which classifies them into three groups:

- specialized social counselling
- social care services
- social prevention services

In the overall list, we also include:

- healthcare services
- other services (i.e. supplementary and supporting services that cannot be included in the above-mentioned categories)

and mutual sharing, we work to strengthen human dignity of Roma population in Europe despite persistent structural inequalities and generational poverty. In 2023, we went on a study visit to Slovakia, hosted by Caritas Slovakia in Bratislava and its dioceses in Poprad and Košice.

For Caritas' work, it is necessary to share good practices and experience. For this purpose, we use meetings of the committees at the diocesan levels and at the national level. These committees provide an expert platform for our workers from the same fields to consult and propose new actions.

In the social and healthcare area, nine specialised committees work at the national level:

- Committee on shelters for mothers with children in need
- Migration committee
- Committee on counselling centres
- Committee on social activation services for families with children
- Committee on social workers – methodologists
- Committee on social projects
- Committee on social services for homeless people
- Committee on social services for seniors
- Healthcare committee



SOCIAL AND HEALTHCARE SERVICES IN 2023

SPECIALIZED SOCIAL COUNSELLING CENTRES

Counselling-centre employees assist clients in dealing with government offices, mediate necessary assistance for them, and focus on labour-law relations, housing, family, interpersonal and property-rights relations. They provide assistance for all people in need and strive to help them find a way out of their difficult life situations.

Caritas has **72 specialised counselling centres**, which carried out a total of **205,621 contacts and interventions** in 2023 helping **50,738 individuals**.

Out of the total of 72 counselling centres, 61 provide basic civic counselling. Out of this number of counselling centres, 53 provide debt counselling and 41 are accredited to write and file insolvency petitions. In 2023, debt counselling centres provided help to eight thousand clients. The total number of **debt counselling contacts and interventions was 54,155**.

Type of counselling centre	Num. of services
Civil counselling centres	61
– of which counselling centres that focus on debt counselling	(53)
– of which counselling centres that have accreditation for drafting and filing insolvency motions	(41)
–of which counselling centres for foreign nationals	(7)
Counselling centres for persons with health problems	3
Marriage and family counselling centres	1
Counselling centres for victims of crime and domestic violence	1
Counselling centres in hospice-type facilities	6
Total number of counselling centres	72
Number of counselling-centre clients	50,738
Number of contacts and interventions at counselling centres	205,621



Type	Num. of services	Num. of users
Counselling centres	72	50,738
Social care services	362	28,366
Social prevention services	355	57,568
Healthcare services	179	70,195

Debt counselling	
Number of debt-counselling clients	8,002
Number of debt-counselling contacts and interventions	54,155

SOCIAL CARE SERVICES

Caritas’ services provide support and assistance to people who have diminished self-sufficiency due to health limitations or other disabilities and whose current situation requires an assistance of another individual, when family members and loved ones are unable to fully provide such assistance. In 2023, **social care services**, of which Caritas operated **362**, were provided to **28,366 clients**.

This primarily involved field care services and personal assistance, as well as emergency care and support for independent living. Relief services help people who have decided to take care of their loved ones themselves. Daily and weekly short-stay and day-care service centres are also available. If circumstances do

not allow users to remain in their home environment, a number of residential services is offered: homes for seniors, homes with a special regimen and sheltered housing services.

In terms of scope, the most significant are **field care services**, of which Caritas has **114**. These field services helped **18,160 clients**; a total of **4,071,070 interventions** were carried out by caregivers.

Service	Num. of services	Num. of users	Additional information
Personal assistance	43	2,060	
Field care service	114	18,160	Number of interventions: 4,071,070
Outpatient care service	19	180	
Emergency care	2	192	
Support for independent living	2	51	
Relief services	37	2,788	
– of which palliative/hospice care relief services	(6)	(741)	
Day-care service centres	14	381	
Daily short-stay service centres	41	1,025	
Weekly short-stay service centres	4	35	
Homes for people with health problems	1	39	capacity: 29
Homes for seniors	46	1,902	capacity: 1,545
Homes with a special regimen	16	491	capacity: 412
Sheltered housing	17	321	capacity: 291
Total	362	28,366	



SOCIAL PREVENTION SERVICES

These include **355 registered services** with a total of **57,568 users**. Social prevention services help to **prevent the social exclusion** of people who are at risk due to a crisis or socially disadvantageous environment, or because of their addictions, lifestyle, or many other factors. The aim of preventive social services is to help such people to overcome their unfavourable social situation and, at the same time, to prevent the occurrence and spread of undesirable social phenomena.

One such group comprises homeless people, who find immediate assistance, such as the possibility to bathe, eat and rest, at **low-threshold day-care centres**. In 2023, Caritas registered **193,218 visits** and conducted **346,401 interventions**. One-off assistance and places to sleep are provided by hostels, which strive to motivate clients to use related social and public services. At **20 shelters for men and women**, Caritas offers assistance to clients so that they can cope with their generally difficult social situation and provides accommodation for the absolutely necessary period of time. A total of **1,255 persons** requested this assistance in 2023.

Shelters for mothers and, as the case may be, fathers in need provide refuge for parents with children who are in distress. In 2023, a total of **13,089 parents and children** comprising **1,013 families** were afforded housing in these shelters. Field programmes are also important for the long-term fight against poverty and



social exclusion, with more than **88,000 contacts and interventions**.

Social activation services for families with children, seniors and persons with disabilities are offered in field. **Low-threshold clubs for children and young people** from disadvantaged background offer their space to children and youth: **8,670 children and adolescents** attended them in 2023. Families with children whose development is at risk are supported by early care services.

The individual services and numbers are summarised in the table below.

Service	Num. of services	Num. of users	Additional information
Early care	4	400	
Telephone crisis assistance	1	7,529	
Committee on shelters for parents with children in need	34	13,089	Num. of families: 1,013 capacity: 1,349
Shelters: for men and women	20	1,255	capacity: 514
Halfway houses	1	2	capacity: 17
Contact centres	7	1,856	
Crisis assistance	6	1,116	
Intervention centres	2	674	Num. of contacts and interventions: 7,629
Low-threshold day-care centres	31	7,819	Num. of visits: 193,218, Num. of interventions: 346,401
Low-threshold facilities for children and youth	61	8,670	
Hostels	21	3,070	capacity: 364
Follow-up care services	5	181	
Social activation services for families with children	58	4,170	Num. of contacts and interventions: 186,184
Social activation services for seniors and persons with disabilities	12	923	
Social therapeutic workshops	23	714	
Field programmes	27	4,642	Num. of contacts and interventions: 88,683
Social rehabilitation	42	1,458	
Total	355	57,568	

— HEALTHCARE SERVICES

Caritas Czech Republic is the **biggest provider of healthcare services in the country**, with a total of **179 registered healthcare facilities** employing **1,664 nurses** throughout the Czech Republic in 2023. Care was provided to a total of **70,195 patients** in 2023.

Type of registered healthcare facility	Num.	Num. of nurses	Num. of doctors	Num. of patients
Home healthcare including hospice care	78	972		60,559 (home healthcare) 1,614 (home hospice healthcare)
Mobile specialised palliative care	19	184	112	2,348
Inpatient hospice	4	75	12	1,030
Outpatient and other healthcare services	20	58	5	2,487
Residential facilities	58	375		2,213
Total	179	1,664	129	70,195

HOME HEALTH CARE

Home health care is provided by **78 centres**, at which **972 nurses** worked in 2023, treating **60,559 patients**.

Home hospice care is provided as an integral part of home healthcare, which includes accompanying dying patients. **Forty-eight home healthcare centres** have a dedicated team of nurses specialising in caring for such patients. In 2023, these nurses took care of **1,614** of those patients. **The average treatment time of these patients was 16 days**. Only 2% of the patients eventually had to be hospitalised due to serious complications.

MOBILE SPECIALISED PALLIATIVE CARE

There are **184 nurses** working in **19 mobile specialised palliative care teams**. Over the course of the year, they cared for **2,348 patients**. The mobile specialised palliative care team includes **112 specialist physicians** (working mostly part-time) and makes it possible even for patients in an unstable condition and with serious complications to reach the end of their lives at home. The teams carried out **49,787 visits** to their patients.

As a result of a series of negotiations at the Ministry of Healthcare and with health insurance providers, funding for mobile specialised palliative care has been improved. In the previous year, health insurance

companies had covered less than half of this much-needed care. In 2023, more than three-quarters of this cost was covered, mainly because the new procedures of introductory and final palliative care, which are valued higher than other visiting days, were included in the List of Healthcare Procedures. Each patient received treatment for **36,1 days** on average in 2023. Yet, the treatment time paid by health insurance providers is only 30 days. The extra treatment time (6 days on average) is not paid. This occurred in **522 cases**. Caritas had to pay these costs from other resources. We will focus on this when negotiating with health insurance companies on treatment in 2025.



INPATIENT HOSPICE



Caritas Czech Republic operates **four inpatient hospices** with total capacity of **140 beds**. Last year, **75 nurses** took care of **1,030 dying people** in these hospices. The inpatient hospices are closely connected with both outpatient care and mobile specialised palliative care. It is thus possible to find the optimum care for every patient based on their specific illness and social conditions.

OUTPATIENT AND OTHER HEALTHCARE SERVICES

Caritas Czech Republic also operates outpatient services and provides healthcare at a follow-up care facility and a weekly short-stay care centre, which are connected with the provision of palliative and hospice care. These facilities include **11 outpatient pain-treatment and outpatient palliative medicine clinics** and **3 outpatient physiotherapy clinics**. In Olomouc, there are **2 general practitioner's offices for people in need** and an **outpatient psychiatric clinic for people in need**. A new **addictology outpatient clinic** was opened in Jihlava. Caritas also operates **1 follow-up care facility** and **1 weekly short-stay care centre** registered as a healthcare facility. The scope of activity of the **Mental Health Centres** (in Uherské Hradiště and Svitavy) was expanded. The outpatient healthcare services treated **2,487 patients** and employed **58 nurses and physical therapists** in 2023.

HEALTHCARE IN RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES

Through its nurses, Caritas provides healthcare at all **45 seniors' homes** and **13 homes with a special regimen**. These homes have total **capacity of 1,970 beds** and employ **375 nurses**.

A total of **2,213 clients** received care in these facilities in 2023. A total of **513 clients** died in these facilities last year. Out of these, 206 clients of the residential facilities were hospitalized before their death. This is an ongoing challenge to improve care for the dying so that clients can die at home - especially collaboration with mobile specialist palliative care would help.

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QUALITAS OPTIMA

The professional association of non-medical health professionals of Caritas Czech Republic - Qualitas Optima 2020 - continues

to develop its activities towards provision of high-quality healthcare. In 2023, it organized **12 professional webinars**, which were open not only to its own members, but also to members of collaborating organizations, especially medical staff from Diakonie. In January 2023, Caritas Czech Republic with other professional associations of nurses organized a **home health care conference** at the regional office of the Central Bohemian Region under the auspices of the Deputy Governor for Health, Ing. Pavel Pavlík. Caritas co-organized with

the Centre for Social and Health Services Poděbrady o. p. s. a **conference on palliative care** in Poděbrady in May.

The professional association has also developed its **mobile app for standard nursing procedures**. This year, it has upgraded it to include a management application as well as procedure audit questions – these must be taken with no errors not only by entry-level healthcare professionals, but also all healthcare workers. For the first time, the mobile app also collects statistical data. The form of statistical collection through the mobile app makes the collection easier and more accurate compared to the previous years when the data were filled in Excel spreadsheets. All this enables Caritas Czech Republic to guarantee **the highest quality of health care** and reduces the time spent on administration, which can then be devoted to patients.

We are very grateful to our nurses, physiotherapists and doctors for their excellent professional work and empathetic and kind approach. Thanks to them, our motto was still valid in 2023: CARITAS – THE BRAND OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY.

— OTHER SERVICES

Caritas provides other services that are not embedded in the Social Services Act and are not included in healthcare. This refers to the following types of services:

Type of service	Num. of sevices	Num. of clients
Caritas clothing banks	91	64,968
Maternity/family centres and clubs: assistance for families with children	27	5,680
Volunteer centres	46	9,274
Used-furniture warehouses	11	728
Services for foster parents	11	424
Education centres	7	2,948
Seniors' clubs and leisure activities for seniors	13	688
Assistance for prisoners	7	157
Mobile showers	1	15
Rental of compensatory aids	94	17,733
Food and material assistance	132	82,253
Employment support services	2	67
Total	442	184,935

SOCIAL ENTERPRISES

Caritas also operates **20 social enterprises**. The social enterprises in the Caritas' network operate in, for example, the following fields of business: sewing workshops and laundries, bakeries and pastry shops, production of spa waffles, cafés, furniture renovation and manufacturing, food preparation and delivery, production and sales (e.g. medical aids, syrups, textile products), second-hand shops, graphics work, cleaning and waste disposal, among other fields.

HOUSING



We are striving to address the issue of unaffordable housing by running social apartments, which we provide for affordable rental rates to poor people who do not have a possibility to obtain housing under the current conditions. In 2023, a total of **458 people, including 244 children**, lived in **141 social apartments**, 83 of which are part of Caritas' property and 58 of which are leased from other entities. A total of **444 clients**, including **112 children**, found shelter in **15 lodging houses**.

Housing	
Number of social-housing apartments	83 owned by Caritas + 58 leased
number of persons who used these apartments	458
- of which children	(244)
Number of lodging houses	4 owned by Caritas + 11 leased
number of persons who used these lodging houses	444
- of which children	(112)

The social economy and social enterprises are areas on which Caritas focuses also in the realm of advocacy. We consider social entrepreneurship to be a form of business with high value added for society. Social enterprises often employ people who would not otherwise find work due to their disabilities.

HOTEL AND TRAINING CENTRE MARIANEUM

In 2023, the Marianeum Hotel and Training Centre continued with its mission to provide a high-quality accommodation and training centre in the centre of Prague. The hotel is owned by Caritas Czech Republic and its operation raises funds to support a variety of social, health and humanitarian projects home and abroad.

The hotel's services include pleasant and modern accommodation in **single- to four-bed rooms** and one **wheelchair-accessible apartment** (total accommodation capacity is 46 persons in 28 rooms) near the historic city centre, a top-rate concierge service, delicious buffet breakfast and, when the weather is nice, garden seating in the courtyard.

For business meetings, trainings, workshops, seminars, conferences, lectures, round tables, and other events, it is possible to rent **two meeting rooms (auditoriums)** and **three classrooms** with the option of renting audio and video equipment and ordering catering. The **capacity** of the meeting rooms ranges **from 10 to 70 persons** and a **high-speed internet connection is available via Wi-Fi** and there is also a **fixed-line connection**, which works flawlessly throughout the building.

2023 was a year of development and innovations. As for technical improvements, we started the process of replacing the windows and preparing for the installation of modern kitchen equipment (we continued with our previous collaboration with Biofood and Dr. Oetker and we were given a pastry oven and a pizza oven for free).

In addition to technical improvements, we also focused on service and customer relations. We launched a new **online booking system** which enables our guests to comfortably book a room directly on our website. This makes us less dependent on third-party selling platforms and decreases the

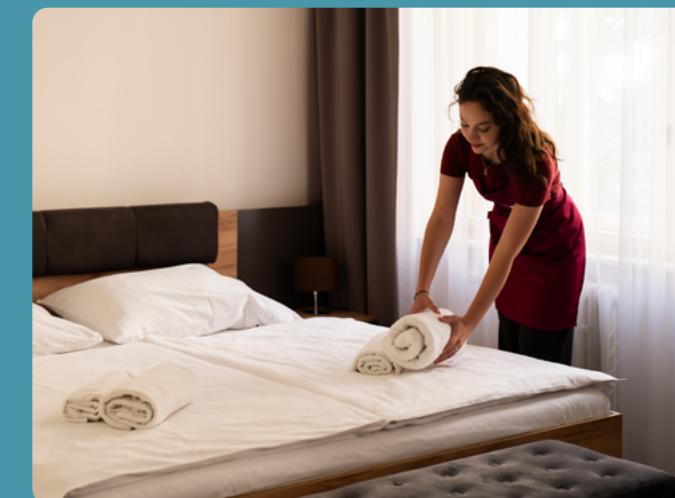
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associated costs. As a result, the number of clients purchasing our services in the ALL IN ONE package (training, meals, and accommodation) has increased.

We are particularly proud of our **cooperation with the project “Spolu dětem” (Together for Children)**, which focuses on helping young people from children's homes. We participate in the project by providing young people with learning opportunities and we help them to prepare for an independent life.

Staff changes in our team have brought a new energy and expertise which is evident in all aspects of our business. Our new Catering Assistant and Food Service Assistant have contributed to improving the quality of our services and customer satisfaction.

These improvements and innovations have enabled us to raise the standards of our accommodation and services, and they also strengthened our relationship with the community and supported sustainable growth compliant to the mindset of Caritas Czech Republic.





Statistics on integration of foreign nationals

25,449

number of professional social counselling clients

71

number of clients/applicants for asylum and persons granted international protection

4,782

number of clients in Czech language courses

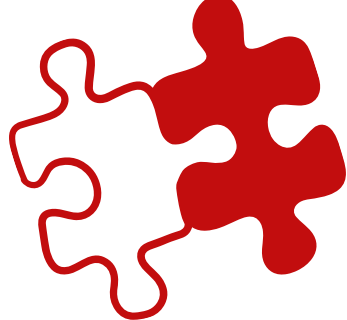
1,726

number of clients in sociocultural orientation courses

379

number of employees

INTEGRATION OF FOREIGN NATIONALS



We help migrants and refugees living in the Czech Republic to become full members of our society with all the rights and responsibilities associated with that. The basis of our services consists in provision of free professional social and legal counselling, and other activities supporting integration. We collaborate with state institutions and contribute to the smooth coexistence of the majority society and newcomers. We strive to mitigate discrimination and xenophobic attitudes among the public.

In many respects, **2023** was impacted by the **continuing war in Ukraine and the residence of a large number of refugees**. Most of the local Caritas organisations that had provided spontaneous assistance to people who had left their homes because of the war since last year switched to **systematic assistance** aimed at good integration of refugees who have been granted temporary protection into Czech society. They helped the refugees with finding housing, employment, and schools for their children, and provided counselling, interpreting and accompaniment to meetings at government offices and, for example, medical appointments.



They offered psychological and spiritual support, assistance with learning the Czech language and adaptation and integration activities as well as material aid. We were also supported in this by the **nationwide Emergency Appeal project** (see page 32) and other extraordinary projects, donations, and collections. There was a wide range of services available in newly opened community centres in Litoměřice, Plzeň and Prague. In Olomouc, refugees used the services of local counselling centre, and they participated in integration activities.

The counselling centres for foreign nationals and refugees (in Brno, České Budějovice, Hradec Králové, Plzeň and Prague) focus primarily on providing professional social and legal counselling. They provide clients with information, assistance with administrative matters and accompaniment to state and other institutions. The centres also provide interpreting for them when dealing with matters involving residence permits, employment, housing, and healthcare services. Within their projects, the

centres organise low-threshold Czech language courses, sociocultural orientation courses, integration Czech-language course and multicultural events, support the integration of resettled compatriots, and provide assistance to foreigners directly at certain facilities of the Department of Asylum and Migration Policy (OAMP) of the Ministry of the Interior. Caritas organisations also provide food and material aid to foreigners in need.

ADVOCACY ACTIVITIES

Representatives of Caritas are active in several working groups focused on migration, adaptation and integration, as well as in consulting on amendments to acts concerning foreign nationals and refugees. They collaborate with local authorities, the state administration, non-profit organisations, and other entities in the field of migration and strive to ensure peaceful coexistence and fair conditions for all.

HELPLINE IN THE MONGOLIAN, VIETNAMESE, AND UKRAINIAN LANGUAGES

For several years, the helpline has been helping Mongolians, Vietnamese and Ukrainians throughout the Czech Republic who find themselves in a difficult life situation. The helpline helps its clients to understand their rights and obligations, with understanding at healthcare facilities, at school and at state institutions, as well as with filling out forms

and translating official documents, while also offering contacts to other support services. It provides interpreting, information and psychosocial support via telephone and the internet and facilitates communication with foreigners for state offices and institutions.

In **2023**, the intercultural operators of the helpline assisted a total of **5,023 clients** with integration into society.

The operation of the service in 2023 was supported by the **integration programmes of the Ministry of the Interior with funding in the amount of CZK 2,506,255** and by the **City of Prague with CZK 140,000**. The expanded operation of the Ukrainian helpline was supported by the **Prague City Council and City of Prague, the Network of European Foundations** under the EPIM programme, the **Faurecia Corporate Foundation** and other sources.





CZK **173**
million

from public fund-raising campaign
for Ukraine from 2022 to 2023



AID PROVIDED BY CARITAS CZECH REPUBLIC TO UKRAINE



Caritas Czech Republic continued helping people affected by the war in Ukraine in 2023. Its activities ranged from direct support in Ukraine to helping refugees in the Czech Republic.

In response to the outbreak of war in 2022, Caritas Czech Republic announced a **public fund-raising campaign** to finance humanitarian aid for Ukraine, as well as to help manage the situation of Ukrainian refugees in the Czech Republic and Moldova.

Donors contributed CZK 10,536 million to the Caritas's collection account **Caritas for Ukraine** (account number 55660022/0800, VS 104) in 2023 (in 2022, it was CZK 163,151 million). **In total, the amount of CZK 173,687 million was collected in both years.**

HELPING DIRECTLY IN UKRAINE

The invasion of Russian troops forced millions of people to flee their homes. Almost 4 million people

remain displaced in their homeland. Our aims focus on providing **decent housing** to these people. In western Ukraine, we built modular houses and renovated housing areas, kitchens, bathrooms and laundry rooms of hostels. People who fled from the war to the west of Ukraine were directly involved in the renovation. This gave them a source of income in their new hometown.

Caritas Czech Republic helped people in the regions of Kherson and Mykolaiv to prepare for winter, mainly by insulating windows, providing fuel, winter clothes, shoes and warm bedding, in cooperation with our partner organization New Dawn.

We also distributed drinking water to people affected by flooding after the destruction of the Kakhovka dam and drilled 7 wells to provide **access to drinking water** for more than 10,000 people in southern Ukraine. In addition, we provided affected communities with water tanks, kits for repairing water systems and hygiene kits.

HELPING REFUGEES IN MOLDOVA

Since the beginning of Russian invasion of Ukraine, more than 800,000 people have fled to Moldova. For most, it was a transit country, but more than 100,000 refugees from Ukraine remain in Moldova.

For the poor country, the influx of refugees was a huge challenge. Caritas Czech Republic supported Moldova by supplying equipment for 12 refugee centres to help provide decent housing for refugees (supplying necessities such as beds, blankets, washing machines and fridges).

HELPING REFUGEES IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Extensive assistance was provided by individual local Caritas' in Brno, České Budějovice, Hradec Králové, Litoměřice, Olomouc, Pilsen, Prague and other places connected to the national Caritas network. It mainly includes counselling and assistance, i.e. the provision of information, introduction to rights and obligations (socio-cultural orientation), support in dealing with authorities and institutions (e.g. interpreting). We also provided material assistance, Czech language courses and psychological support to refugees in need.

We organized children's groups, summer camps and tutoring for children, which involved, among others,

employees and volunteers of the Global Education Department (GVO) of Caritas Czech Republic, which ran a leisure club for Ukrainian children in cooperation with the Municipality of Prague 1. These projects were also supported from the joint collection account, and the Emergency Appeal project also played a significant role in the funding.



Type of service	Counselling	Assistance	Food and material aid	Housing and its mediation	Help with job search, including people employed in Caritas	Czech language courses
Diocese						
Brno	2,148	180	2,005	102		
České Budějovice	2,400	191	11,057	169	86	153
Hradec Králové	2,262	8,669	721	313	495	1,589
Litoměřice	265	373	1,056	59	35	34
Olomouc	1,351	10,110	2,512	154	81	173
Ostrava-Opava	278	24	1,524	40	32	55
Plzeň	1,497	10,540	2,391	126	170	583
Prague	4,250	44,650	4,850	860	980	880
Greek Catholic C.	500	250	485	150	30	3
Total	14,951	74,987	26,601	1,973	1,909	3,470

In 2023, the Caritas network provided the following services to refugees from Ukraine in the Czech Republic:

Counselling: 14,951 people

Assistance: 74,987 people

Food and material aid: 26,601 people

Housing and its mediation: 1,973 people

Help with job search, including people employed in Caritas: 1,909 people

Czech language courses: 3,470 people

More information on activities and projects can be found on the dedicated website: proukrajinu.charita.cz.



EMERGENCY APPEAL 12/2022

Humanitarian aid and integration support provided to Ukrainian refugees in the Czech Republic

May 2022 - April 2023

The aim of the project was to provide material and integration assistance to war refugees from Ukraine in the Czech Republic. The assistance was aimed primarily at vulnerable people, such as children, parents with young and several children, single women, the elderly and people with health problems.

The project was financially supported by **donors from the network of Caritas Internationalis** (Catholic Bishops' Conference of Japan EUR 140,000, Caritas Spain EUR 150,000, Caritas Portugal EUR 5,000, Caritas Germany EUR 470,251, OBOS_Caritas Seoul EUR 93,500, Trócaire EUR 500,000, Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace EUR 151,743) and **Caritas Czech Republic co-financed it with EUR 102,765**.

The total amount provided for the project was **CZK 39,246,392 (EUR 1,613,259), supporting 40,309 people**, more than half of whom were supported more than once. The entire network of Caritas Czech Republic participated in the aid.



EMERGENCY APPEAL 11/2023

Emergency response for people from Ukraine affected by the conflict

May 2023 - April 2024

The aim of the project was to provide material and integration assistance to war refugees from Ukraine in the Czech Republic. The assistance was aimed primarily at vulnerable people, such as children, parents with young and several children, single women, the elderly and people with health problems. In this follow-up project, our activities focused on mitigating the impact of reduced financial support from the state for the most vulnerable groups of refugees. We mainly focused on helping with integration into society, childcare, language learning and psychosocial support.

The project was financially supported by **donors from the network of Caritas Internationalis** (Catholic Bishops' Conference of Japan EUR 50,000, Caritas Portugal EUR 5,000, Caritas Germany EUR 200,000, Caritas Int. EUR 272,521, balance from EA12/2022 EUR 67,632).

The total amount provided to the project was **CZK 14,116,732 (EUR 595,153)** and 9,000 people were supported, with more than half of them supported more than once, by 31 January 2024. The aid was distributed throughout the Czech Republic thanks to the involvement of the network of Caritas Czech Republic.

AID PROVIDED BY CARITAS CZECH REPUBLIC TO TURKEY AND SYRIA AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE

The devastating earthquake that struck Turkey and Syria at the beginning of February 2023 killed nearly 60,000 people and left millions of people homeless. Caritas Czech Republic started to provide humanitarian aid to the affected people in Turkey and Syria immediately after the earthquake.

Together with our partner organisations, we distributed drinking water, warm meals, **food parcels** and basic kitchen utensils. We also provided **hygiene supplies** and **psychological assistance** to the local inhabitants. The catastrophic earthquake hit both states in winter, when the temperatures were low in the region. We have provided **safe shelter**, warm clothing, thermal blankets and fuel for the affected people to safely survive the winter.

In the Turkish province of Hatay, which was severely affected by the earthquake, we built **housing containers** with portable toilets and showers in cooperation with our partners. The housing containers provided affected people with a more



We were able to help the people affected by the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria thanks to our donors who contributed to Caritas' collection for Turkey and Syria. We also help thanks to the funding provided by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic and the European Union and in cooperation with our partner organisations Violet, SARD, and IBC.

dignified shelter and hygiene facilities needed. We distributed hygiene kits, including feminine hygiene products, which are essential to ensure decent hygiene, in the provisional container town in Malatya. We also built a playground in the area for local children to have a place to spend their free time.

We helped people who lost their ID documents in the earthquake to access legal services so that they could apply to have the documents re-issued.

In Syria, the tremors hit areas in the Northwest of the country, which had already faced a major humanitarian crisis. Internally displaced people who have fled from other parts of the country to escape the war live here. The earthquake worsened their desperate situation. In addition to our immediate food and hygiene aid, we have distributed kitchen utensils kits to people in Syria so they can cook for themselves even if they live in makeshift conditions.



Long after the earthquake, local people are still coping with the trauma caused by the devastating earthquake. For this reason, we provided much needed psychological help and psychosocial support to help them cope with the trauma. In Syria, we have also organized **group therapy sessions** for children and youth and several **awareness-raising trainings** focused on earthquake preparedness and on tips for parents to help their children overcome the trauma caused by the earthquake.



HUMANITARIAN AID AND DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION



MIDDLE EAST

The Middle East region has been struggling with the consequences of ongoing or recently terminated armed conflicts. The consequences for locals have been dramatic - many have lost their homes, businesses or farms. At the same time, climate change has a significant impact on the region, particularly the severe drought, which has an impact on local farmers and their ability to earn a living. In addition, the region of Syria and Turkey was hit by a tragic earthquake last year, which worsened the already difficult situation of displaced Syrians. That is why Caritas Czech Republic focuses primarily on **supporting livelihood** through **vocational courses and business skills trainings** so that local people can set up their own businesses in the Middle East. Caritas Czech Republic has also helped farmers rebuild their farms destroyed by the self-proclaimed Islamic State. It also introduces modern farming methods to help farmers react to climate change. In Syria and Turkey, we were active in **providing aid to people after the devastating earthquake**.

IRAQ

Socio-economic inclusion of vulnerable Christian minorities in Iraq

September 2022 – August 2024 | CZK 18,888,326*

(Italian Agency for Development Cooperation)

Support of the ignored Christian communities in urban and rural areas. As part of the two-year project, 240 farmers received support in the form of training and equipment, and 120 urban residents received financial support to rebuild their businesses. | **SDG 1, 8, 10**

Consultancy for vocational training, business training and mental health and psychosocial services under Community Security Integration Process (CSIP) in Sinjar and Sinuni, Iraq

May 2022 – January 2023 | CZK 8,072,565*

(UNDP – United Nations Development Programme)

Sinjar is one of the areas hardest hit by the conflict led by the Islamic State. The local inhabitants face high levels of youth and returnee unemployment, a shortage of skilled workers, a missing competitive market and social cohesion. The project, on

which Caritas Czech Republic worked in cooperation with Cordaid from the Netherlands, aimed to economically reintegrate 200 men and women through vocational and business skills trainings, grants for small start-ups and psychosocial support (PSS). | **SDG 1, 4, 8, 10**



Promoting work-based learning programmes for the host communities, Syrian refugees, and Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) in Duhok and Nineveh Governorates

September 2022 – August 2023 | CZK 16,376,597* (UNDP)

The objectives of this pilot project were to (1) make it easier for young people to enter the labour market with vocational training, (2) increase the capacity of local governmental structures, vocational training centres and business partners, and (3) assess the potential of public-private partnerships to support the integration of vocational training into national sector planning. | **SDG 1, 4, 8, 10**

Facilitation On-the-job Training for 250 youth to support Employment Opportunities: Lot 1– Mosul City

September 2022 – February 2023 | CZK 5,149,351* (UNDP)

Facilitation On-the-job Training for 250 youth to support Employment Opportunities: Lot 2– Kirkuk

September 2022 – March 2023 | CZK 5,149,351 | (UNDP)

Through these projects, Caritas provided training to a total of 500 new graduates and young people who had completed their education in previous years. Thanks to a two-month internship in the private sector, in small and medium-sized enterprises, young people have improved their job prospects. | **SDG 1, 4, 8, 10**



Emergency livelihoods support for vulnerable IDPs in Al-Amiriyah, Anbar Governorate

December 2022 – April 2023 | CZK 5,927,133* (Caritas France)

The project focused on vulnerable, internally displaced families living in informal settlements in Al-Amiriyah, Anbar Governorate, which improved their living situation and food security thanks to Caritas' support. In addition, the project also promoted the involvement of members of the host community, in particular, through the involvement of local businesses, in order to promote social cohesion and mitigate the risk of social tensions in the war-affected region. With this project, Caritas builds on its extensive experience with similar on-the-workplace trainings, which has been particularly effective in promoting long-term employment and building productive community relationships. It also builds on the previous interventions in Anbar province and cooperation with Caritas France. | **SDG 1, 8, 10**

Promoting Youth Employability, Entrepreneurship and Engagement in Local Economic Recovery and Development in Ninewa

December 2022 - September 2023

CZK 13,571,048* | (UNICEF – United Nations Children's Fund)

The governorates of Duhok and Ninewa face high unemployment rates, especially among young people, and a significant number of internally displaced people and refugees. The aim of the UNICEF-supported project was to contribute to tackling unemployment by organising courses aimed at developing the skills needed to get a job. The project also reached out to potential employers who offered internships or jobs to the participants. A total number of 3,000 young people completed the courses, 300 of whom were already employed during the project and others found employment after the end of the project. **SDG 1, 4, 8, 10**

Piloting Job Search Club (JSC) methodology in Duhok and Ninawa governorates

November 2023 - August 2024 | CZK 3,852,099* (ILO – International Labour Organisation)

The project aims to implement the Job Search Club (JSC) methodology in the governorates of Duhok and Ninawa. The methodology has been implemented in Egypt and Jordan in the past, and the International Labour Organization (ILO) chose Caritas Czech Republic to implement it in Iraq.

Caritas Czech Republic will train facilitators on how to help create job clubs and test their effectiveness on the first 200 job seekers. Activities of the club include skill trainings, coaching, networking and personalised help in areas such as interview tips, CV writing and navigating the labour market. Caritas Czech Republic is working with a team of experts from the International Labour Organisation, the Iraqi Youth Directorate and local providers of professional training and preparation (TVET) on the project. | **SDG 1, 4, 8, 10**

SYRIA

Empowering civil society in Northwest Syria

February 2022 - January 2024

CZK 12,271,510*

(European Commission)

This two-year project aimed to build the

capacity of civil society organisations in northwestern Syria, specifically in Idlib and Azaz, to effectively address the needs of the local community, expand their expertise and create networking opportunities. | **SDG 16**

Provision of food security assistance to the forcibly displaced people while building local capacities in NW Syria

March 2023 - December 2023 | CZK 11,111,112* (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic)

The area of Northwest Syria was hit by an earthquake in February 2023 and it remains the site of clashes between several parties of the conflict. It is also the place with one of the largest concentrations of displaced people in the country. The aim of the project was to ensure access to food and basic livelihood for the displaced people, and to support increasing capacity of local organisations. In addition to food aid, hygiene kits and other material aid packages were distributed. **SDG 2, 17**



TURKEY

Earthquake Emergency Response in Turkey

February 2023 - March 2023 | CZK 2,300,000*

(Collection for Syria and Turkey)

In addition to Syria, the 6 February 2023 earthquake also struck southern Turkey, claiming more than 50,000 lives and leaving an even greater number of victims in need of assistance. The aim of the project was to provide immediate material assistance to people affected by the earthquake in Hatay province. Our activities included the installation of containers equipped with portable toilets and shower cubicles, distribution of hygiene kits and clothing. Local people were also provided with basic psychological assistance. | **SDG 3, 6**

Provision of hygiene kits and installation of playgrounds in Malet 1 and Malet 2 container camps, Malatya, Turkey

October 2023 - November 2023 | CZK 1,297,129* (Collection for Syria and Turkey)

The aim of this project was to provide essential hygiene support to people affected by the earthquake in camps Malet 1 and Malet 2. In addition, the project also aimed to create an environment for healthy social and emotional development of children through the installation of two playgrounds. | **SDG 3, 6**

MAROCCO

Immediate humanitarian aid to earthquake victims in Morocco

September 2023 – October 2023 | CZK 130,000* (Collection for Morocco)

On the night of the 8th of September 2023, a strong earthquake measuring 6.8-6.9 on the Richter scale struck Morocco. Its epicentre was in the High Atlas Mountains. The devastating impact of the earthquake was particularly evident in five provinces: Taroudant, Ouarzazate, Azilal, and especially in the provinces of Al-Haouz and Chichaoua in the Marrakech-Safi region. Caritas Czech Republic was one of the first organisations at the site of the tragic event and together with Caritas Marrakech implemented a project aimed at providing immediate humanitarian aid to the victims. The main priority was to provide emergency housing for residents who had lost their homes. Tents were distributed in the first phase of the project, followed by blankets and clothing. The project also launched a food distribution programme for affected areas, with special attention to vulnerable groups (women, children, the elderly and people with disabilities). | **SDG 1, 2, 3, 6**

Morocco Earthquake Response

December 2023 – April 2024 | CZK 5,690,000* (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Collection for Morocco)

The epicentre of earthquake that hit on the 8th of September was deep in the Atlas Mountains.

Residents of the affected provinces are among the poorest inhabitants of the country by most socio-economic indicators. The approaching winter and the fact that most villages are in the mountains meant that providing emergency shelter would be a top priority. Caritas Czech Republic, together with Caritas Rabat, designed a project whose main element was to provide temporary shelter for residents. It has provided the essential material (wood, PVC, etc.) to improve insulation against temperature fluctuations, strong wind and humidity. The project has also involved distribution of clothing, mobile heating, temporary lighting or the provision of basic hygiene through the installation of showers and toilets. | **SDG 1, 3, 6**

GEORGIA

In Georgia, Caritas Czech Republic focuses, among other things, on the **development of health care and increasing the availability and quality of care**, especially in rural areas. We also **develop social services**, mainly the care for people with disabilities. As a part of ensuring adequate care, we have focused, for example, on building family-type homes, where people with disabilities are moved from large institutions to receive care according to their wishes and needs or ensuring accessible care through telehealth. In poor rural areas, we help people secure their livelihood, especially by supporting small businesses. We also focus on environmental protection and efficient waste management.

Support to primary healthcare strengthening in Georgia

April 2020 – December 2023 | CZK 33,371,586* (CRA – Czech Development Agency, TCS) – Three Kings Collection)

The project aims to improve the quality of health services in Georgia by introducing quality management tools (quality assurance and quality improvement) for primary health care, a standardized electronic management information system for village doctors and primary health care centres. It also aims to update qualification standards and requirements throughout the healthcare system and introduce lifelong learning programmes for healthcare professionals. | **SDG 3, 4**

Way to Home: Development of Adult Alternative Social Services in Georgia

**February 2020 – December 2023
CZK 26,630,542* | (CRA, Three Kings Collection))**



Developing a strategy and methodology for transforming outdated residential services for adults with physical and mental disabilities into more appropriate community-based services based on individual needs. | **SDG 1, 3**

Beef production in Georgia: Towards increase of productivity, competitiveness and sustainability

June 2022 – September 2024 | CZK 10,538,400* (CRA, Three Kings Collection)

The project aims to increase the income of selected farmers by providing efficient production resources and inputs, the necessary knowledge, market access and opportunities for value addition. The project focuses on at least 75 supported farms; 50 supported farms follow sustainable and more productive cattle rearing practices. It is implemented in three locations: Tusheti, Pshav-Khevsureti and Khulo municipality. | **SDG 15**

Pilot solution for permanently sustainable wastewater management in the Racha region of Georgia

September 2022 – April 2024 | CZK 4,420,000* (SlovakAid, Three Kings Collection) | (donor: SlovakAid, Caritas Czech Republic collaborates with the Slovak association SOSNA on this project)

The project built sustainable wastewater treatment infrastructure and provided support to public administration, local government and civil society in building and strengthening the capacity and efficiency of the wastewater management system. **SDG 6**

Access to Rights-Based Healthcare for Persons with Disabilities

March 2023 - December 2023 | CZK 427,550* (UNFPA – United Nations Population Fund)

While there has been a positive change in Georgia in recent years, there has been little improvement in the daily lives of many people with disabilities, who are still one of the most marginalised groups in the country. National health care legislation was reviewed and harmonized with the requirements of the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the communication standard for health care facilities (doctor-patient communication) was updated, educational materials were developed and trainings for health care professionals, including professors at Tbilisi State Medical University, were conducted.

SDG 3, 5, 10, 16, 17

Upskilling digital competences and career management skills of disadvantaged youth in Georgia, Armenia and Moldova

July 2023 – January 2025 | CZK 7,761,200* (CPMA – Central Project Management Agency, European Commission, Three Kings Collection)

The project aims to contribute to promoting the active participation of disadvantaged youth in democratic life and the labour market in Georgia, Armenia and Moldova through the development of digital competences and career management skills. **SDG 4, 8, 10**

Improvement of Early Childhood Intervention and Inclusive Education Services for Children with Special Needs in Georgia

May 2023 – December 2025

CZK 26,305,222* | (CRA, Three Kings Collection)

The project aims to improve the provision of social services and support to vulnerable children and their families by strengthening state policies, service provision mechanisms, professional practice and human resources in the field of early childhood care. The project was designed through close collaboration with the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs, the State Agency for Care and Assistance to Victims of Trafficking, the Child Development Institute of Ilia State University and the Early Childhood Development Coalition. | **SDG 1, 4**

Reach every child in Georgia with quality primary healthcare services

December 2023 - June 2024 | CZK 3,528,120* (UNICEF)

The aim of the project is to provide ongoing IT support for telehealth services, ensure seamless functionality of the paediatric telehealth system and create demand for telehealth services based on the positive experience gained from remote delivery of group health promotion sessions to parents and carers. The overall goal is to ensure access to quality services at the rural health care facilities by implementing telehealth services under the oversight of the Georgia Family Medicine Association Quality Assurance and Improvement Centre. | **SDG 3**

MOLDOVA

In 2023, we continued in our long-term effort to **increase the availability and quality of social and health services** in Moldova. It is primarily about supporting the development of telehealth, the financial sustainability of social services and ensuring adequate care for people with mental illness. At the same time, we successfully completed a project to provide immediate assistance to Ukrainian refugees in Moldova.

Technology for the future – telemedicine in Moldovan home care

September 2021 – June 2024 | CZK 8,500,000* | (CRA)

The project responds to the problem of a rapidly ageing population in Moldova. It aims to enable the older generation to access medical care remotely via telephonic consultation so that patients do not have to travel to doctor's offices and health facilities, which in most cases poses logistical challenges for these people. | **SDG 3, 9, 17**



Emergency aid for vulnerable refugees from UA to Moldova

March 2022 – March 2023 | CZK 61,000,000* (EU: DG ECHO – Directorate-General for European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations)

The aim of the project was to ensure access to quality health care, safe and dignified shelter and basic needs for vulnerable refugees from Ukraine in Moldova. The intervention focused on aiding refugees in existing refugee reception centres and host communities across Moldova. | **SDG 3**

Through capacity strengthening to lasting changes in system of social care in Moldova

September 2021 – June 2024 | CZK 1,200,000* (CRA)

The intention of the project is to introduce an appropriate system of social protection, to increase and improve the quality of social protection of vulnerable groups of the population by strengthening local capacities for coping with the process of deinstitutionalization and the development of quality services for people with mental disabilities and mental illness after leaving institutional care. | **SDG 3, 8, 11, 16**

Strengthening capacities and financial sustainability in the social homecare sector of Moldova

January 2023 – December 2025 | CZK 15,000,000* (CRA)

The project reflects the current situation and needs in the home care sector. It aims to pilot new

services in five existing home care centres across the country, increase the capacity of health and social workers in home care centres, social services departments and service providers in service provision, contribute to organisational development and financial sustainability of the service providers, and create partnerships between private and public entities within the home care sector. | **SDG 3, 8, 11, 16**

MONGOLIA

Mongolia is a large and sparsely populated Asian country where we have been continuously operating since 2006. In recent years, the country has been developing rapidly, but along with development there have been problems related to environmental protection and climate change. In 2023, as in previous years, we focused our **development assistance in Mongolia on waste management and sustainable development**, with a particular focus on plastics and construction waste recycling. At the same time, we continue to **support civil society**.

All for YOUth, YOUth for all

January 2020 – December 2023 | CZK 7,751,602* (European Commission, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Australian Volunteers Program Impact Fund, Three Kings Collection)

We worked with two local organisations on the project: Mongolian Youth Council (MYC) and the Centre for Civil Education (CCE). The main

objective of the project was to support and empower youth civil society organizations and improve their ability to communicate with local authorities to gain a greater stake in development and decision-making in Mongolia, thereby strengthening good governance and democracy in Mongolia.

SDG 5, 8, 10, 16

Sustainable plastics recycling in Mongolia

May 2020 – December 2024 | CZK 13,850,135* (European Commission, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, French Embassy in Mongolia, Three Kings Collection)

The project contributes to improving the plastics



management system and supports local recyclers. In collaboration with Czech scientists, systems to improve waste collection in Mongolia have been designed this year, which can be used in both urban and rural areas. We provide capacity building



training for SMEs and organise trainings for tutors. We also support civil society through events to raise public awareness about the need to separate waste. | **SDG 8, 11, 12, 13**

Switching on the green economy

January 2022 – December 2025 | CZK 7,999,100* (European Commission) | The main implementer of the project is People in Need.

The project builds on Mongolia's commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 22.7% till 2030. The project supports agricultural, food and beverage SMEs and retailers to adopt circular economy practices through a market-based eco-labelling system, capacity building, behaviour change and access to green funding. In 2023, the preparation and distribution of training manuals was completed, regular technical assistance meetings were held, and training of tutors took place. | **SDG 1, 6, 8, 12, 13**

UKRAINE

Ukraine has been resisting Russian aggression for three years. Millions of people had to leave their homes. Many have gone abroad, but nearly four million remain internally displaced. Caritas Czech Republic focuses on supporting these people to have their **basic needs** met, **including decent accommodation**. At the same time, we provide **humanitarian aid to people in need**; for example, we distributed equipment necessary to survive the winter or helped people affected by the flood after the destruction of the Kakhovka Dam.

Improve living conditions of IDPs in Zakarpatska Oblast and response to winterization needs of civilians in the frontline and de-occupied areas in Kherson and Mykolaiv Oblasts, Ukraine/ Emergency response to humanitarian needs related to Kakhovka Hydro Power Plant (HPP) explosion

February 2023 – December 2023

CZK 27,222,222* | (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, collections)

The aim of this project is to provide quality long-term housing for IDPs in the Zakarpattia Oblast and to mitigate the psychological impact of long-term displacement, as well as to provide basic in-kind humanitarian assistance to the civilian population living near the frontline and in

de-occupied areas. As part of the assistance following the Kakhovka hydroelectric power plant explosion, the project also ensured access to basic WASH services as well as the supply of personal hygiene and cleaning products for the implementation of basic infection prevention and control measures (IPC) among the population affected by the Kakhovka hydroelectric power plant explosion.



Provision of critical, life-saving winterisation support in Khersonska and Mykolaivska Oblasts of Ukraine

October 2023 – June 2024 | CZK 35,658,307* (Ukraine Humanitarian Fund)

The aim of the project is to address the urgent needs of IDPs, returnees and host communities in the Kherson and Mykolaiv regions linked to preparing for winter and providing shelter in

recently liberated and hard-to-reach locations. The project will support 9,853 direct beneficiaries through the installation of energy-efficient windows, fuel for heating and home insulation, as well as the distribution of winter household items and winter clothing kits. The project also considers gender perspective, violence committed on people and sexual exploitation and abuse issues using a comprehensive approach to prioritization in line with the recommendations of the Ukrainian government and the Shelter/NFI cluster and extensive training on violence committed on people and sexual exploitation and abuse issues provided to local partners.

ZAMBIA

Zambia is one of the countries with the highest levels of poverty and income inequality in the world. At the same time, the country is suffering from the effects of climate change, including prolonged droughts, which have a major impact on the availability of water and harvest, and therefore the ability of locals to secure their livelihood. In Zambia, we focus primarily on **supporting refugees and developing economic self-sufficiency through sustainable agriculture and small business start-ups**. We also provide college scholarships to vulnerable refugees and build farmers' resilience to climate change.

Tackling food insecurity and malnutrition by promoting nutrition-dense crops in Meheba and Mayukwayukwa Refugee Settlements in Zambia II.

January 2023 – December 2023 | CZK 5,000,000* (Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic) CZK 555,565* (donor account of Caritas Czech Rep.)

The project aimed to improve the outcomes of the 2022 programme of the same name, i.e. to improve nutrition and food security by supporting farmers to grow nutritionally rich crops in the Meheba and Mayukwayukwa refugee camps. We also focused on improving food security and nutrition for 200 of the most vulnerable households by supporting home gardens in these refugee camps. We focused on strengthening the functioning of the community seed bank of nutritious crops as well as to train farmers in the proper cultivation of these crops. **SDG 1, 2**

Innovative technological solutions for climate resilience in Western Province of Zambia

January 2023 – December 2023

CZK 2,777,800*

(Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic, Three Kings Collection)

The project focused on disaster risk reduction and building the resilience of Zambian farmers affected by climate change. The project also promoted environmentally friendly and sustainable practices. | **SDG 13**

We are the second largest Czech organization in the field of humanitarian aid and development cooperation.

40 projects in 9 countries



Enhancing Education (Lusaka) and Livelihoods of Refugees and their Host Communities in Zambia

January 2023 – December 2023

CZK 14,327,325* | (UNHCR - Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, CRA)

Caritas Czech Republic contributed to the education of children and youth from socially vulnerable refugee families primarily in Lusaka, where it provided tutoring and other social and community



services for children and adults through low-threshold centres. In Lusaka and in the refugee settlements of Mayukwayukwa and Maheba, we promoted access to livelihood through interventions focused on financial inclusion, business skills development, support to small farmers and cooperatives, improved agricultural productivity, support to small businesses and processors, as well as through collaboration with the private sector. A trilateral project with the budget of CZK 3,946,500 (CRA) complemented this

intervention and it aimed at promoting sustainable and profitable agricultural production and the development of value chains. The project provided training and agricultural inputs to 300 farming families.

SDG 1, 2, 13, 15

Increasing productivity and supporting the development of mango, cassava and organic fertilizer value chains in Western Province, Zambia

January 2023 – December 2023 | CZK 736,890* (CRA, Three Kings Collection)

The objective of the project was to increase agricultural productivity and add value to the production and processing of mangoes, cassava and organic fertilizer production in the Mongu district of the Western Province in Zambia. Most of the interventions were completed by the end of 2022, however, the one-year extension of the activities significantly strengthened the sustainability of the enterprises involved. Last year, we also trained employees of five companies in e-commerce and provided a follow-up support in online marketing. | **SDG 1, 2**

DAFI scholarship programme – tertiary education for refugees

January 2023 – December 2023 | CZK 4,816,024* (UNHCR)

The project conducted in cooperation with the German Embassy in Lusaka, which is in its fifth year, aims to improve access to tertiary education

for talented young refugees in refugee camps and urban communities through the DAFI (Deutsche Akademische Flüchtlingsinitiative Albert Einstein) scholarship. In 2023, we supported 87 refugees in studying, providing them not only with funding for tuition fees but also with travel, book and housing allowances. The project also supported students through experienced consultants providing career and psychosocial counselling. | **SDG 1, 4**

Increasing access to working capital and inputs through promotion of saving groups to farmers and traders

January 2023 – June 2023 | CZK 2,355,928* (Financial Sector Deepening Zambia)

This project follows the implementation of a project targeting four districts in the Luapula province implemented from January 2019 to December 2021. The second phase of the project, launched in 2022, aimed to improve the financial inclusion of rural communities in five districts of the province through capacity building and engagement with traditional leaders and village representatives. Furthermore, the promotion of financial education and the creation of savings groups through a model based on the so-called Master Trainers - trainers able to train and support the creation of new common savings associations. At the end of the 18-month project, 100 Master Trainers had been trained and 452 savings groups had been established with a total of 9,166 members in Lusaka and Luapula. **SDG 1, 2**

Developing an integrated approach to farming in the Western Province of Zambia, Phase III

January 2023 – December 2023 | CZK 50,000* (CRA)

The project aims to increase agricultural production and productivity of small farmers in the Western Province and to increase the resilience of the landscape to the impacts of climate change. The intention is also to increase the income of small farmers and thus contribute to raising the standard of living of the local population. Within this project, Caritas Czech Republic acts as a sub-contractor for Mendel University in Brno, which leads the implementation. In 2023, we trained future tutors on financial literacy and innovation in business development. | **SDG 1, 2, 15**



Sustainable commercial tailoring production by Lusaka urban refugees

January 2023 – June 2023 | CZK 387,780* (Embassy of the United States of America Lusaka)

The project aims to establish sustainable and commercial tailoring production for refugee applicants and host communities in Lusaka by building and equipping a tailoring workshop, improving the capacity of tailors and linking them with markets. In 2023, we renovated and equipped tailoring workshops at the Makeni transit centre; production started in August. Within the framework of the project, we selected 20 people to use the workshop for their work, based on an evaluation of the motivation of interested applicants. In addition to the facilities, the tailors were provided with support when preparing a portfolio of suitable products and subsequent entry into the local market. Moreover, the tailors were trained in business skills and marketing, including digital marketing. | **SDG 1, 2, 8**

Green solutions for sustainable development and growth in Monze District

June 2023 – December 2023 | CZK 6,315,790* (CRA)

The project focuses on increasing agricultural production among small and medium farmers, especially women and young generation, in the Monze district of the Southern Province of Zambia. The emphasis is not only on improving the efficiency of individual farmers' production, but also on establishing business relationships with local



buyers and building value chains. During the project, farmers will gain technical knowledge in sustainable and environmentally friendly soybean and sunflower cultivation, post-harvest handling, processing and storage, production diversification, natural resource management, agroforestry and climate change. These farmers will have basic financial literacy skills and will use financial services. In 2023, the first year of the project, 1,750 small and medium farmers were selected for the project. As part of the project activities, experts for Mendel University trained 5 government officials and 10 private sector representatives as future trainers in organic and sustainable agricultural practices. At the same time, the first 43 savings groups were established. **SDG 1, 2, 15**

* The amount corresponds to the total project budget



OVERVIEW OF FOREIGN PROJECTS

IN ARCHDIOCESAN AND DIOCESAN CARITAS IN 2023

MOLDOVA ■ **Supporting the Hippokrates Centre in Dorotcaia** (social and health care) – development of home healthcare, outpatient and outreach social care, strengthening the role and quality of care services in home and community settings.

ROMANIA ■ **Provision of care and assistance services in Banat** (social and health care, material assistance) – support for care and assistance services for the elderly in six Czech villages (including a contribution to the wages of the caregivers, spiritual support from priests and material assistance), supply of hygiene essentials, clothes and shoes, durable food, school supplies, toys, etc. ■ **Provision of dental care in Banat** (health care) – ensuring operation of a dental clinic (5 times a year) thanks to voluntary work of doctors and medical staff, including dental material and equipment, full maintenance of all equipment.

UKRAINE ■ **Support for the elderly, sick, abandoned, poor people in the Velykyi Bereznyi region of Ukraine** (social and health care) – care for the homeless, poor and unable to provide for their basic livelihood, care for the elderly, sick and socially needy people; in 2022, the assistance was expanded to include needy people fleeing occupied and shelled areas. ■ **Field service in Melitopol and its surroundings** (social and health care) – care for lonely and sick elderly, addicted and socially needy people in Zaporizhzhia Oblast of Ukraine; the subject of assistance are medicines, food, heating for winter, hygiene essentials, assistance aimed at providing basic decent housing, etc. The assistance is provided to Melitopol residents in exile, while supporting the activities of two homes for the elderly in the Melitopol district.



DIOCESAN CARITAS BRNO

DIOCESAN CARITAS BRNO
Regional Caritas Hodonín

DIOCESAN CARITAS BRNO
Regional Caritas Třebíč

UKRAINE ■ **Help for poor families** (material assistance, social care) – material assistance provided to poor families with children in Transcarpathia, Perechyn, Mukachevo and Lviv. ■ **Assistance to victims of the war conflict** (material aid, humanitarian aid) – social and material aid to victims of the war conflict in Zolochiv, Lysychansk and surrounding areas. ■ **Treatment for children and adults** (health care) – reimbursement of medical expenses for children and adults in Mukachevo and Perechyn. ■ **Halfway House in Uzhhorod** (social care) – helping teenagers when leaving children's homes, state boarding schools or socially vulnerable families and providing accommodation and facilities for a temporary period until they become fully independent. ■ **Crisis centre providing lunches for children** (material assistance, social care) – providing meals for children in the crisis centre of Caritas Lviv.

BELARUS ■ **Long-distance adoption in Belarus** (social care) – supporting children from incomplete or socially vulnerable families with the aim to improve their social and health situation. ■ **Support for the establishment of voluntary Caritas, Support for the Tabita project; Assistance in temporary accommodation for socially vulnerable families with children suffering from cancer** (social care) – support for the project of Caritas Minsk, support for volunteers in parishes, support for relief services; assistance in temporary accommodation for socially vulnerable families with children suffering from cancer during their treatment. ■ **Children of the street** (social care) – material, food and other assistance for children in need in the region where Caritas Pinsk works. **BULGARIA** ■ **Low-threshold facility for children and youth in Stara Zagora** (social care) – supporting the activities for children and youth from the socially disadvantaged Roma community. **ZIMBABWE** ■ **Donated Home in Zimbabwe** (social care, education) – support for children from Mary Ward Children's Home in Kwekwe (funding for school fees, clothing, food, medicine, health care, and mental development of the children).

INDIA ■ **Adopce na dálku® (Long-distance adoption)** (education) – financial support of education of poor children in their cultural background. ■ **Health support** (health care) – reimbursement of expenses related to a surgery or long-term illness for people in need. ■ **Children Learning Centres** (education) – school-age children are provided with tutoring and homework help in the afternoons and evenings. ■ **Qualification courses** (education) – courses for young people disadvantaged on the labour market – the project gives them an opportunity to train as a seamstress or professional driver. ■ **University** (education) – supporting university students from poor families. ■ **Activation programmes** (education) – supporting pupils and students in their ability to learn, personal development and career guidance. ■ **Construction of a school in Karadi** (education) – financial contribution to the construction of the school of St. Joseph. ■ **Library** (education) – purchasing books and textbooks for children living on the margins of Indian society.

DIOCESAN CARITAS BRNO
Regional Caritas Znojmo

Total amount: CZK 3,262,757

DIOCESAN CARITAS
ČESKÉ BUDĚJOVICE

Total amount: CZK 1,161,342

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC
CARITAS HRADEC KRÁLOVÉ

Total amount: CZK 11,237,819

DIOCESAN CARITAS LITOMĚŘICE

Total amount: CZK 506,782

MONGOLIA ■ **Supporting the activities of the centre of Salesians of Don Bosco in Mongolia** (livelihood and resources, social welfare, education) – supplying poor families with drinking water, “public showers”, hot water and laundry services; providing basic supplies for children and their education; supporting university students by paying their tuition fees; new “nutrition programme” for poor children. ■ **Support of Verbist Care Center** (social care, education) – provision of basic needs of accommodated children, provision of food, energy (especially heat), basic hygiene supplies.



ARCHDIOCESAN CARITAS OLOMOUC

Total amount: CZK 20,715,918

HAITI ■ **Long-distance adoption, community support, school equipment, livelihood support** (education, health, livelihood, housing, structural support) – providing basic education to children and young people in Baie de Henne, Gonaïves, Roche a Bateau, educating teachers and improving school facilities, promoting dignified and quality life. ■ **UKRAINE** ■ **Child homelessness in Ukraine, socially vulnerable families, humanitarian aid, material aid and support provided to local partners** (social care, health, livelihood, education, structural support) – support to Ukraine during the armed conflict, support to the orphanage for boys in Bortnyky, social canteen for children in Lopatyn, food warehouse and reconstruction of facilities for homeless people in Ternopil, support of studies of socially vulnerable young people at a university or vocational college, support to the development of partner organizations.

CZECH REPUBLIC ■ **Capacities for development IV** (capacity building) – strengthening the autonomy, expertise and cooperation of new and existing partner organisations in Ukraine and Moldova in the field of work of NGOs. ■ **MOLDOVA** ■ **Health and social centre in Grigorauca** (social and health care) – support for a home care centre for the elderly. ■ **Dignified life** (social care) – supporting specific seniors in the Singerei region. ■ **UKRAINE** ■ **Long-distance adoption** (social care) – assistance to socially vulnerable children (families) in Zakarpattia Oblast. ■ **Dignified life** (social care) – targeted assistance to the elderly or disabled in Zakarpattia Oblast. ■ **Old age home in Ust-Chorna** (social care) – support for a home for the infirm elderly in the Zakarpattia Oblast. ■ **Children's home of St. Nicholas** (social care) – support for the Children's home of the Town of Mercy in Ivano-Frankivsk Oblast. ■ **Home for mothers with children in Odessa** (ocial care) – support for mothers with children in

DIOCESAN CARITAS OSTRAVA-OPAVA

Total amount: CZK 8,508,405

Odessa. ■ **Gifts for needy children on the St. Nicholas' day** (social care) – one-time gift-giving to children living in Eastern Ukraine and Zakarpattia Oblast during the St. Nicholas' day. ■ **Food packages for Eastern Ukraine** (humanitarian aid) – one-time provision of basic needs in the form of food and hygiene packages for people affected by the conflict in Eastern Ukraine. ■ **Assistance to victims of the conflict** (humanitarian aid and social care) – direct material and medical assistance to victims of the conflict and their relatives. ■ **Unexpected requests for assistance** (social care) – support for children, socially vulnerable families, elderly people in Donetsk, Kherson, Zakarpattia Oblast and Kiev. ■ **Support for the youth centre in Novoselytsia** (youth care) – support for the centre and an English summer camp for children. ■ **Support for activities in Zakarpattia Oblast funded by the Three Kings Collection** (social care, education) – support for university students, treatment and rehabilitation of seriously ill children and the elderly, construction of a playground. ■ **Support for vulnerable children and families in Zhytomyr** (social care) – support for 10 vulnerable families with children, partner equipment, monitoring and training. ■ **VS/DMS** (social welfare) – food parcels, purchase of cars for UA, gifts for the day of St. Nicholas, support for children's home in Ternopil, operation. ■ **Purchase of medicines and medical equipment** (material assistance) – purchase of tourniquets and other medical supplies. ■ **Rehabilitation centre in Kalush** (development cooperation) – creation of conditions for psychological rehabilitation of war veterans in Eastern Ukraine (ATO, OOS) and their families. ■ **Joint AD and DZ fund** (social work, development cooperation) – support for the socially vulnerable and refugees.

BOLIVIA ■ **Long-distance adoption** (education) – contribution to education. ■ **ECUADOR** ■ **Long-distance adoption** (education) – contribution to education. ■ **PARAGUAY** ■ **Long-distance adoption** (education) – contribution to education. ■ **PERU** ■ **Long-distance adoption** (education) – contribution to education. ■ **AMMERE – Caring for under-age mothers with scarce economic resources** (social and health care, education) – non-monetary assistance to young mothers aged 12–16 living in extreme poverty regardless of their race and religion.



DIOCESAN CARITAS PLZEŇ

Total amount: CZK 1,299,175

ARCHDIOCESAN CARITAS PRAGUE

Total amount: CZK 28,248,375

ALBANIA ■ **Adopce na dálku® (Long-distance adoption)** (education, social welfare) – contribution to education.

BELARUS ■ **Adopce na dálku® (Long-distance adoption)** (education, social welfare) – contribution to education. ■ **Home for the elderly in Krasnopillia** (health and social care) – support for the home for the elderly (material assistance, personal packages). ■ **Assistance to seniors in Grodno Oblast** (health and social care) – mobile assistance to seniors (material assistance, medication, consultations). ■ **Home for the elderly in Krychovo** (health and social care) – support for the home for the elderly (material assistance, personal packages). ■ **Christmas gifts** (social care) – moral and material support for disabled children and children from socially vulnerable groups from Catholic communities of the Vitebsk diocese, as well as seniors from the home in Krasnopillia.

INDIA ■ **Adopce na dálku® (Long-distance adoption)** (education, social welfare) – contribution to education, support to communities. ■ **AHE – Promoting healthy lifestyles in adolescents** (education, social care) – promoting healthy lifestyles in adolescents. ■ **Financial support for university students from socio-economically**

disadvantaged families through student loans – education grants for pupils and students, community support. ■ **Asmee** (education, social and health care, livelihood and sources of income, environment, development assistance) – support to IGP, small business, agriculture, health.

■ **Aayush** (health and social care, development aid) – hospital support, purchase of new equipment. ■ **Supporting poor and marginalised families through their own businesses and building an activity room for children at St. Salvator's church** (education, social care, development aid) – supporting IGP, small business, agriculture, health. ■ **Sabala – Empowering women and adolescents in rural areas** (education, social welfare, development assistance) – supporting IGP, small business, agriculture, health. ■ **Asha Deepa – Addiction prevention and treatment program** (education, social and health care, development assistance) – supporting a prevention program for addiction treatment.

CONGO ■ **Adopce na dálku® (Long-distance adoption)** (education, social welfare) – contribution to education, support to communities. **KYRGYZSTAN** ■ **Assistance to victims of domestic violence and poor families with children in Bishkek** (social care) – the aim is to help families navigate their difficult life situation, stabilize themselves and return to a normal life. **UGANDA** ■ **Czech hospital of St. Karl Lwanga** (health care) – providing health care to the people of the region of Buikwe, running a mobile clinic,

spreading health awareness, providing preventive care. ■ **Adopce na dálku® (Long-distance adoption)** (education, social welfare) – contribution to education, support to communities. ■ **Construction**



of wells in Uganda (development aid) – construction of drinking water sources: drilling of 10 wells. **UZBEKISTAN** ■ **Fight against poverty – support for children from dysfunctional families + purchase of medicines for the poor** (social care) – support for the activities of the activation centre for socially vulnerable families with children. **ZAMBIA** ■ **Adopce na dálku® (Long-distance adoption)** (education, health and social care) – education grants for pupils and students, community support (micro-loans, literacy courses, IT skills training).

GLOBAL EDUCATION AND AWARENESS: YOUNG CARITAS

Caritas Czech Republic supports the sharing and development of solidarity and social responsibility among the emerging generations within the Global Education and Awareness section, which brought the pan-European Young Caritas platform specialising in the involvement of young people in public life through volunteering and informal education into the Czech Republic. A major challenge of 2023 was a long-term support of selected young people who improved something in their surroundings. Adaptation and integration activities for refugees from Ukraine culminated at the Young Caritas Centre. Young Caritas is also introducing the international concept of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to the general public.

Young Caritas Advocates

October 2022 – March 2024 | CZK 1,210,000 (Open Society Fund Foundation – Active Citizens Fund) CZK 75,000 (Caritas Czech Republic/Three Kings Collection)
This project works with young people aged 16 to 20 who want to become active citizens and change the world around them. We show them how to proceed and achieve solutions to specific issues in the places where they live. Internal and external experts provide them with education in the areas of communication, civil rights and the social pillar of a sustainable world. Thanks to the project, **the participants understood the concept of sustainability and gained skills and experience that they can use as active citizens.** The project included the Young Caritas Forum meeting for youth workers, which was held in May 2023.

Young Caritas Academy in Prague

October 2021 – September 2023 | CZK 3,126,199 (City of Prague – OPPGP, ESF)
This project **introduced the educational programme of the Young Caritas Academy into Prague schools.**




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PRAHA 1

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We would like to thank the Municipality of Prague 1 for providing free space in Haštalská Street to the Young Caritas Centre.





Within the programme, teachers and other professionals systematically enhanced their **knowledge and skills in the social pillar of sustainable development**. The Academy supported a school environment that motivates students towards social cohesion, encourages them to respect sociocultural diversity, develops their relationship with the surrounding environment, and thus deepened the pro-inclusiveness of the participating schools. An **online living library with its dedicated website** was created, a **summer school for teachers** was organized and a **Young Caritas Methodological Guide** was written within the project.

Young Caritas Centre

January/February 2023 – December 2023

CZK 1,499,625 (City of Prague, UNICEF)

CZK 1,862,280 (the Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic) | CZK 171,075 (Caritas Czech Republic/humanitarian collection)

Since November 2022, the Young Caritas Centre on Haštalská street in Prague 1 has served primarily as

a place for adaptation and integration activities for refugees from Ukraine. This space was allocated and entrusted to our use free of charge by the Prague 1 Municipal District. However, Young Caritas became involved in helping people arriving from Ukraine thanks to volunteers and funds raised in a public collection soon after the war began. Within the Young Caritas Centre, there is a club room open every weekday for schoolchildren. There are also Czech language courses for children and adults, career counselling and occasional social gatherings such as St. Nicholas Day party and open breakfast organized in collaboration with the governmental campaign HateFree Culture. **Refugees organized 15 community events themselves there.** Together with Czech children, the refugees went on excursions to the surroundings of Prague and visited museums and galleries. As a matter of course, there is a professional team composed of pedagogical and social workers supplemented by volunteers. At the Young Caritas Centre, we helped more than 860 refugees from Ukraine in 2023.

Dialogue for a Global Society

January 2023– December 2023 | CZK 1,453,636

(Czech Development Agency) | CZK 161,800

(Caritas Czech Republic/Three Kings Collection)

This project It actively contributed to the fulfilment of the three Sustainable Development Goals: Good Health and Well-Being, Climate Action and Reduced Inequalities, which correspond to the long-term activities of **Caritas Czech Republic**. The project responded to current issues such as Agenda

2030 and the Czech Republic's foreign development cooperation with a deeper focus on sustainability, partnership and the involvement of young people. Within the Dialogue project, panel discussions and interviews with experts were organised and the International Volunteer Day was celebrated. The project has created a high-quality network of partners from the ranks of representatives of the civil, public and private sectors, including ambassadors of young people. Through cooperation, it actively contributed to the **development of active citizenship among young people**.

EVOCA (European Volunteers for Caritas)

January 2023 – December 2025 | CZK 78,799

(European Solidarity Corps)

Under the wing of the European Caritas, Young Caritas helps to recruit young people aged 18 to 35 from EU member states for long-term international volunteering in Iraq, Mongolia and Zambia. For a minimum of 10 months, trained and carefully selected volunteers assist humanitarian networks in areas such as public relations, project or financial management. In this way, they make a meaningful impact directly in the field and in return gain the desired experience and valuable references for their professional CV.

Storytelling for Europe

March 2022 – August 2024 | CZK 292,470 |

(Erasmus+)

Caritas Czech Republic became a partner of the Storytelling for Europe project, which is managed

by the Slovak educational company Eduma, n.o. In addition to Caritas Czech Republic, the other partner organisations are Eurospeak Limited of Ireland and Marta Mas Languages of Spain, specifically Catalonia. The project has the aim of promoting and **expanding the use of storytelling as an innovative tool for developing young people's competencies in informal and formal education**. This involves development in the areas of language, critical thinking, empathy, setting values, advocacy and social responsibility, i.e. linguistic, digital, social and civic competencies. Caritas Czech Republic is responsible for the development of an e-learning tool related to storytelling methods.

Young Caritas in the Czech Republic

January 2020 – June 2023 | CZK 2,497,370

(Ministry of Education, Youth and Sport of the Czech Republic – OPRDE, ESF)

Young Caritas forms the **basis for working with children and youths** in the area of informal education with emphasis on values education, a participatory approach and **positive motivation of young people in the area of social and societal responsibility and active citizenship**. We organise summer and autumn day camps and SWAP clothing exchanges for them. Our employees are actively trained and introduce new informal education methods into their work in cooperation with other experts on the given issue. Our partners in this endeavour are the **České Budějovice Diocesan Caritas, Hradec Králové Diocesan Catholic Caritas, and the Plzeň Diocesan Caritas**.

YOUNGcaritas^{CZ} FORUM 2023

How to get young people involved in the activities of Caritas Czech Republic?

We looked for answers to this question during the first Young Caritas Forum, which took place on the 25th of May 2023 at Kampus Hybernská. The day-long event was attended by dozens of colleagues, staff working with children and youth, volunteer coordinators, volunteers themselves and education methodologists. The feedback to the forum was so positive that we have decided to repeat it again in 2024. The YC Forum was made possible thanks to the support of Open Society Fund and the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic.



FINANCIAL SECTION

COMMENTS ON THE FINANCIAL RESULTS FOR 2023

The year 2023 was a great challenge for Caritas Czech Republic, especially when it came to the continuation of services and assistance provided to citizens of Ukrainian nationality affected by the war both in the Czech Republic, and in Ukraine in cooperation with Caritas Ukraine.

The total financial result after tax for 2023 is loss of CZK 1,257,000.

The financial result is influenced by exchange-rate losses connected with the implementation of foreign projects.

The total volume of costs for 2023 amounts to CZK 345,813,000.

Caritas Czech Republic structures its spendings on its activities according to the individual areas, on which the departments of humanitarian aid and development cooperation, advocacy activities, education and awareness focus. These activities are supported by the communications and fund-raising departments, while administrative and management activities are handled by the economic and administrative department and the secretariat.

In 2023, the volume of costs for the Caritas Czech Republic's activities abroad amounted to 76% and for its activities in the Czech Republic to 18%. Its activities in the Czech Republic are mainly focused on support, cooperation and implementation of projects in the extensive Caritas' network represented

by 2 archdioceses (Prague and Olomouc) and 6 dioceses (Brno, Hradec Králové, Ostrava-Opava, České Budějovice, Plzeň and Litoměřice).

The economic activity is handled by the hotel and training centre Marianum which offers accommodation, conference and catering services in the beautiful surroundings of Prague Vinohrady.

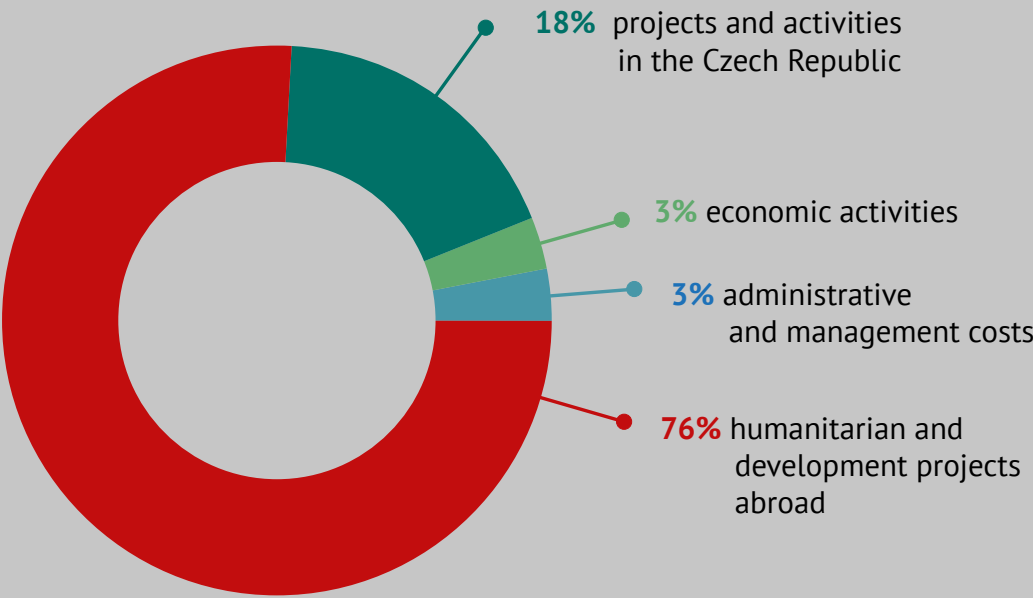
The total volume of revenue for 2023 amounted to CZK 344,556,000.

Caritas Czech Republic monitors the portfolio of sources of funding for its activities in four basic groups - donations, fund raising, which is separately monitored in terms of contributions from individual or corporate donors to public collections and within donor projects. The third group is economic activity, which is involved in financing projects both in the Czech Republic and abroad and, last but not least, in the development of the organisation and investments in economic activity. Other sources represent sources resulting from non-economic activities carried out by Caritas Czech Republic within its core business.

AUDITOR

The auditor confirmed in its statement that the accounts of Caritas Czech Republic were kept and the financial statements were compiled in accordance

COST STRUCTURE 2023

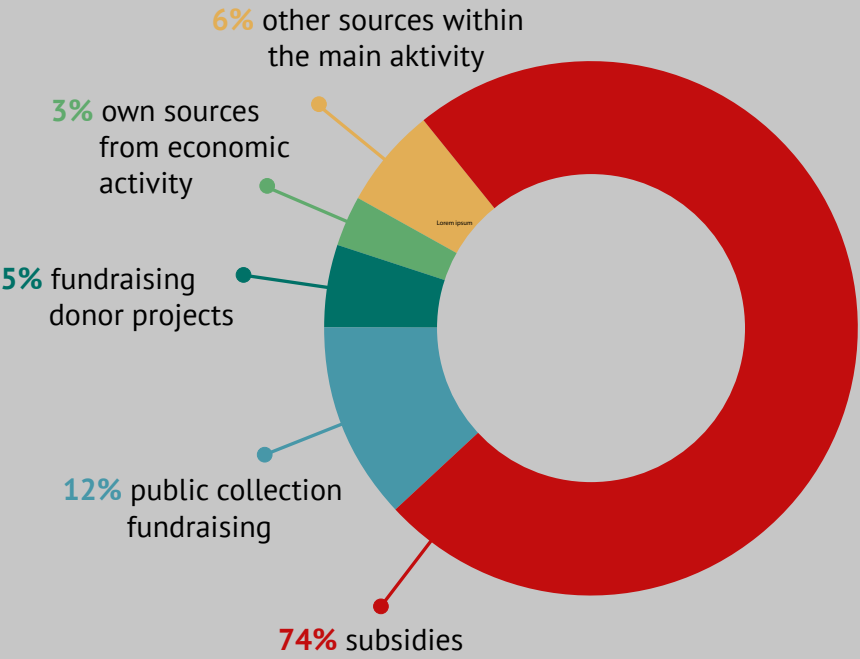


with Act No. 563/1991 Coll., on Accounting, and Decree No. 504/2002 Coll. (as amended), which is an implementing decree to the aforementioned Act for accounting units using the double-entry bookkeeping system, in the case of which conducting business is not the principal subject of activity.

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REVENUE STRUCTURE 2023



COSTS AND REVENUES OF ALL CARITAS ORGANISATIONS IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC IN 2023 (in CZK thousands)

Indicator	Praha	České Budějovice	Plzeň	Litoměřice	Hradec Králové
Consumption of materials, goods and energy	57,328	47,670	56,798	75,920	99,287
Services	66,897	40,688	35,775	41,344	100,988
Wage costs without other personnel costs	310,481	226,194	233,522	305,304	572,859
Other pers. costs (agreement on work activity/ on performance of work)	23,809	12,173	10,209	7,432	30,592
Social-security and health insurance	106,220	76,786	79,329	102,314	195,162
Other personnel costs	7,638	2,489	6,325	5,026	23,039
Other costs	56,065	20,026	6,711	10,106	25,675
Write-offs + residual price of property sold	21,341	12,463	15,873	17,253	43,463
Total costs	649,779	438,489	444,542	564,699	1,091,065

Revenues from own activities and services	138,143	83,944	120,909	135,007	123,524
Revenues from services within IP	0	3,569	4,406	2,149	45,727
Revenues from health insurance companies	62,031	43,931	39,877	60,581	304,975
Subsidies from the MEYS for social services	87,966	82,434	0	9,252	81,114
Subsidies from the MEYS for other projects	1,029	6,606	0	3,092	1,119
Subsidies from the regions for soc. services from MEYS funding	167,747	100,488	143,486	218,808	310,658
Subsidies from the regions for social services from regional funding	74,773	17,649	10,750	28,043	23,966
Subsidies from the regions for other projects	1,612	444	0	20,424	21,095
Other ministries and the Office of the Government	10,740	7,100	1,259	2,005	9,613
Subsidies from towns and cities for social services	14,157	22,897	40,378	18,523	54,469
Other subsidies for social services – EU	8,989	13,442	34,113	28,470	17,204
Other subsidies (e. g. Office of the Government, other EU)	1,317	2,621	11,365	23,054	19,085
Other revenues	38,872	22,408	23,311	11,156	64,999

Brno	Olomouc	Ostrava-Opava	Greek Caritas	Caritas CR	TOTAL
105,000	162,108	143,420	0	14,756	762,287
79,430	103,531	88,222	31	217,321	774,227
649,474	826,363	540,629	0	38,788	3,703,614
5,486	28,968	16,808	378	125	135,980
211,299	278,716	179,021	49	12,590	1,241,486
16,290	15,587	23,052	1	2,036	101,483
32,868	43,229	13,822	522	58,714	267,738
40,286	48,083	35,634	0	1,483	235,879
1,140,133	1,506,585	1,040,608	981	345,813	7,222,694

107,468	331,406	326,565	0	22,927	1,389,893
815	21,417	9,352	0	0	87,435
265,223	184,901	94,711	0	0	1,056,230
4,738	49,122	1,438	0	0	316,064
2,241	2,097	26	0	0	16,210
0	570,108	362,953	0	0	1,874,248
70,855	100,176	23,294	0	0	349,506
70,855	9,791	4,244	0	5,777	134,242
206,098	8,557	2,785	0	49,259	297,416
102,471	61,200	78,773	0	0	392,868
85,072	33,061	27,085	0	0	247,436
85,722	17,604	52,047	0	41,662	254,476
90,982	48,537	43,400	0	167,822	508,487

Indicator	Praha	České Budějovice	Plzeň	Litoměřice	Hradec Králové
Donations	61,896	31,760	19,549	17,822	36,991
Donations from towns and cities	2,087	751	20	1,136	0
Church collections, including Lenten Alms	196	0	427	1,203	945
Public collections	1,424	1,251	0	765	10,354
Total revenues	669,979	441,295	449,850	581,490	1,125,838

Economic result	20,200	2,806	5,308	16,791	34,773
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Acquisition of building investment, including land	109,919	8,920	8,769	14,494	185,389
Acquisition of machines and equipment	7,013	35,344	9,621	27,773	46,455
Total investment expenditures	116,932	44,264	18,390	42,267	231,844
Investment subsidy	77,668	38,753	8,269	21,512	119,275

Number of employees					
physical employment as at 31 December without other personnel costs	886	613	595	819	1,711
avarage converted for the wholeyear without other personnel costs	738.03	518	523.52	743	1,344.98

Brno	Olomouc	Ostrava-Opava	Greek Caritas	Caritas CR	TOTAL
20,741	40,253	20,411	1,014	16,212	266,649
139	3,875	951	0	0	8,959
7,514	1,501	74	0		11,860
22,065	28,697	259	0	40,898	105,713
1,142,998	1,512,303	1,048,368	1,014	344,556	7,317,692

2,865	5,718	7,760	33	-1,257	94,998
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11,857	95,834	66,900	0	0	502,082
18,056	74,523	49,355	0	954	269,094
29,913	170,357	116,255	0	954	771,176
13,980	83,663	46,186			409,306

1,399	2,189	1,589	0	73	9,874
1,297	1,981.84	1,379.97	0	68	8,595



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
on the financial statements as at 31 December 2023 of
ecclesiastical legal entity
Charita Česká republika (Caritas Czech Republic)

Identification data:

Company name: Charita Česká republika (Caritas Czech Republic)

Registration number: 701 00 969

Company address: Vladislavova 1460/12
110 00 Prague 1

Balance sheet date: 31 December 2023

Audited period: from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023

Financial reporting framework: Czech accounting regulations

Date of issue auditor's report: 5 June 2024

Auditor: Erik Ďurkán
Licence No. 2407

Moore Audit CZ s.r.o.
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Independent Auditor's Report for the founders of ecclesiastical legal entity
Charita Česká republika (Caritas Czech Republic)

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of ecclesiastical legal entity Charita Česká republika (Caritas Czech Republic, hereinafter also the "Company") prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Czech Republic, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31 December 2023, the profit and loss account from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information. For details of the Company, see Note 1. to the financial statements.

In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of assets, liabilities and equity of ecclesiastical legal entity Charita Česká republika (Caritas Czech Republic) as at 31 December 2023, and of its expenses, revenues and loss for the accounting period from 1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023 in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the Czech Republic.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with the Act on Standards of the Chamber of Auditors of the Czech Republic, which are International Standards on Auditing (ISAs), as amended by the related application clauses. Our responsibilities under this law and regulation are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the Act on Auditors and the Code of Ethics adopted by the Chamber of Auditors of the Czech Republic and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Other Information in the Annual Report

In compliance with Section 2(b) of the Act on Auditors, the other information comprises the information included in the Annual Report other than the financial statements and auditor's report thereon. The statutory body of the Company is responsible for the other information.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information. However, in connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. In addition, we assess whether the other information has been prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with applicable law or regulation, in particular, whether the other information complies with law or regulation in terms of formal requirements and procedure for preparing the other information in the context of materiality, i.e. whether any non-compliance with these requirements could influence judgments made on the basis of the other information.



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Based on the procedures performed, to the extent we are able to assess it, we report that:

- The other information describing the facts that are also presented in the financial statements is, in all material respects, consistent with the financial statements; and
- The other information is prepared in compliance with applicable law or regulation.

In addition, our responsibility is to report, based on the knowledge and understanding of the Company obtained in the audit, on whether the other information contains any material misstatement of fact. Based on the procedures we have performed on the other information obtained, we have not identified any material misstatement of fact.

Responsibility of the Statutory Body for the Financial Statements

The statutory body of the Company is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements that give a true and fair view in accordance with Czech accounting regulations and for such internal control as statutory body determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the statutory body of the Company is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the statutory body either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the above mentioned regulations will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with the above law or regulation, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the statutory body in the notes to the financial statements.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of the statutory body's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw

attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.

- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the notes to the financial statements, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the statutory body regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Prague, 5 June 2024

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Statutory auditor, Licence No. 2407

Financial statements as at 31 December 2023

Company name: Charita Česká republika

Company adress: Vladislavova 1460/12,
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Legal form: Ecclesiastical legal person

Registration number: 8/1-00-702/1999

Main activity: Provision and operation of charitable, social and health services and facilities, implementation of humanitarian aid and development cooperation directly or through the individual archdioceses and dioceses in the Czech Republic and foreign missions outside the Czech Republic. Coordination and implementation of immediate and follow-up assistance during disasters and natural disasters. Organisation of professional courses, training, lecturing and awareness-raising activities. Advocacy activities, development of opinions and commenting on legal norms of the Czech Republic. Cooperation with other Christian churches and organizations of similar mission operating in the fields of charity, humanitarian, social, health and educational.

Secondary (economic) activity: Economic activity to raise funds for the implementation of core activities.

Date: 5 June 2024

Authorized body of accounting unit	Signature
Mgr. et Mgr. Lukáš Curylo Statutory body	

BALANCE SHEET				
as of 31/12/2023				
(in thousands of Czech crowns)				
Elaborated under Regulation No. 504/2002 Sb. as amended		same and registered office of accounting entity		
Company registration No. 70100969		Caritas Czech Republic		
		Vladislavova 12		
		110 00 Prague 1		
		Czech Republic		
ASSETS		Line number	Balance as of the first day of the fiscal period	Balance as of the last day of fiscal period
a		b	1	2
A.	Fixed assets (I. 02 + 10 + 21 - 28)	1	73 346	72 123
A.I.	Intangible fixed assets (I. 03 to 09)	2	1 613	1 613
A.I.1.	Research and development	(012)	3	0
A.I.2.	Software	(013)	4	1 613
A.I.3.	Royalties	(014)	5	0
A.I.4.	Low-value intangible fixed assets	(018)	6	0
A.I.5.	Other intangible fixed assets	(019)	7	0
A.I.6.	Intangible fixed assets under construction	(041)	8	0
A.I.7.	Advance payments for intangible fixed assets	(051)	9	0
A.II.	Tangible fixed assets (I. 11 to 20)	10	110 655	110 444
A.II.1.	Land	(031)	11	19 502
A.II.2.	Works of art, items and collections	(032)	12	0
A.II.3.	Buildings	(021)	13	87 444
A.II.4.	Property, land, equipment	(022)	14	3 709
A.II.5.	Cultivated areas	(025)	15	0
A.II.6.	Livestock	(026)	16	0
A.II.7.	Low-value tangible fixed assets	(028)	17	0
A.II.8.	Other tangible fixed assets	(029)	18	0
A.II.9.	Tangible fixed assets under construction	(042)	19	0
A.II.10.	Advance payments for tangible fixed assets	(052)	20	0
A.III.	Long-term investments (I. 22 to 27)	21	0	0
A.III.1.	Shares - controlled or controlling entity	(061)	22	0
A.III.2.	Investments in affiliated companies	(062)	23	0
A.III.3.	Bonds, debentures and similar securities held until maturity	(063)	24	0
A.III.4.	Loans to organisational units	(066)	25	0
A.III.5.	Other long-term loans	(067)	26	0
A.III.6.	Other long-term investments	(069)	27	0
A.IV.	Accumulated depreciation of fixed assets (I. 29 to 39)	28	-38 922	-39 934
A.IV.1.	Accumulated depreciation of research and development	(072)	29	0
A.IV.2.	Accumulated depreciation of software	(073)	30	-1 613
A.IV.3.	Accumulated depreciation of royalties	(074)	31	0
A.IV.4.	Accumulated depreciation of low-value intangible fixed assets	(078)	32	0
A.IV.5.	Accumulated depreciation of other intangible fixed assets	(079)	33	0
A.IV.6.	Accumulated depreciation of buildings	(061)	34	-34 833
A.IV.7.	Accumulated depreciation of property, plant and equipment	(082)	35	-2 476
A.IV.8.	Accumulated depreciation of cultivated areas	(085)	36	0
A.IV.9.	Accumulated depreciation of livestock	(086)	37	0
A.IV.10.	Accumulated depreciation of low-value tangible fixed assets	(088)	38	0
A.IV.11.	Accumulated depreciation of other tangible fixed assets	(089)	39	0

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B.	Current assets (I. 41 + 51 + 71 + 80)	40	270 557	254 974
B.I.	Inventories (I. 42 to 50)	41	103	124
B.I.1.	Material on stock	(112)	42	0
B.I.2.	Material in transit	(119)	43	0
B.I.3.	Work-in-progress products	(121)	44	0
B.I.4.	Semi-finished products of own production	(122)	45	0
B.I.5.	Finished goods	(123)	46	0
B.I.6.	Livestock	(124)	47	0
B.I.7.	Stock goods and goods in shops	(132)	48	103
B.I.8.	Goods in transit	(139)	49	0
B.I.9.	Advance payments for inventories	(314)	50	0
B.II.	Receivables (I. 52 to 70)	51	31 695	18 423
B.II.1.	Customers	(311)	52	585
B.II.2.	Bills for collection	(312)	53	0
B.II.3.	Receivables from discounted securities	(313)	54	0
B.II.4.	Operational deposits given	(314-I.50)	55	861
B.II.5.	Other receivables	(315)	56	787
B.II.6.	Receivables from employees	(335)	57	74
B.II.7.	Receivables from institutions of social security and public health insurance	(336)	58	0
B.II.8.	Income tax	(341)	59	0
B.II.9.	Other direct taxes	(342)	60	0
B.II.10.	Value added tax	(343)	61	0
B.II.11.	Other taxes and charges	(345)	62	60
B.II.12.	Grants receivable and other payments from the state budget	(346)	63	4 613
B.II.13.	Grants receivable and other payments from local self-government bodies	(348)	64	0
B.II.14.	Receivables from shareholders associated in the company	(358)	65	0
B.II.15.	Receivables from fixed-term transactions and options	(373)	66	0
B.II.16.	Receivables from issued bonds	(375)	67	0
B.II.17.	Other receivables	(378)	68	24 621
B.II.18.	Estimated receivables	(388)	69	96
B.II.19.	Provision for receivables	(391)	70	-2
B.III.	Current financial assets (I. 72 to 79)	71	213 555	219 662
B.III.1.	Cash in hand	(211)	72	222
B.III.2.	Valuables	(213)	73	0
B.III.3.	Cash at bank	(221)	74	213 179
B.III.4.	Equity securities held for trading	(251)	75	52
B.III.5.	Debt securities for trading	(253)	76	0
B.III.6.	Other securities	(256)	77	0
B.III.7.	Short-term investments (provisional value)	(259)	78	0
B.III.8.	Money in transit	(+/-261)	79	102
B.IV.	Other assets (I. 81 + 82)	80	25 204	16 765
B.IV.1.	Prepaid expenses	(381)	81	25 183
B.IV.2.	Accrued revenues	(385)	82	21
TOTAL ASSETS (I. 1 + 40)		83	343 903	327 097

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LIABILITIES	Line number	Balance as of the last day of the fiscal period	Balance as of the last day of fiscal period
	c	3	4
A. Own resources (I. 85 + 89)	84	313 278	305 199
A.I. Sum of lines (I. 86 to 88)	85	266 100	259 278
A.I.1. Equity (901)	86	37 305	36 888
A.I.2. Funds (911)	87	229 018	222 603
A.I.3. Revaluation of financial assets and liabilities (921)	88	-223	-223
A.II. Profit/loss (I. 90 to 92)	89	47 178	45 921
A.II.1. Profit/loss account (+/-963)	90	X	-1 257
A.II.2. Profit/loss in approval procedure (+/-931)	91	X	X
A.II.3. Retained profits, accumulated losses (+/-932)	92	47 178	47 178
B. Liabilities (I. 94 + 96 + 104 + 128)	93	30 625	21 888
B.I. Provisions (I. 95)	94	0	0
B.I.1. Provisions (941)	95	0	0
B.II. Long-term liabilities (I. 97 to 103)	96	0	0
B.II.1. Long-term bank credits (963)	97	0	0
B.II.2. Issued bonds (963)	98	0	0
B.II.3. Lease liabilities (964)	99	0	0
B.II.4. Long-term advances received (965)	100	0	0
B.II.5. Long-term bills of exchange payable (968)	101	0	0
B.II.6. Estimated payables (989)	102	0	0
B.II.7. Other long-term payables (969)	103	0	0
B.III. Short-term liabilities (I. 105 to 127)	104	19 343	18 073
B.III.1. Suppliers (321)	105	5 664	5 353
B.III.2. Bills of exchange payable (322)	106	0	0
B.III.3. Advances received (324)	107	1 977	4 007
B.III.4. Other liabilities (325)	108	0	0
B.III.5. Employees (331)	109	2 866	2 966
B.III.6. Payables to employees (333)	110	0	0
B.III.7. Payables to social security and health insurance (336)	111	1 330	1 459
B.III.8. Income tax (341)	112	110	123
B.III.9. Other direct taxes (342)	113	302	265
B.III.10. Value added tax (343)	114	683	625
B.III.11. Other taxes and charges (345)	115	60	21
B.III.12. Payables to state budget (346)	116	1 116	1 861
B.III.13. Payables to budgets of self-government bodies (348)	117	0	0
B.III.14. Payables to subscribed unrealized securities and deposits (367)	118	0	0
B.III.15. Payables to shareholders associated in the company (368)	119	0	0
B.III.16. Payables to fixed term-transactions and options (373)	120	0	0
B.III.17. Other payables (379)	121	4 765	865
B.III.18. Short-term bank loans (231)	122	0	0
B.III.19. Discount credits (232)	123	0	0
B.III.20. Short-term bonds issues (241)	124	0	0
B.III.21. Own bonds (255)	125	0	0
B.III.22. Estimated payables (389)	126	470	528
B.III.23. Other short-term financial assistance (379)	127	0	0
B.IV. Sum of lines (I. 129 + 130)	128	11 282	3 825
B.IV.1. Accrued expenses (383)	129	974	1 272
B.IV.2. Deferred revenues (384)	130	10 308	2 553
LIABILITIES TOTAL (I. 84 + 93)	131	343 903	327 097

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PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT					
from 1/1/2023 to 31/12/2023					
(in thousands of Czech crowns)					
Elaborated under Regulation No. 504/2002 Sb. as amended		Caritas Czech Republic			
Company registration No. 70100969		Vladislavova 12 110 00 Prague 1 Czech Republic			
Number of line	Indicator's name	Number of line	main activity	economic activity	total
		1	2	3	
A. Costs (I. 39)		1	334 268	11 545	345 813
A.I. Total consumed purchases and purchased services (I. 3 to 8)		2	224 984	7 093	232 077
A.I.1. Consumption of material, energy and other non-storable supplies (501-3)	3	12 604	2 152	14 756	
A.I.2. Goods sold (504)	4	0	0	0	0
A.I.3. Repairs and maintenance (511)	5	883	199	1 082	
A.I.4. Travel expenses (512)	6	3 636	1	3 637	
A.I.5. Representation expenses (513)	7	1 284	2	1 286	
A.I.6. Other services (518)	8	206 577	4 739	211 316	
A.II. Change in inventories of own production and material, goods, internal services and fixed assets capitalized (I. 10 to 12)	9	0	0	0	0
A.II.7. Change in inventories of own production (56x)	10	0	0	0	0
A.II.8. Material, goods, internal services capitalized (57x)	11	0	0	0	0
A.II.9. Fixed assets capitalized (57x)	12	0	0	0	0
A.III. Total personnel expenses (I. 14 to 18)	13	50 024	3 515	53 539	
A.III.10. Wages and salaries (521)	14	36 350	2 563	38 913	
A.III.11. Statutory social insurance (524)	15	11 839	751	12 590	
A.III.12. Other social insurance (525)	16	0	0	0	0
A.III.13. Statutory social costs (527)	17	1 320	124	1 444	
A.III.14. Other social costs (528)	18	515	77	592	
A.IV. Total taxes and charges (I. 20)	19	106	21	127	
A.IV.15. Taxes and charges (53x)	20	106	21	127	
A.V. Other costs in total (I. 22 to 28)	21	57 358	137	57 495	
A.V.16. Contractual penalties, default interests and other fines and penalties (541)	22	0	0	0	0
A.V.17. Depreciation of bad debt (543)	23	0	0	0	0
A.V.18. Interests (544)	24	0	0	0	0
A.V.19. Exchange rate losses (545)	25	10 189	28	10 217	
A.V.20. Gifts (546)	26	44 793	0	44 793	
A.V.21. Deficits and damages (548)	27	1	0	1	
A.V.22. Other costs (549)	28	2 375	109	2 484	
A.VI. Depreciations, assets sold, creation and consumption of provisions and allowances (I. 30 to 34)	29	871	612	1 483	
A.VI.23. Amortization of tangible and intangible fixed assets (551)	30	871	593	1 464	
A.VI.24. Fixed assets sold (552)	31	0	0	0	0
A.VI.25. Securities and shares sold (553)	32	0	0	0	0
A.VI.26. Material sold (554)	33	0	0	0	0
A.VI.27. Creation and consumption of provisions and allowances (556-9)	34	0	19	19	
A.VII. Contributions provided in total (I. 36)	35	832	0	832	
A.VII.28. Membership contributions provided and provided contributions accounted among organisational units (58x)	36	832	0	832	
A.VIII. Total income tax (I. 48)	37	93	167	260	
A.VIII.29. Income tax (59x)	38	93	167	260	
TOTAL COSTS	39	334 268	11 545	345 813	

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B. Revenues (I. 67)	40	332 146	12 410	344 556
B.I. Operational grants (I. 42)	41	96 697	0	96 697
B.I.1. Operational grants (I. 42) (691)	42	96 697	0	96 697
B.II. Total contributions received (I. 44 to 46)	43	9	0	9
B.II.2. Contributions received accounted among organisational units (681)	44	0	0	0
B.II.3. Contributions received (gifts) (682)	45	0	0	0
B.II.4. Membership contributions received (684)	46	9	0	9
B.III. Receipts for own performance and goods in total (I. 48 to 50)	47	10 617	12 310	22 927
B.III.1. Sales of own products (601)	48	0	0	0
B.III.2. Sales of services provided (602)	49	10 617	12 310	22 927
B.III.3. Sales of goods (604)	50	0	0	0
B.IV. Other revenues in total (I. 52 to 57)	51	224 820	100	224 920
B.IV.5. Contractual penalties, late interests and other fines and penalties (641-2)	52	0	0	0
B.IV.6. Payments for depreciated receivables (643)	53	0	0	0
B.IV.7. Interests (644)	54	1 208	7	1 215
B.IV.8. Exchange rate gains (645)	55	5 885	22	5 907
B.IV.9. Settlement of funds (648)	56	217 719	29	217 748
B.IV.10. Other revenues (649)	57	8	42	50
B.V. Receipts for sale of assets (I. 59 to 63)	58	3	0	3
B.V.11. Revenue from sales of intangible and tangible fixed assets (652)	59	3	0	3
B.V.12. Revenue from sales of securities and shares (653)	60	0	0	0
B.V.13. Revenue from sales of material (654)	61	0	0	0
B.V.14. Revenue from short-term financial investments (655)	62	0	0	0
B.V.15. Revenue from long-term investments (657)	63	0	0	0
TOTAL REVENUES	84	332 146	12 410	344 556
C. PROFIT/LOSS BEFORE TAX (I. 39 - 64 + 38)	85	-2 029	1 032	-997
A.VIII.29. Income tax (591)	66	93	167	260
D. PROFIT/LOSS AFTER TAX (I. 65 - 66)	67	-2 122	865	-1 257

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General information

Accounting period:	1 January 2023 – 31 December 2023
Name:	Charita Česká republika
Office:	Vladislavova 1460/12, 110 00 Prague 1
Legal form:	ecclesiastical legal entity
Statutory authority:	Mgr. et Mgr. Lukáš Curylo
Creation date:	27 December 1999 entered in the Register of Legal Entities of the Ministry of Culture of the Czech Republic, registration number: 8/1-00-702/1999
Purpose (mission):	The Church's service of merciful love to people in distress, danger, and need, regardless of their race, nationality, religion, or national or political affiliation.
Main activity:	Provision and operation of charitable, social and health services and facilities, implementation of humanitarian aid and development cooperation directly or through individual archdioceses and dioceses in the Czech Republic, and foreign missions outside the Czech Republic. Coordination and implementation of immediate and follow-up assistance in disaster and natural disasters. Organising professional courses, training, teaching and educational activities. Advocacy activities, creation of opinions and comments on legal norms of the Czech Republic. Cooperation with other Christian churches and organisations of similar mission operating in the fields of charity, humanitarian, social, health and education.
Secondary (economic) activity:	economic activity in order to obtain funds for the implementation of main activities
Entity category:	medium size entity
Founder:	Česká biskupská konference, Thákurova 676/3, Praha 6 – Dejvice IČO: 005 40 838



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I. General accounting principles

The organisation keeps accounts according to Act No. 593/1991 Coll. on Accounting, as amended, and Implementing Decree No. 504/2002 Coll., as amended (hereinafter referred to as "Accounting Regulations"). The values in this appendix are given in thousands of CZK (TCZK), unless otherwise stated.

I.1. Fixed assets

Tangible and intangible fixed assets are assets with a useful life of more than one year and a valuation amount of TCZK 80 or more.

Buildings, land and works of art are considered tangible fixed assets, regardless of their cost and useful life. Financial fixed assets are assets with a maturity of more than one year, regardless of valuation.

Fixed assets are valued at cost, i.e., including incidental acquisition costs, or at replacement cost (assets acquired free of charge).

Depreciation of tangible and intangible fixed assets is regulated by the depreciation plan and the company applies the straight-line method of depreciation.

Non-current small tangible assets with a useful life of more than one year, valued at TCZK 5 - 80, are charged to costs and recorded in the operational records. Exceptions are laptops and computers, which are recorded from a value of TCZK 0.

I.2. Securities and shares

The organization records purchased securities as part of short-term financial assets, see section "II.2. Shares, participation certificates, bonds, stocks".

I.3. Inventories

The organization values inventories at cost including incidental acquisition costs. Donated inventories are valued according to the donation agreement.

I.4. Receivables

Receivables are valued at their nominal value when incurred. In accordance with the decree, an organization may create allowances for receivables in connection with activities which are subject to income tax. Any allowances are then made in accordance with Act No. 593/1992 Coll., on provisions for income tax purposes.

The organisation accounts for estimated accounts receivable in the case of written promises of subsidies for activities that have already taken place (reflected in costs) but will not be financially received until a later period.

The organisation accounts for the item "B.II.17. Other receivables" in accordance with the right to funds from foreign donors according to the accounting methodology specified in section I.8.3 Received subsidies.

I.5. Cash and securities

Cash and securities are valued at their nominal values. Separate bank accounts are set up for received funds from collections and selected tied donations (grants), on which these funds are registered and reported.



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I.6. Foreign currency transactions

During the accounting period, the organization converts receivables and payables denominated in foreign currencies into Czech currency at the fixed monthly exchange rate announced by the CNB on the first day of each calendar month. Foreign exchange differences recognised at the end of the balance sheet date are presented, depending on their substance, in the profit and loss statement under "A.V.19 Exchange rate losses" or under "B.IV.8 Exchange rate gains". At the end of accounting period the value of funds, liabilities, receivables, subsidies and grants denominated in foreign currencies are converted into Czech currency at the CNB exchange rate as at 31 December.

Paid or received advances denominated in foreign currencies that have not been settled by the end of the financial year and are not expected to be repaid are recognised under "B.IV.1 Deferred expenses" and "B.IV.2. Deferred revenues" in accordance with the National Accounting Council's Interpretation I-43 and I-47.

I.7. Accruals

The organisation accounts for deferred expenses. Through deferred costs, it accrues costs that are related to subsequent periods.

Deferred income is used mainly for the accrual of subsidies from the state budget, which is described in more details in section I.8.3 Received subsidies.

I.8. Funds and equity

In accordance with accounting regulations, the funds are accounted for as follows:

- public collections, which were announced in accordance with Act No. 117/2001 Coll.,
- and resources received by the company from other persons and companies for the purpose of fulfilling the main mission of the company free of charge: subsidies, donations, tied donations (grants).

In the equity accounts, the company accounts for assets acquired from subsidies, grants, donated assets and materials. The balance also includes economic results up to 2003.

I.8.1 Public collection

Within the statement position Own resources in item "A.I.2. Funds", the organisation captures (an analytical distinction according to individual collections within the 911 accounts) resources obtained from public collections. On an ongoing basis, the organisation accounts for the use of the proceeds by double entry to the debit of the public collection fund to the credit of the item in the profit and loss statement "B.IV.9. Settlement of funds" in the case of material consideration for any service provided. In the case of the disposal of a public collection as a financial consideration to another party, the debit to the fund is recorded in the balance sheet against the debit of monetary funds. The reported balance of the public collection fund corresponds to the unused amount from the public collection intended for further use, i.e., the balance of the collection bank account as at the balance sheet date. Any differences between the balance of the collection bank account and the reported balance of the public collection fund are explained in point II. Additional data to the statements.



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I.8.2 Donation received

Received individual donations are accounted for by the organisation on the date of receipt to the credit of the item "A.I.2. Funds" and to the debit of asset items "B.III.1. Cash in hand" or "B.III.3. Cash at bank". The organisation accounts for the use of donations from the fund by double-entry to the debit of the fund and to the benefit of an item in the income statement "B.IV.9. Fund settlement" (financial, non-financial). The reported balance of the individual donation fund corresponds to the amount of unused donations.

I.8.3 Received subsidies

Received subsidies are funds provided from public sources, i.e., mainly from the state budget, from the budgets of local governments, from the sources of state budgets of foreign states and other foreign providers. The organisation accounts for funds from public sources within the Czech Republic when taking a decision in the asset item "B.II.12. Grants receivable and other payments from the state budget" and in the profit and loss statement "B.I.1. Operational grants". In the case of a multi-annual subsidy, the amount corresponding to the unused subsidy in the given year is deferred by the liability account in item "B.IV.2. Deferred revenues". In the event of the grant funds are not exhausted, a liability is reported under liability item "B.III.12. Payables to state budget" in the amount of its unused part.

Funds from public sources from abroad are recorded by the organisation at the moment of their receipt to the credit of item "A.I.2. Funds" and to income under item "B.IV.9. Settlement of funds" are charged at the time the costs are incurred. If the costs incurred are higher than the money in the fund, the organisation accounts for a receivable from a foreign donor under item "B.II.17. Other receivables" up to the amount of the subsidy according to the decision on the given subsidy and its non-financed part.

I.8.4 Fixed assets acquired free of charge

In equity under "A.I.1. Equity", the organisation records the sources of the acquisition of fixed assets acquired free of charge intended for use for the main activities. This value is dissolved at the same time as the depreciation of these assets and is shown in the profit and loss statement in item "B.IV.9. Settlement of funds".

I.9. Income tax

The organisation is a public benefit taxpayer in accordance with Section 17a of Act No. 586/1992 Coll., on Income Taxes, as later amended (hereinafter referred to as the ITA). The organisation applies the exemption of gifts pursuant to Section 19b paragraph 2 b) of the ITA whenever possible.

I.10. Error corrections and changes in accounting methods

There was no change in accounting methods in 2023.



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II. Additional information to the statements

II.1. Fixed assets

Fixed assets – acquisition price – assets A. I. to A. III.

	Balance as at 31.12.2022	Increase	Decrease				Reposting	Balance as at 31.12.2023
			Disposal	Sale	Defects/Damages	Donation		
Intangible assets	1 613	-	--	--	--	--	--	1 613
Software	1 613	-	--	--	--	--	--	1 613
Tangible assets	110 655	913	-	--	--	1 081	43	110 444
Land	19 502	--	--	--	--	--	--	19 502
Buildings	87 444	--	--	--	--	--	--	87 444
Cars	2 089	-	--	--	--	409	--	1 680
Tangible movables and their sets	1 620	--	-	--	--	--	43*	1 577
Incomplete fixed assets	--	913	--	--	--	672	--	241

*Reclassified to operating records due to low purchase price for recording on fixed assets

Fixed assets – depreciation – assets A. IV.

	Balance as at 31.12.2022	Increase	Decrease				Reposting	Balance as at 31.12.2023
			Disposal	Sale	Defects/Damages	Donations		
Intangible assets	1 613	--	--	--	--	--	--	1 613
Software	1 613	--	--	--	--	--	--	1 613
Tangible assets	37 309	1 464	--	--	--	409	43	38 321
Land	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	0
Buildings	34 833	1 155	--	--	--	--	--	35 988
Cars	985	269	--	--	--	409	--	845
Tangible movables and their sets	1 491	40	--	--	--	--	43*	1 488
Incomplete fixed assets	0	--	--	--	--	--	--	0



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Fixed assets – Net book value

	Balance as at 31.12.2022	Balance as at 31.12.2023
Intangible assets	0	0
Software	0	0
Tangible assets	73 346	72 123
Land	19 502	19 502
Buildings	52 611	51 456
Cars	1 104	835
Tangible assets and their sets	129	89
Incomplete fixed assets	0	241

II.2. Shares, participation certificates, bonds, stocks

The organisation records the following equity securities held for trading under a balance sheet item "B.III.4. Equity securities held for trading":

ISIN	NAME	VALUE in CZK	NUMBER of PCS	TOTAL in CZK as at 31 December 2023
CZ0005112300	ČEZ	100,00	235	23 500,00
CS0008438560	Cukrárna Karlín	1 000,00	9	9 000,00
CS0008425153	Lázně Poděbrady	1 000,00	6	6 000,00
CS0008420857	Michelské Pekárny	19,00	32	608,00
CS0005021351	Tesla Karlín	680,00	19	12 920,00
Total				52 028,00

II.3. Overdue debts due to taxes, social or health insurance

The organisation does not record such debts.

II.4. Long-term liabilities

The organisation does not record any long-term liabilities with a maturity of more than 1 year from the balance sheet date.

II.5. Off-balance sheet assets

The organization does not record any assets not listed on the balance sheet.

II.6. Off-balance sheet liabilities

The organization does not record any liabilities that are not recognized in the balance sheet at the balance sheet date.



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II.7. Personnel expenses

Average (recalculated) number of employees

Average number of employees in 2023	Average number of employees in 2022
73,61	62,68

of which members of the governing bodies

Average number of managers in 2023	Average number of managers in 2022
6	6

Personnel costs for employees

	2023 (in TCZK)	2022 (in TCZK)
Labour costs	38 913	33 203
Statutory insurance	12 590	10 706
Other social insurance	0	0
Statutory social costs	1 444	985
Other social costs	592	0

The members of the governing bodies were provided with remuneration in the total amount of TCZK 57,6, no functional benefits were provided, nor were they provided with any loans, credit, security or other benefits. The members of the bodies have no participation in the entities with which the organisation entered into contractual relations in 2023.

II.8. Remuneration received by the statutory auditor

Remuneration to the auditor for the audit of the financial statements is provided in accordance with the concluded contract on audit services in the amount of TCZK 89 without VAT.

II.9. Pledges and guarantees

The assets of the organisation are not encumbered by any lien. The organisation did not provide or accept any guarantees.



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II.10. Own resources

A brief overview of the development of own resources is presented in the following table:

	Initial balance as at 31.12.2022	Movements +/-	Transfers	Corrections	Balance as at 31.12.2023
A. Own resources	313 278	-8 079	0	0	305 199
A.I.1. Equity	37 305	-407	0	0	36 898
Allocation of depreciation from operating activities to income	--	-669	--	--	--
Material donations		21			
Unfinished technical evaluation		241			
A.I.2. Funds	229 018	-6 415	--	0	222 603
Drawing / allocation to funds	--	-6 415	--	--	--
Dissolution of the reproduction fund	--	--	--	--	--
A.I.3 Valuation differences from revaluation of financial assets and liabilities	-223	--	--	--	-223
A.II.1. Profit and loss account	-678	-1 257	678	--	-1 257
A.II.3. Retained earnings, accumulated losses	47 856	0	-678		47 178
Dissolution of the reproduction fund	--	--	--	--	--

II.10.1 Equity

The value of equity consists of the reproduction price of fixed assets acquired free of charge and used for the main activity.

Name of the property	Net book value as at 31.12.2023 in TCZK	Net book value as at 31.12.2022 in TCZK
Vladislavova land	15 375	15 375
Tuněchody land	1	1
Vladislavova 12 building	21 157	21 826
Material donations	124	103
Unfinished technical evaluation	241	0
Total	36 898	37 305

II.10.2 Funds

	Initial balance as at 1.1. 2023	Increase - funds received, donations	Reduction - drawing, providing gifts	Return of unspent funds / correction	Receivables from the donor	Balance as at 31.12.2023
Total funds	229 018	374 281	392 496	0	11 800	222 603
Public collection	142 141	218 687	211 620	0	0	149 208
Subsidies from the EU and foreign governments	23 721	96 804	103 410	0	3 009	20 124
Other funds	63 155	58 791	77 466	0	8 791	53 271



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II.11. Subsidies received

In 2023, subsidies were received and drawn on from providers in the Czech Republic and abroad. The overviews below quantify the amount of subsidies drawn from individual providers for 2023.

Foreign subsidies for multi-year projects are charged to funds and gradually drawn according to actual costs into revenues (reflected in the table of Providers from Abroad).

Provider (Czech Republic)	Amount in TCZK
Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic	98
Czech Development Agency	40 659
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic	41 615
Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic	4 694
Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic	2 951
Prague City Hall	5 777
Consortium of Non-Governmental Organisations	905
Total	96 697

Other providers (Czech Republic)	Amount in TCZK
People in Need o.p.s.	546
Mendel University in Brno	200
Centre for the Development of Mental Health Care	2 641
Diakonia DECCB – Centre for Humanitarian and Development Cooperation	38
Celkem	3 425

Provider (abroad)	Amount in TCZK
EC	13 475
UN - OCHA	27 611
UN - UNHCR	14 548
UN - WFP	2 308
UN - UNICEF	13 450
UNICEF Georgia	4 124
UN - UNDP	20 755
UNFPA - United Nations Population Fund	424
ECHO - European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations	9 580
Caritas Internationalis	9 327
Caritas Europa	5 555
Trócaire Head Office, Maynooth, Co. Kildare	3 566
SCCF Séjours Catholique - Caritas France	2 180
Catholic Bishops Conference of Japan	1 180
DEUTSCHER CARITASVERBAND	4 032



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Caritas Española	1 776
Caritas Portugal	119
BoH - Bridge of Hope	54
Financial Sector Deepening Zambia (FSDZ)	2 437
US Embassy in Lusaka	280
SK Sosna, o.z.	1 153
Australian Volunteers International	149
Mongolian Academy of Science	26
CENN - Caucasus Environmental NGO Network	78
The National Agency for the Development of Youth Work and Youth Activity	621
STOREPAY LLC	3
Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic	12 836
Condivisione fra i Popoli (CIP)	4 142
Total	155 789

II.12. Donations received

In 2023, the following donations were received (individually listed significant donations in excess of 500 TCZK). Individual donations from private donors worth more than TCZK 50 are listed in the aggregate amount. These and other donations are drawn for a given purpose in the form of a settlement of public collections and funds in a total amount. In total, donated funds in the amount of TCZK 57 289 were used.

Donations received - donor	Amount in TCZK
E.ON	4 624
Česká Biskupská konference	4 392
T-Mobile Czech Republic a. s.	2 360
DM drogerie	2 000
Hlavní město Praha	1 500
Moravskoslezský kraj	1 000
OK Systém, a. s.	1 000
Kraj Vysočina	1 000
Arcibiskupství olomoucké	677
Charities Aid Foundation	521
Nestlé Česko s. r. o.	513
Private donations over TCZK 50	3 010

II.13. Donations provided

During the accounting period, the organisation provided donations to several natural persons for support in accordance with the mission of the Military Solidarity Fund, which is part of a public collection for the Czech Republic. The Military Solidarity Fund publishes information in a separate annual report. Other donations are related to the purpose of drawing public collections.



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II.14. Public collections

In 2023, the organisation was licensed to hold these public collections:

THREE KINGS COLLECTION

Negotiation number and date of decision: ref. S-MHMP/ 1327710/2012, 1340351/2012 of 15. 10. 2012

Collection account number: 66008822/0800

Person authorised to act in the matter of the collection: Mgr. Jakub Lička

Date of the beginning of the collection: 1.12.2012

Collection end date: indefinite

Purpose of the collection

The provision of charitable care in the Czech Republic in the social and health field, support for sustainable development and the development of a civil society, support for the construction, modernisation and operation of charity nursing and care centres, crisis humanitarian aid in the Czech Republic and abroad, coordination, methodological support within charity networks, educational activities and the promotion of charitable work.

Revenue of the collection in 2023 in TCZK

Gross proceeds of the collection: 164 415

Net proceeds of the collection: 156 744

Net yield for use including the net yield from previous years:

171 724

Used in 2023: 159 308

For further use: 12 415

The amount for further use is deposited in a collection account and recorded in a special fund in the organisation's own resources.

FOREIGN HUMANITARIAN COLLECTION

Negotiation number and date of decision: ref. S-MHMP/ 1483969/2012,1485728/2012 of 16. 11. 2012

Collection account number: 55660022/0800

Person authorised to act in the matter of the collection: Mgr. Jakub Lička

Date of the beginning of the collection: 1.12.2012

Collection end date: indefinite

Purpose of the collection

The preparation, development and implementation of projects in the field of social care, health, education and training abroad, development of cooperation to support renewable livelihoods and business, providing emergency humanitarian aid in areas affected by natural disasters, military conflicts, ensuring the operation of permanent foreign missions in affected areas.



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Revenue of the collection
in 2023 in TCZK

Gross proceeds of the collection:	39 658
Net proceeds of the collection:	38 684
Net yield for use including the net yield from previous years:	132 715
Used in 2023:	35 885
For further use:	96 830

The amount for further use is deposited in a collection account and recorded in a special fund in the organisation's own resources.

COLLECTION FOR THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Negotiation number and date of decision: ref. S-MHMP/ 819810/2012, 846629/2012 of 20. 8. 2013

Collection account number: 44665522/0800

Person authorised to act in the matter of the collection: Mgr. Jakub Lička

Date of the beginning of the collection: 1.10.2012

Collection end date: indefinite

Purpose of the collection

Providing assistance to people in need, difficult life situations, seriously ill, people without a home or without a roof, abandoned people, children and mothers with children, the elderly, target groups in the Czech Republic who have found themselves in need due to health, social causes or the impact of life disasters. The Solidarity Military Fund is part of the public collection, established to support professional soldiers, their families and survivors who find themselves in need.

Revenue of the collection in 2023 in TCZK

Gross proceeds of the collection:	20 384
Net proceeds of the collection:	19 781
Net yield for use including the net yield from previous years:	60 996
Used in 2023:	16 856
For further use:	44 140

The amount for further use is deposited in a collection account and recorded in a special fund in the organisation's own resources. The proceeds of public collections and their use are always recorded in accordance with the accounts of the given public collection at the end of the decisive period for drawing.

Description of the difference between the state of funds and the state of financial resources

The difference between the state of Three kings collection and the state of financial resources as at 31 December 2023 is TCZK 790. This difference is the amount of funds intended to cover costs in 2023, where the physical drawdown from the bank account was not made until the next accounting period.



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The difference between the state of the public collection fund for the Czech Republic and the state of financial resources as at 31 December 2023 is TCZK 53. This difference represents the amount of funds that were not withdrawn from the collection account in the accounting period.

The difference between the fund balance for the Humanitarian Collection and the state of financial resources as at 31 December 2023 is TCZK 5 715. The difference is made up of funds used to pre-finance overseas humanitarian and development activities in 2023, which will be returned to the funds collection account during the next accounting period.

II.15. Description of other asset items

Item designation	Item name	Significant amount in TCZK	Description
B.II.4.	Operational deposits given	1 023	Pražská plynárenská, a. s.
B.II.4.	Operational deposits given	1 430	Omnia sport, s. r. o.
B.II.5.	Other receivables	419	Booking.com
B.II.12.	Grants receivable and other payments from the state budget	1 122	Prague City Hall Multiannual project GRV05
B.II.17.	Other receivables	9 234	Receivables from donors - projects in Iraq
B.II.17.	Other receivables	1 852	Receivables from donors - projects in Mongolia
B.II.17.	Other receivables	523	Receivables from donors - projects in Georgia
B.III.8.	Money in transit	304	Funds transferred to the mission in Iraq. The transfer was not completed by the end of 2023 and the funds were returned in early 2024.

Item designation	Item name	Significant amount in TCZK	Description
B.IV.1.	Prepaid expenses	2 320	Accrued costs – project EA11
B.IV.1.	Prepaid expenses	1 210	Accrued costs – project GE63
B.IV.1.	Prepaid expenses	3 169	Accrued costs – project MN20
B.IV.1.	Prepaid expenses	8 706	Accrued costs – project UA05
B.IV.1.	Prepaid expenses	473	Accrued costs – project ZM39



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II.16. Description of other
liability items

Item designation	Item name	Significant amount in TCZK	Description
B.III.1.	Suppliers	2 809	partner invoicing projects SY
B.III.1.	Suppliers	452	partner invoicing projects EA11
B.III.3.	Advances received	3 284	cofinance projects in Mongolia
B.III.12.	Payables to state budget	896	repayment of under-spent ČRA subsidies
B.III.12.	Payables to state budget	785	repayment of under-spent MZV subsidies

Item designation	Item name	Significant amount in TCZK	Description
B.IV.2.	Deferred revenues	743	Accrued multi-year subsidy from Open Society Fund Prague for a project GRV08
B.IV.2.	Deferred revenues	1 611	Accrued multi-year subsidy from the Prague City Hall for a project GRV05

II.17. Description of the most significant items in the income statement

Item designation	Item name	Significant amount in TCZK	Description
A.I.6	Other service	135 082	Services of partner organisations on implemented projects, services on foreign projects
A.I.1	Consumption of material, energy and other non-storable supplies	12 120	Purchase of materials and energies for projects implemented in the Czech Republic and abroad

II.18. Profit or loss and income tax

The profit for 2022 was transferred to retained earnings of previous years.

In 2023, the organisation reports a loss of TCZK 1 257.

The income tax base before the reduction of the tax base according to Section 20 (7) of the ITA in the amount of TCZK 1 596 was determined as follows:

In 2023, expenditures on the main activity were higher than revenues from the main activity. The economic activity was taxed. Furthermore, the tax base was reduced by TCZK 479 according to Section 20 (7) of the ITA. The resulting tax was reduced by a tax credit pursuant to Section 35 (1) of the ITA in the amount of TCZK 45. The tax liability for the 2023 tax period on corporate income tax is TCZK 167.



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II.19. Significant events
between the balance sheet date of financial statements

There were no significant events between the balance sheet date and the time of preparation of the financial statements.

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