

INTRODUCTION

FOREWORD BY THE PRESIDENT



*In his book *A New Beginning: Sideways Look at the Spiritual Life* the English author David Torkington writes that in ancient Athens they had a unique form of public service. Every citizen would once in their lifetime receive the chance to finance an important public project. After paying for it he was then exempt from other public financial costs. This act of public service was called the “liturgy”. When the first Greek Christians learned of everything that Jesus had done for us, and still does, they said that this was the greatest “liturgy” that anyone had ever undertaken anywhere for the good of all mankind. When they asked what they should do to imitate Christ in this love for people they were told to receive into their hearts the Spirit which also filled Jesus so that they could do good. To have God’s love in their heart and use it to love other people.*

During the Second World War there was a parish church in England which during an enemy bombardment was almost razed to the ground. All that remained was the wall behind the main altar, and upon it a cross with the crucified Christ, who was without arms or legs. When the church was rebuilt after the war the priest refused to have the cross repaired. When he came to consecrate the renovated church he told parishioners that Christ’s body would remain on the cross without arms and legs as a constant reminder that now they must become Christ’s arms and legs so they could grasp His message and deliver it to the world, which Christ wants to serve through them. This will be our liturgy of love for today’s society. We won’t find a greater public service.

I would like to thank all of you who undertake this public service of love in all Caritas organizational branches, both in the Czech Republic and abroad, as employees or volunteers; and also those of you who play an active part in the Three Kings Collection or through their donations contribute to charitable work. I wish all of you joy and peace of heart. May the kind God grant you rich reward for your good deeds!

*Mons. Josef Šich
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a) CARITAS Czech Republic – umbrella organization and representative body of the Caritas network

STATUS AND ACTIVITIES

Caritas Czech Republic is

- a legal person under the Code of Canon Law (canon 312, 313). It is a department of the Roman Catholic Church. The found of Caritas Czech Republic is the Czech Episcopal Conference. Caritas Czech Republic is split into eight dioceses, mirroring the territorial administration of the Church.
- the largest nongovernmental provider of social and health services in the Czech Republic.

Caritas Czech Republic's core activity is to help the needy in the Czech Republic.

It is also making an increasing contribution to international humanitarian aid and development assistance.

Integration in the international network

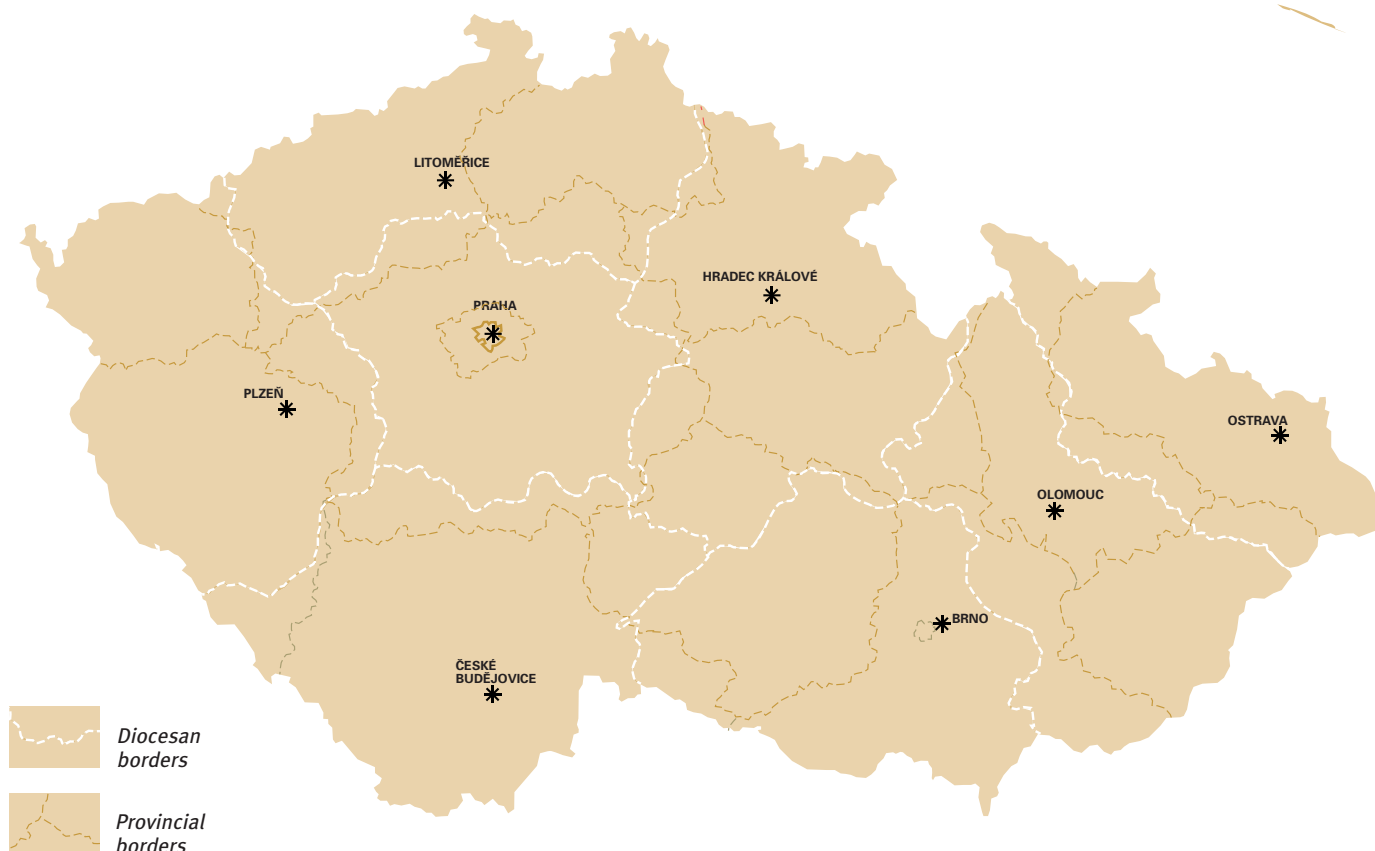
Caritas Czech Republic provides foreign aid through its humanitarian aid and development assistance unit, as well as via individual archdiocesan and diocesan charities. This aid is mainly coordinated with foreign charity partners brought together in the international network **Caritas Internationalis (CI)**. This network is one of the largest and most powerful in the world; it has enabled Caritas Czech Republic to find reliable partners in other countries. Caritas Internationalis offers facilities,

experience, and the possibility of coordinating aid. As a result, Caritas Czech Republic is in a position to provide help even in those countries where it does not have its own mission or projects. In the field of foreign aid, Caritas Czech Republic also works in tandem with foreign and Czech nongovernmental organizations and institutions. Caritas Czech Republic is also a member of **Caritas Europe (CE)**, the European network of national Caritas organizations.

ABBREVIATIONS

DCH	– Diocesan Caritas
ESF	– European Social Fund
FCH	– Parish Caritas
CH	– Caritas
IAS	– Integration Asylum Centre (for recognized refugees, operated by the Refugee Facility Administration of the MoI)
MHMP	– Prague City Hall
MCH	– Municipal charity
MKC	– Multicultural centre
MoLSA	– Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic
MoI	– Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic
OCH	– District Caritas
HRDOP	– Human Resources Development Operational Programme (European Social Fund)
PrS	– Reception centre (for asylum seekers, operated by the Refugee Facility Administration of the MoI)
PoS	– Asylum residence centre (for asylum seekers, operated by the Refugee Facility Administration of the MoI)
JROP	– Joint Regional Operational Programme (an EU fund)
SUZ MoI	– Refugee Facility Administration of the Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic
ZZC	– Detention facility for foreigners (for illegal immigrants and foreign nationals without documents, operated by the Refugee Facility Administration of the MoI)
CCCA	– Czech Catholic Caritas Association (after 1. 1. 2007 called Caritas Czech Republic)
CCR	– Caritas Czech Republic

b) CARITAS Czech Republic – organizational structure of the Caritas network



Caritas Czech Republic is split into eight dioceses, mirroring the territorial administration of the Church.

The organizational structure copies the geographical breakdown of the Roman Catholic Church. Caritas Czech Republic's members comprise six diocesan charitases (DCH Brno, České Budějovice, Hradec Králové, Litoměřice, Plzeň and Ostrava-Opava) and two Archdiocesan charitases (ACH Olomouc and Prague). The ninth member is the Czech Catholic Caritas –

Homes for Priests and Nuns. All nine members of the association have their own legal personality. Each ACH/DCH is headed by a director; the president – a priest – takes care of the spiritual life of caritas workers.

The delegation of powers and method of governance at the district (OCH) and parish (FCH) charitases varies in the different dioceses and archdioceses.

The municipal charitases (MCH) in larger towns are equal to district charitases. Caritas Czech Republic operates more than 200 caritas homes, advice centres and help centres through 350 parish, district, municipal and diocesan charitases.

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CARITAS CZECH REPUBLIC – HOMES FOR CLERGYMEN AND NUNS



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Parish Caritas: Boršov nad Vltavou, Český Krumlov, Hartmanice, Jindřichův Hradec, Kájov, Kamenice nad Lipou, Katovice, Lažišť, Lštění u Vimperka, Malenice, Milevsko, Netolice, Nová Bystřice, Pacov, Počátky, Prachatice, Protivín, Rožmitál pod Třemšínem, Tábor, Týn nad Vltavou, Velešín, Veselíčko, Vlachovo Březí, Volary, Vyšší Brod, Železná Ruda.

Diocesan Caritas České Budějovice – Centre Veselí nad Lužnicí Dům sv. Františka.

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Parish Caritas: Dolní Újezd u Litomyšle, Dvůr Králové nad Labem, Hlinsko v Čechách, Hostinné, Chrudim, Litomyšl, Náchod, Neratov, Nové Hrady u Skutče, Charita Přelouč, Rychnov nad Kněžnou, Studenec u Horek, Třebechovice pod Orebem.

DIOCESAN CARITAS IN LITOMĚŘICE



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Parish Caritas: Česká Lípa, Děčín, Jablonec nad Nisou, Jirkov, Libochovice, Litoměřice, Lovosice, Mladá Boleslav, Rumburk, Vratislavice, Žatec.

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Caritas without legal personality: Bohuňovice, Brumov-Bylnice, Dub nad Moravou, Fryšták, Heřmanice u Polomi, Horní Lhota, Hulín, Chropyně, Jalubí, Jevíčko, Kostelec u Kyjova, Koryčany, Krumsín, Trnava u Zlína, Určice, Velká Bystřice, Velké Opatovice, Vizovice, Vnorovy, Všechnovice, Všemina.

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Volunteer Caritas: Bílovec, Bruntál, Brušperk, Frýdlant nad Ostravicí, Hukvaldy, Jeseník, Karviná, Orlová, Slavkov u Opavy, Šenov u Ostravy.

DIOCESAN CARITAS IN PILSEN



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u Panny Marie Růžencové, Severní předměstí).

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Parish Caritas not registered: Benešov, Brandýs nad Labem, Český Brod, Kladno, Praha 2-Nové Město (sv. Ignác), Praha 2-Vinohrady (sv. Ludmila), Praha 4-Braník (sv. Prokop), Praha 6-Liboc (sv. Fabián a Šebestián), Praha 8-Karlín (sv. Cyril a Metoděj), Praha 10-Vršovice (sv. Václav a Mikuláš).

*) **Neratovice Parish Caritas brandes:** CHOPS Neratovice, DPS Libiš + CHPS, DPS Obříství + care centre a CHOPS, CHOPS Čelákovice, DPS Praha Kbely + CHOPS, DPS Černošce + care centre a CHOPS, CHOPS Praha-Klánovice, CHOPS Kostelec nad Labem, CHOS Kralupy nad Vltavou, CHOS Mělník, CHOS Říčany.

Updated as of 31. May 2008.

II. The Caritas Czech Republic SECRETARIAT



*Caritas Czech Republic office
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- is the Caritas network's national head office in the Czech Republic and the registered office of the organisation's statutory representative – the director of the Caritas Czech Republic
- provides a service for all Caritas branches and Caritas facilities engaged in social help and care and health matters
- ensures cooperation with Ministries in opposing and formulating social services proposals
- helps formulate legislation and takes part in committee work at the Czech Ministry of Health and the Czech Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs
- participates in the preparation, evaluation and especially in the media coverage of national Caritas events, above all the Three Kings' Money Collection
- administers the St. Agnes central collection account (22770022/0800)

and the Three Kings' Money Collection account (33001122/0800)

- is a partner of the national Caritas branches in Europe and the world
- cooperates with the Caritas Europa head office in Brussels and with the Caritas Internationalis head office in Rome
- coordinates humanitarian aid abroad and for foreigners in distress living in the Czech Republic

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Press department: Mgr. Gabriela Naušová (from 2 April 2007), Ing. Jan Oulík, Dagmar Volencová (until 30 June 2007)

Department for humanitarian and development aid: Mgr. Petra Binderová (from 1 August 2007), Ing. Tomáš Butkai (from 1 March 2007 to 26 March

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Administrator of the St. Agnes and Three Kings' Money Collection Accounts: Eva Albrechtová (to 30 September 2007), Ing. Irena Němcová (from 1 October 2007)

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Situation as of 30 April 2008

CARITAS CZECH REPUBLIC'S MEDIA PRESENTATION

The media is the public's prime source of information for the Caritas network's activities and the work of the Caritas

Czech Republic's Secretariat. The press department disseminates press releases via agencies and directly to press and electronic media editorial boards.

The staff of diocesan Caritas branches also issue their own press releases. They organise press conferences for major events and maintain close contact with regional media. Caritas staff have provided the media with many interviews.

The press department

In cooperation with other departments prepared:

- the annual report on the activities of Czech Catholic Caritas Association (as Caritas Czech Republic was called up to 31 December 2006) for 2006
- a news supplement on the use of the 2007 Three King Collection in the 26th number of the Respekt weekly
- texts (stories about Caritas clients) for the 2008 Carmelite calendar

Also cooperates in

- creating the www.charita.cz and www.trikralovasbirka.cz websites. Websites for individual diocesan Caritas branches (links on www.charita.cz) are created by the relevant diocesan staff (links on www.charita.cz)
- issuing the bi-monthly Caritas (published six times a year as a four-page supplement to the Catholic Weekly; since number 6/2007 this has been prepared by an external collaborator)

The diocesan centres periodically issue their own news and information bulletins.

MEDIA CAMPAIGNS

The biggest media campaign is traditionally that surrounding the Three Kings' Money Collection (you can read more about the Collection in chapter IV of this Annual Report). The campaign is supported by advertisements on Czech TV, Czech Radio and in several regional electronic media, press ads, press releases, an up-to-date information service on the website, distribution of flyers etc...

Caritas organises other media campaigns with the support of its general partner, the Česká spořitelna Foundation. The campaigns are backed by ads in selected publications, regional press conferences and articles in the media.

In 2007, the ČS Foundation provided its traditional financial support for eight Caritas projects. These are designed to help groups at risk in society – for the elderly and families facing social exclusion. In 2007 the following projects were supported:

- Home for mothers with children – Znojmo Regional Caritas (Brno diocese)
 - Kaplice Caritas care service (České Budějovice diocese)
 - Caritas care service Litoměřice (Litoměřice diocese)
 - Asylum house for mothers and families with children in Prague- Hlubočepy (Prague Arch-diocese)
 - Integration centre with residential, respite and hospice care in Čechy pod Kosířem (Olomouc Arch-diocese)
 - Home for peaceful old age in Rokycany (Pilsen diocese)
 - Home for mothers with children in Hradec Králové (Hradec Králové diocese)-
- “Oasis of Rest” social care institute for the mentally ill, Frýdek-Místek (Ostrava-Opava diocese)

Other events in 2007

Staff from the press department

- together with a graphic artist prepared designs for the **organisation's new logo** and a manual on how to use the new logo; following its approval by the Caritas Czech Republic's board of directors they arranged for stickers to be printed bearing the new logo. On 12 October they placed a brass sign with the logo on the building of the Caritas Czech Republic Secretariat
- cooperated on the campaign **Caritas for Peru** (the country experienced a major earthquake on 15 August); Caritas Czech Republic donated USD 4,000 (approximately 80,000 Czech crowns) from its crisis fund to its partner organisation Cáritas del Perú and announced a public collection for funds
- on 14 and 15 October took part in the campaign Czech Republic against Poverty in Olomouc
- on 28 October took part in the 1st Ecumenical Meeting on the Říp Mountain (Prayer for the Home)
- in 2007 prepared a Composed Evening in the Garden Cultural Centre in Prague 4-Chodov with question and answer session on humanitarian and development cooperation in the world.

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Cleaner: Monika Fertálová

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Situation as at 30 April 2008

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The Caritas Czech Republic Institute of Education (hereinafter CCR IE) was founded in 1999 as a project supported by the German Caritas Association (GCA). At the end of 2001 it moved to a reconstructed building at Máchová street 7 in Prague 2 – Vinohrady.

The Máchová street building not only houses lecture rooms and classrooms where Caritas staff from all the dioceses meet at conferences and in colleges but also provides lodging for Caritas staff and the public.

Detached premises for the Charles University Humanities Faculty, offering a Masters in Management and Supervision in Social and Health Organisations also have its registered office in the CCR IE building.

In 2001, the Masters subject Management and Supervision in Social and Health Organisations (www.fhs.cuni.cz/supevrize) was accredited under the Social Policy and Social Work programme at the Charles University Humanities Faculty (CU HF). In 2005 the Masters programme, which originally had a term of three years, was re-accredited with validity until 2015 and shortened to two years in line with the Bologna Declaration. The Masters subject is designed to prepare middle and top managers and supervisors for the provision of health and social services, an area which faces continual changes worldwide. At present, advanced economies in particular have to meet the challenge of a rapidly ageing population, greater public sensitivity to matters of personal dignity and human rights, dwindling funds from national budgets, increasing demands for quality and efficiency in the services provided and demands for responsibility and transparency on the part of providers. The programme supports the employment of

workers from non-medical and so-called ancillary care professions in management and supervision and the effective cooperation between health and social sectors. For the time being this makes the programme unique in the Czech Republic. Studies are pursued in full-time and part-time form; students can choose from two fields – Management and Supervision. In the 2007/2008 school year a total of 109 students are enrolled at the Faculty, of which 20 are supervisors and 89 managers; the Faculty already has more than 80 graduates. From the 2007/2008 school year the Faculty is also organising the three-year certified course *Supervision in Ancillary Care Professions*, which currently has 6 students.

Studies follow a course-unit teaching system. Students have the use of a library with professional literature and magazines, as well as top-quality e-mail communication between students and the Faculty. Savings in time and paper are made possible by using the Internet server, which provides access to all kinds of study documents and materials.

For CU HF students the CCR IE provides not only teaching premises but also accommodation. A computer classroom and modern technology are also available..

III. SOCIAL AND HEALTH-CARE SERVICES



We provide all kinds of social services to our clients, such as:

- a) Social counselling
- b) Social care services
- c) Social prevention services

Types of social services provided

Social services are provided as **residence, ambulance** or **field** services..

Residence services involve accommodation in social services facilities.

Ambulance services are services which a person visits, or the person is accompanied to social services facilities; the service does not include accommodation..

Field services are services that are provided to people in their natural social environment.

ad a) Social counselling includes:

Basic social counselling – provides clients with the information they need to solve their unfavourable social situation.

Professional social counselling – provided according to the needs of people in civil counselling, partnership and family counselling, counselling for seniors, counselling for disabled people, counselling for victims of crime and domestic violence; it also covers social work with people whose lifestyle may lead to conflicts with society.

From birth to its natural conclusion human life passes through many stages when we are left to depend on the help of others. Whether brief or protracted, for everyone these are difficult periods of physical, mental and spiritual distress and crisis. In such situations a professional, human, helping hand offered in warmth can often mean the only chance of returning to normal life and regaining belief in one's own strength and capacities.

It is precisely in these difficult situations that Caritas Czech Republic can help people by offering social services, of which it is the largest non-governmental provider in the Czech Republic. The services are provided nationwide to fellow citizens from infancy to old age in facilities run by eight diocesan Caritases.

A. Social and health-care services

(defined by the Act on Social Services No. 108/2006 Coll. and related legislation)

Number of facilities (advisory offices)	75
Number of clients	21 366

ad. b) Social care services

These help people to rediscover their physical and mental independence so as to allow them, as far as possible, to lead a normal life in society. If their condition makes this impossible then it aims to ensure that they are treated with dignity in a dignified environment.

Personal assistance – Field service provided to people who are less able to care for themselves due to age, chronic

illness or disability and therefore need the assistance of a nurse. The service is provided without time limitation, in a natural social environment and with the range of activities that the person needs.

Number of centres	38
Number of clients	964

Caritas care and health services (CHOPS)

Number of CHOPS centres	72
Number of charity care service (CHOS) centres	8
number of charity care service (CHPS) centres	31

Health care services – Home health care is a professional health care service usually provided by nurses according to the instructions of a doctor. Costs are met by public health insurance.

Number of nurses	638
Number of clients	22 403
Number of visits	1 048 525

Care services – The field service is provided for people who are unable to care for themselves due to age, chronic illness or disability, and for families and children whose situation requires assistance from a nurse.

Number of nurses	767
Number of clients	15 382
Number of visits ¹	773 370

Emergency care – Field service providing uninterrupted telephone and electronic communication for people facing a high risk of threat to health or life should their condition or capacities suddenly deteriorate.

Number of facilities	2
Number of clients	114

Independent housing support – Field service provided for people who are unable to care for themselves due to disability or chronic illness, including mental illness, and whose situation requires the assistance of a nurse..

Number of facilities	5
Number of clients	22

Relief services – Field, ambulatory or

residential services provided for people who have compromised independence due to age, chronic illness or disability and who are cared for in their home environment; the objective is to allow the regular nurse to rest.

Number of facilities	25
Number of clients	573

Day care centres – Ambulatory services provided for people whose ability to care for themselves is compromised by age, chronic illness or disability and whose situation requires the assistance of a nurse.

Number of centres	22
Number of clients	449

Daily care centres – Ambulatory services provided for people whose ability to care for themselves is compromised by age or disability, and for the chronically mentally ill, whose situation requires regular assistance from a nurse.

Number of daily care centres	36
Number of clients	698

Weekly care centres – Residential services for people who are unable to care for themselves due to age or disability, and for the chronically mentally ill, whose situation requires regular assistance from a nurse.

Number of weekly care centre	6
Number of clients	112
Total capacity	54 places

Homes for people with physical disabilities – Residential services for people who are unable to care for themselves due to physical disability and whose situation requires the regular assistance of a nurse.

Number of homes for people with a physical disability	1
Number of clients	14
Total capacity	14 places

Residential homes for the elderly – Residential services provided for people who are unable to care for themselves because of their age and whose situation requires the regular assistance of a nurse.



Number of homes for the elderly	35
Number of clients	1215
Total capacity	996 places

Residential homes for nuns and clergy of Caritas Czech Republic – Residential services provided for nuns and clergy who are unable to care for themselves due to age and whose situation requires the regular assistance of a nurse.

Number of homes for the elderly	22
Number of clients	743
Total capacity	761 places

Specialised homes – Residential services provided for people who are unable to look after themselves due to chronic mental illness, drug addiction, or Alz-



heimer's disease, old age dementia and other types of dementia and whose situation requires the regular assistance of a nurse. The social services in these facilities are tailored to meet the specific needs of these people.

Number of specialised homes	2
Number of clients	88
Total capacity	86 places

Sheltered housing – Residential service provided for people who are unable to care for themselves due to physical disability or chronic illness, including mental illness, and whose situation requires the assistance of a nurse. Sheltered housing can be either for groups or individuals.

Number of facilities	5
Number of clients	111
Total capacity	121 places

ad. c) Social prevention services

These services aim to prevent the social exclusion of people who are at threat because of a social crisis, whose habits and way of life lead them into conflict with society, who live in a socially disadvantageous environment and are threatened by the criminal activities of others. The social prevention services are designed to help these people overcome their difficult social situations and to protect society from the creation and spread of negative social phenomena.

Early care – Field or ambulatory services provided for children, or the parents of a child up to the age of 7 who is physically handicapped or whose development is in danger due to an unfavourable social situation. The service focuses on supporting the family and the development of the child in view of its specific needs.

Number of centres	5
Number of clients	235

Telephone help line – Field service provided temporarily for people who are in danger of death or injury or in other difficult situations and are unable to solve it without the help of others.

Number of centres	2
Number of contacts	8 303

Asylum houses – Residential services provided temporarily for people in unfavourable social situations caused by the loss of housing.

Number of asylum houses (for couples and for mothers with children in distress in all dioceses)	61
Number of clients	4 118
Total capacity	1854 places

Half-way houses – Residential services provided for people up to the age of 26 who leave detention facilities or orphanages and similar institutions. The social care provided in these facilities is tailored to the specific needs of these people.

Number of facilities	8
Number of clients	111
Total capacity	63 places

Day activity centres – These low-threshold facilities provide ambulatory or field services for people threatened by drug addiction. The service aims to reduce the social and health risks connected with drug addiction.

Number of centres	9
Number of clients	1 807

Crisis help – Field, ambulatory or residential service provided temporarily for people who find themselves in a situation endangering their health or life, and who are unable to solve this situation without help.

Number of facilities	9
Number of clients	1 032

Intervention centre – Field, ambulatory or temporary residential service.. A person at threat of physical violence from someone who has been evicted from a joint dwelling or forbidden to enter it is offered help within 48 hours of a copy of the eviction order being sent to the intervention centre. The intervention centre can also provide help at the request of the person threatened by physical violence from another person living in a joint dwelling, or even without this instigation. Help is provided immediately after the intervention centre learns of the person at

risk. The service organises cooperation and mutual contact between intervention centres, providers of other social services, child protection bodies, municipalities, Czech police departments and local police, as well as other public administration bodies.

Number of intervention centres	3
Number of clients	292

Low-threshold day centres – Ambulatory or field services provided for homeless people.

Number of centres	21
Number of clients	28 607

Low-threshold centres for children and juveniles – Ambulatory or field services provided for children and juveniles between 6 and 26 years of age who are threatened by socially unacceptable behaviour. The service aims to improve the quality of their lives by preventing or reducing the social and health risks connected with their way of life, help them better to come to terms with their social environment and create conditions to solve their unfavourable social situation. The service can be provided anonymously.

Number of facilities	42
Number of clients	52 586

Dormitories – Ambulatory services provided for homeless people who want to use hygiene facilities or need a bed to sleep in.

Number of dormitories	17
Number of clients	11 859

Subsequent care services – Field care services provided for people with chronic mental illness or drug addicts who have undergone or are undergoing medical treatment in a health care institution or ambulatory treatment, or people who are currently abstaining.

Number of centres	1
Number of clients	45

Social activation services for families with children – Field or ambulatory services provided to families with children whose development is threatened by long-term unfavourable social situations which the parents are

unable to overcome without help, and whose development is also threatened by other risks.

Number of centres	19
Number of clients	3 029

Social activation services for the elderly and disabled people – Ambulatory or field services provided to old or disabled people threatened with social exclusion.

Number of centres	23
Number of clients	7 922

Social therapy workshops – Ambulatory services provided for people who are unable to care for themselves due to disability and who are unable to find work on either the open or protected labour market. The objective is to provide regular and long-term support in order to improve their skills and habituate them to work through social therapy.

Number of social therapy workshops	7
Number of clients	211

Therapeutic communities Temporary residential services for drug addicts or people suffering from chronic mental illness who want to integrate into normal life.

Number of therapeutic communities	1
Number of clients	26
Total capacity	12 places

Field programs – Field services provided for people who lead a high-risk lifestyle, or whose lives are put in danger as a result. The service is intended for drug users, the homeless, people living in socially excluded communities and other socially endangered groups. The objective is to seek out these people and minimise the risks of their lifestyle. The service can also be provided anonymously.

Number of centres	15
Number of clients	1 524

Social rehabilitation - This is provided in the form of field or ambulatory services or residential services provided in social rehabilitation service centres.. It involves a set of specific



centres, 1 pre-school club for Roma children

Hradec Králové diocese: 1 protected workshop, 8 maternity centres, 1 free-time centre for children and for parents with children, 4 hire services for medical/compensation/rehabilitation aids, 1 hire service for medical aids for people with Huntington's disease, 2 social clubs

Litoměřice diocese: 1 Jonáš protected workshop, Archa family centre

Olomouc diocese: 12 social clubs, 2 maternity centres, 1 home hospice, 10 hire services for medical aids, 1 transport service on invalid chairs, 3 supported employment agencies, 9 protected workshops, 3 clubs for pensioners, 2 issuing offices for medicines, 1 canteen, 3 charity shops

Ostrava-Opava diocese: 1 boarding house for pensioner, 4 maternity centres, 5 protected workshops and services, 1 Jablunkov civic advisory office, 1 John Paul II Home – Social Integration Centre, 1 field centre for homeless people

Plzeň diocese: 4 crisis and social accommodation facilities, 1 emergency assistance service, 1 maternity centre, 3 groups for adults and children, 1 low threshold club

activities focused on achieving independence and skills for people by developing their specific skills and talents, reinforcing proper habits and training in practical activities necessary for normal life, using alternative methods and utilising the person's skills, potential and abilities.

Number of facilities	17
Number of clients	1716

B. Other social-health services

(derived partly from the Social Services Act No. 108/2006 Coll. and related regulations)

Hospices – Special facility providing accommodation and in-house palliative and symptomatic treatment for the ter-

minally ill, particularly those with oncological, cardiological and neurological diagnoses. Since 2006 the health element of hospice palliative care has been enshrined in Act No. 48/1997 Coll., on public health insurance and a change to certain related acts (Section 22a) special institutional care. As well as providing health care for patients in the terminal stage of their illness, the hospice services also provide a set of social and care services.

Number of facilities	4
Number of clients	1 207
Total capacity	140 beds

Other facilities in the individual dioceses:

Brno diocese: 9 social clubs

České Budějovice diocese: 2 maternity

IV. THE 2007 THREE-KINGS COLLECTION

The Three-Kings Collection, which can be traced back to an old folk custom, is organised by Caritas Czech Republic in January every year across the entire country. It is the largest volunteer event in the Czech Republic. In 2007 the Three-Kings carols were held nationwide for the seventh time, with more than thirteen thousand six hundred carolling groups taking part. The total sum collected was CZK 58,621,678.



ons where the collection is held. At least one-tenth of the proceeds is earmarked every year for humanitarian aid abroad..

The carols are regularly attended by the various Caritas from all over the country, as well as some parishes and even schools. The largest sums are traditionally collected in Moravia, in places where people are very familiar with the work of Caritas...

After the carols are finished the money is officially counted and sent to a single joint account. This account is also used for money which donors send by postal order, bank transfers, in the form of gifts, direct transfers from České spořitelna ATMs, and also money from SMS donations. The SMS donation in the form of DMS KOLEDA for the 2007 Three-Kings Collection was used for the first time in the collection's history.

The joint account money generated from the total collection is distributed according to a pre-approved key:

65 % returns to the places where the money was collected to support local projects

15 % supports diocese Caritas projects

10 % goes to support charity projects for humanitarian and development aid abroad

5 % supports Caritas Czech Republic projects

5 % is earmarked for collection costs

Supported projects

Revenue from the 2007 Three-Kings Collection helped dozens of projects to support people in need.. The following is a selection:

In **the Brno diocese** the collection helped equip the St. Margaret Home

During the collection children and young people dress as the three wise men of the east who, according to Biblical legend, came to hail the newborn Jesus in Bethlehem. In their costumes and accompanied by an adult (the group leader) they set forth to bring good tidings on the streets, in front of stores and at family homes; they wish people a happy new year, sing carols and hand out small gifts. These are usually pocket calendars and a small tube containing bundles of wrapped sugar. Afterwards the carollers ask for a donation to be placed in the sealed collection box. The revenue from the carolling goes mainly to help the sick, handicapped or elderly, mothers with children in distress and other needy people, particularly in the regi-

for mothers with children with two coo-
 kers, a therapeutic swimming pool,
 a computer and new bedding textiles.
 The Třebíč regional charity received
 a contribution to reconstruct the asy-
 lum house for the homeless. The Znoj-
 mo regional charity contributed to the
 curative stay for a sick girl etc...

In the České Budějovice diocese
 support was extended to the St. Eliza-
 beth Home in Veselíčko for mothers
 with children in distress, the care ser-
 vice personal assistance project and
 direct aid for handicapped people and
 the acquisition of compensation aids
 in Pelhřimov, the children's play-
 ground in the St. Dominicus Savius Cari-
 tas home for mothers with children in
 Prachatic and others...

In the Hradec Králové diocese health
 aids were purchased for the St. Joseph
 House in Žireč, equipment was purcha-
 sed and operations supported for the
 low-threshold facility for children in
 Ústí nad Orlicí, health aids and opera-
 tions for the home care centre in Par-
 dubice, equipment and operations for
 the mid-way house in Náchod and
 others.

In the Litoměřice diocese equipment
 was purchased for the mid-way house in
 Česká Kamenice and the
 Agapé I asylum house, the
 Agapé II mid-way house and
 the citizen's advice bureau
 in Teplice; the Feeler
 playroom for children was
 built in the Archa Family
 Centre in Ústí nad Labem
 and others..

**In the Olomouc arch-
 diocese** the money was
 used to reconstruct the
 Boršice old people's
 home near Uherské Hra-
 diště, to purchase com-
 pensation aids for Caritas
 Uherský Brod, for direct
 aid in Veselí nad Moravou
 and in Zlín, for home
 hospice care in Kyjov,
 personal assistance in
 Valašské Meziříčí, for the
 Poniv Olomouc transport
 service for handicapped
 people and others.



In the Ostrava-Opava diocese funds
 were provided to help in the construc-
 tion of the St. Luke Hospice in Ostrava-
 Výškovice, the reconstruction of a for-
 mer school to serve as an old people's
 home in Jablunkov; compensation aids
 were purchased for the Odra Caritas
 and a ceramic oven in the Šimon Javorn-
 nik stationary facility; funds were also
 given to support the aged and the men-
 tally ill in Opava and others..

In the Plzeň diocese the humanitarian
 aid store in Chodov was enlarged, funds
 were given to the beatified Hroznatý old

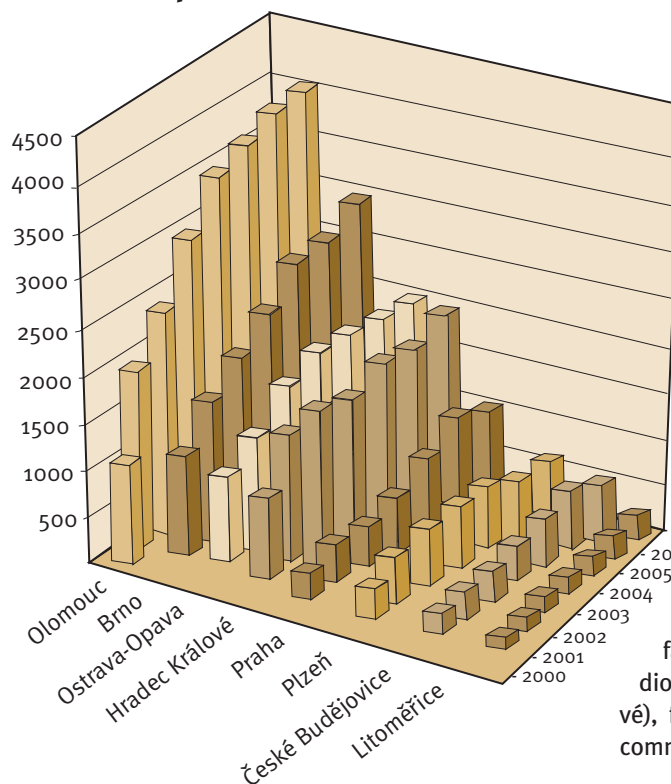
people's home in Hroznětín, the home
 for the aged and the disabled in Bor
 near Tachov, care for the aged and peo-
 ple in distress in Přeštice, a free-time
 club for the young in Domažlice, the St.
 Zdislava home for mothers with child-
 ren in distress in Aš and others.

In the Prague archdiocese funds were
 used to support CHOPS operations and
 the reconstruction of the Caritas parish
 building in Vlašim, social assistance for
 people with health disabilities in Dob-
 řiš, and the purchase of equipment for
 the asylum house in Mokrovraty near
 Starý Knín; funds were provided to the
 stationary facility in Petrklíč in
 Ledeč nad Sázavou, the Roma
 Rep Sun club in Kralupy nad
 Vltavou, etc..

Helping abroad

(projects providing aid after
 post-war conflicts, rebuilding
 housing, aid after natural dis-
 asters, humanitarian consign-
 ments, among other things)..
 Recipients of support include:
 the Caritas Gjilan "Street Child-
 ren" project in Kosovo (DCH
 Brno), the Care Service in Tjačiv
 in the Ukraine (OCH Třebíč); the
 construction of a children's
 home in Seredné in the Ukraine
 (OCH Znojmo), a holiday
 trip for a group of children
 from Belarus to the Czech
 Republic (DCH České Budějovi-
 ce), accommodation for poor
 families with children in the Indian
 diocese Belgaum (DCH Hradec Králo-
 vé), field social services in the Roma
 community in Kojatice in Slovakia (DCH

**Number of the carolling groups in the dioceses
 2000-2007**



Number of carolling groups 2000-2007

Diocese	2000 *)	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Brno	0	1 040	1 544	1 853	2 145	2 501	2 737	2 884
České Budějovice	0	176	250	323	350	531	725	568
Hradec Králové	0	850	1 355	1 428	1 560	1 845	1 825	1 993
Litoměřice	0	100	127	171	170	257	276	319
Olomouc	1 079	1 948	2 384	2 922	3 419	3 647	3 857	4 042
ostravsko-opavská	0	910	1 228	1500	1 621	2 123	1 915	2 031
Plzeň	0	298	498	600	657	701	753	751
Praha	0	250	411	413	500	807	1 083	1 021
Total	1 079	5 572	7 797	9 210	10 422	12 412	13 171	13 609

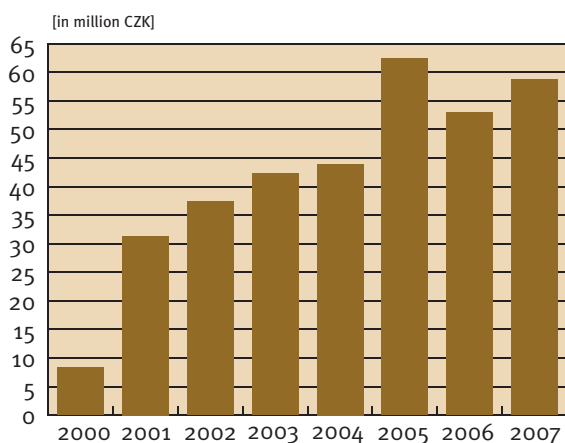
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Revenue from the Three King Collection 2000-2007

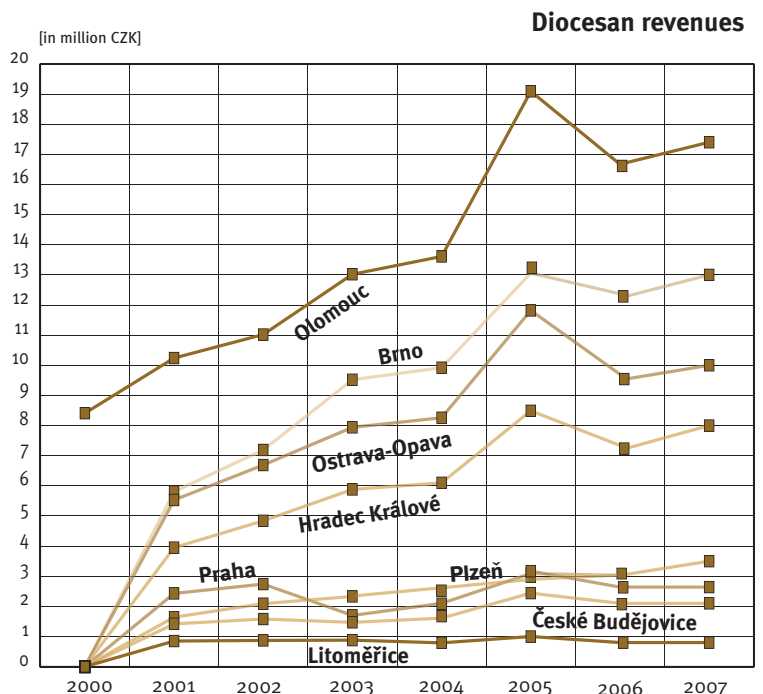
Diocese	2000 *)	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Brno	5 814 181	7 191 445	9 527 967	9 926 883	13 083 338	12 377 924	13 276 379	13 276 379
České Budějovice	1 428 219	1 587 962	1 477 406	1 612 718	2 443 650	2 103 087	2 437 752	2 437 752
Hradec Králové	3 959 556	4 844 639	5 888 629	6 105 978	8 495 664	7 340 486	7 943 143	7 943 143
Litoměřice	854 064	873 122	888 402	798 823	1 050 737	801 393	813 943	813 943
Olomouc	8 414 699	10 249 081	11 021 720	13 023 396	13 613 361	19 099 832	16 670 404	17 876 963
Ostrava-Opava	5 534 726	6 696 881	7 948 867	8 284 413	11 825 762	9 701 755	10 237 433	10 237 433
Plzeň	1 646 103	2 093 007	2 333 830	2 241 003	3 178 338	2 646 083	2 587 729	2 587 729
Praha	2 439 387	2 740 395	1 705 421	2 101 009	3 091 222	3 035 710	3 448 338	3 448 338
Total	8 414 699	31 925 317	37 049 171	42 793 918	44 684 188	62 268 543	54 676 842	58 621 678

*) In 2000 the collection took place in the Olomouc archdiocese only.

Comparison of the total collection revenue 2000-2007



Litoměřice), the Korolevo social-pastoral centre in the Ukraine (ACH Olomouc), the prevention of illegal migration from the Ukraine and from Georgia, and development projects in Chechnya and Ingushetia in the Russian Federation (Caritas Czech Republic Secretariat).



V. HUMANITARIAN AND DEVELOPMENT AID



GEORGIA

Stabilisation of situation of Georgia Citizens and prevention of Migration

Since 2005 Caritas Czech Republic has supported small entrepreneurs and rural communities in Georgia and starts up protected workshops. The project, initiated by the Ministry of the Interior

labour market. These people are then invited to attend a variety of courses or training programmes. At present, the programme is designed only for those with an education higher than secondary school. Georgia has an unemployment approximately 50 %.

In 2007 a total of 159 people attended training programmes as part of the project.

1 Humanitarian and development aid abroad

For many years, Caritas Czech Republic has been involved in humanitarian aid and development cooperation abroad. The work aims to help poverty-stricken third-world countries and territories that have suffered from a natural disaster or war conflict. In 2007 Caritas built on its operations from previous years, continuing with the development projects in Indonesia and Sri Lanka, the North Caucasus, the Ukraine, Moldova and Georgia. In Mongolia it continued the 2006 project for a social work study programme.

Through the diocesan and archdiocesan Caritas organisations, Caritas Czech Republic also helps in other parts of the world, in particular, in India, Haiti, Belarus, Uganda, Zimbabwe, and Bolivia. The review below describes the specific countries in alphabetical order.

of the Czech Republic, aims to decrease emigration from the region and is financed from the funds of the Foreign Development Cooperation on the initiative of the Czech Republic.

Re-qualification and skills courses in Tbilisi and villages

In cooperation with Caritas Georgia, we search for people who have problems finding work and need new or additional qualification to find a job in the

Re-qualification courses focused on the following professions: hairdressing, physiotherapy and elementary work with accounting software.

Additional qualification courses are intended for people with a good chance of finding a job but who lack a specific skill, for example mastering common office software, graphic design programmes or programmes used in the banking sector.

Social skills training focuses on secondary school and university graduates and teaches them how to present themselves in order to give them a better chance of gaining employment.

Theory and practice of cultivation – three blocks of a course for fruit growers and vintners were organised in cooperation with the University of Agriculture in Tbilisi. The courses were completed by 78 farmers.

Support for small entrepreneurs – business courses. So far, 20 people have successfully completed this cour-

training statistics 2005 to 2007:

Year Training	Number of courses	Number of end users	Direct costs (CZK)
2005	9	65	288 066
2006	17	107	481 172
2007	11	159	380 000
Total			941 301

Small business support statistics 2005 to 2007:

Year	Direct costs (CZK)	End users	Entrepreneurs Employees	Seasonal Seasonal	Total end user
2005	1 492 731	13	25	54	92
2006	1 520 691	17	70	198	285
2007	925 674	14	39	179	232
Total	3 939 096	44	134	431	609

se in the Samtskhe/ Javakheti provinces and 15 people in Tbilisi. A committee then decided who could continue with individual expert consultations about the development of small enterprises. In order to implement their business plans, prospective entrepreneurs applied for financial subsidies within the project framework. The people who completed the course but did not pass the selection process at least gained the latest information, new skills, useful contacts and an overview of the situation in the private sector.

The following plans received support: three milk production operations, a food shop, the growing and processing of potatoes, bee-keeping production needs, bee-keeping, sugar production, greenhouse cucumber and potato growing, mushroom growing, two stores with food and agricultural products.

Carpet making workshop in Tbilisi

In 2007 marketing consultants helped the workshop move towards profitability. It became a legal person and the management established contact with clients. The workshop now has its own logo and e-shop. The 24 end users have already begun to receive regular income from the project's profits. In the first half of the year the only project connected with the carpet making workshop was initiated.

Jewellery workshop

The workshop retains traditional technologies for enamelling and chased silver work. The workshop is now fully functional. Twelve young people are improving their skills here and receive a small salary in addition.

INDONESIA

Caritas Czech Republic has been active in Indonesia since 2005, when it joined the international aid initiative following the devastating earthquake and tsunami, which struck 26 December 2004. The Caritas Czech Republic development projects program prioritises a support for Livelihood Projects, construction of houses and infrastructure, and a therapeutic and social program for children and youth. In 2007, Caritas Czech Republic broadened its projects to include victims of the long-running civil conflict, which has afflicted Aceh until 2005. The year 2007 also saw further natural disasters strike the region and Caritas joined the urgent aid operation to help the victims. Caritas Czech Republic's annual turnover for the Indonesian mission exceeds 1,300,000 euros (approximately CZK 31,200,000). The projects are financed by Czech donors and with the help of the international Caritas network.

Support provided to the Livelihood Project and rural communities

The renewal of the worst-hit area in the Indonesian Aceh province will take dozens of years. The tsunami destroyed more than 75 % of all private business, the same percentage of agricultural land and 95 % of all fishing boats in the Aceh province. This is why one of the chief priorities for Czech Caritas is the renewal of livelihood for local people.

The agricultural part of the project in 2007 prioritised the renewal of agroforestry – the planting of long-term agricultural produce (fruit trees, etc.) and

training and counselling for farmers. Micro-credits were used to provide funds and expert counselling to set up a nursery for various tree seedlings. The programme also helped women restore their allotments so that they can meet household needs. Efforts were made to raise awareness of organic agriculture.

In the "Aqua" part of the project we continued to support the construction of floating fish cages and provided everything needed (fish spawn and feeds, counselling and training for farmers) for the first harvest. An association of fish farmers was established to help members begin operations, sell their produce and obtain better market conditions. The restoration of shrimp ponds was completed this year. Farmers received support from the beginning, as well as professional advice.

The project includes the re-greening and replanting of mangrove woods on the coast. These provide natural protection and on the riverbanks serve as a support eco-system for breeding shrimps and fish in ponds and cages.

The project continues to offer micro-credits, i.e. small, interest-free loans with long pay-back periods, which help families or groups to start their own small businesses.

Construction of houses

For the people of Aceh affected by the catastrophe it was an absolute priority to obtain a new roof over their heads. The Caritas strategy of comprehensive aid saw to it that in 2007 eighty-eight houses were completed and handed over in three villages where the livelihood project is currently underway. Future owners from among the local communities took active part in the construction of the houses – from the design phase up to direct supervision of quality of work at the construction site. When building houses in Indonesia we always have to remember that it is a seismically active area and that another tsunami could occur, meaning that the houses must meet the highest demands for quality and durability.

Therapeutic and social programme for children

Over the year we continued to cooperate with the local TALOE non-profit organization TALOE on a therapeutic and



social programme for children. Therapeutic help is delivered through traditional Aceh dances and music, which have been shown to have a good impact on children's mental state, as well as helping to preserve the traditions of the local people. The first joint project for children living in refugee camps (up to April 2006) was transferred in 2007 to schools, orphanages and villages.

Livelihood renewal support for civil conflict victims

The long-running civil conflict, whose victims come mostly from the civilian population, has wiped out entire villages. Due to the impossibility to work on the land planted with long-term agricultural produce the agricultural land was spoiled. Caritas concentrated on an area where it had already run projects for people affected by the tsunami and sought to rehabilitate the agricultural land, chiefly by agroforestry or home allotments gardens which provide food for the household. After the necessary needs assessment research the project got under way in August 2007 (with completion planned for 2009). Twenty-one villages are currently involved.

Floods in North East Sumatra and in the Aceh province, earthquake in Western Sumatra (Padang)

In December 2006 North East Sumatra was struck by disastrous floods and landslides. It was the worst flooding in the last 40 years. Because Caritas Czech Republic was already present in the region it could respond quickly, and in cooperation with the local Caritas it ensured that victims received immediate help; it also organized a follow-up development project for the renewal of livelihood. Caritas Czech Republic provided grants to families who had lost livestock essential for their basic livelihood. The renewal of sheep and goat breeding made it possible for families to resume farming activities.

In March 2007 Western Sumatra was struck by a severe earthquake. Caritas Czech Republic and its partner charity organizations ensured that the required aid was immediately supplied to the communities affected. This seismically active region endured several other strong earthquakes over the year.

Financing Caritas Czech Republic projects in Indonesia

For aid to Indonesia Caritas Czech Republic collected more than 29 million

CZK. These funds served to cover the immediate aid to victims, school reconstruction, the first therapeutic-social programmes, part of the Livelihood Project, the construction of housing in Yogyakarta, and help for victims of the floods and earthquake in other regions of Sumatra.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs provided 2 million CZK for immediate help in Yogyakarta.

From the Caritas network (Caritas Spain, Ireland, France, Germany, Scotland and Italy) and from the British NGO Oxfam we received more than 75 million CZK to support our projects.

MOLDOVA

The problem of Moldova is mass migration. Caritas's work in this country has focused not only on its prevention but also on relief from difficult living conditions of those who stayed, children and elderly in particular.

Loans (micro-credits) – counselling

In the agrarian areas deeply affected by migration Caritas selected the villages Costesti, Huluboaia, Ciocilteni, Clisova (Moldova) and Ivanovka, Picalo-



vo, Malaesti and Crasnaia Gorca (Transnistrian Area) and with the assistance of the partner organization ProRuralInvest provided specialised training for potential farmer-entrepreneurs. After graduation of the course the farmers prepared their business plans with the assistance of local experts and became eligible, after its approval, to an interest-free loan to purchase farming machinery, fertilisers, seeds, young plants etc. This “micro-credit” is paid back individually within 3-5 years, usually to a local non-profit organization, which uses the finances in compliance with a community development plan approved in advance.

The project thus helps not only to develop small farms, thereby generating employment, but also helps the wider village community and provides an alternative to emigration, thus mitigating the negative effects of migration.

Project name: Stabilisation of potential illegal immigrants through the creation of new job opportunities in Moldova

Implementation period: 2006–2008

Financial limit for 2007: CZK 2,000,000

Source: Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic

Preparing abandoned children for independent life

The migration of people at a productive age logically leads to thousands of abandoned children remaining in the country. Those who don't end up on the streets are taken into boarding schools. These currently care for 13,000 children, while at least another 100,000 fend for themselves at home or half on the streets and half in difficult conditions with relatives or friends, who are not able to look after them for extended periods of time.

The project offers children from boarding schools (unreformed residential educational institutes in the Soviet mould) after-school activities of their own choice, both within the boarding schools and in the company of children from local communities. Special training

in social and professional skills teaches children how to move independently in the world, which their time in boarding schools often leaves them unprepared for and unable to negotiate. Caritas Czech Republic is currently involved in four boarding schools (Carpineni, Cazanesti, Bender-Varnita and Cahul), and this number was expanded by another four schools from 2008.

Project name: Support of the extracurricular activities and the integration of children from the boarding schools in Moldova.

Implementation period: 2007–2008

Financial limit for 2007: CZK 1,235,000

Source: Ministry of Education, Youth and Physical Training of the Czech Republic

Home care services

Migration causes family break-ups at all levels and old people and people with disabilities are inevitably among



bringing even greater hardship to the lives of its most vulnerable people. Acting on an initiative by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Caritas Czech Republic prepared a study on the harm that the drought caused secondary victims in the worst-hit regions in the south of Moldova. The distribution of humanitarian aid for the twinning-village of Huluboaia was organised as part of the project.

Project name: Identifying secondary victims of drought in Moldova 2007
Implementation period: 2007
Financial limit for 2007: CZK 800,000
Source: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic

Day centre for Transnistrian children in Bendery

Children from the families of migrants, and those from a socially disadvantaged background, meet every workday in a charity day centre. Under professional supervision they are encouraged to develop their artistic abilities and make new friendships. By learning these new skills children gain the self-confidence necessary to deal with their often tragic life situation. The project is also constructing a new free time house, which is already partly in operation. Caritas Czech Republic has been involved in this Transnistrian project since 2003.

Project name: Day centre in Bendery
Implementation period: 2003-2010
Financial limit for 2007: CZK 130,000
Source: Three-Kings Collection

MONGOLIA

Social work programme

In autumn 2006, Caritas Czech Republic began working on a project intended for social work students and existing social workers in Ulaanbaatar in Mongolia. The project arose as a response to the many social problems that endure in Mongolian society (high levels of alcoholism, domestic violence, the sexual abuse of children, juvenile crime or the difficulties faced by old people and people with health and mental disabilities).

The project aims to improve social work education by focusing on the quality of theoretical training and gaining practical experience. The pro-

gramme should benefit the individuals and groups which will use the services of social workers.

Study support

This project is conducted in close cooperation with four Ulaanbaatar faculties and several NGOs providing social services.

Support comes in the form of a scholarship for students of social work. Students can apply what they learn in month-long practical internships in selected NGOs and state facilities and gain practical experience.

Study centre

In 2007 Caritas Czech Republic set up a study centre for students of social work in premises not far from the local faculties and student colleges. The office has six computers with Internet access, work desks and a library containing almost nine hundred volumes on social work. The centre is open not only to students but also to university teachers and anyone with an interest in social work.

Training existing social workers

The Caritas Czech Republic Study Centre holds regular training and teaching sessions for university teachers and social workers.

Project name: Preparing and starting up a social work study programme (Ulaanbaatar)
Project location: Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar
Project budget: CZK 12,200,000
Source: Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic
Partner organization participating in the Project: DCH Litoměřice

SENEGAL

In 2007 we continued to support the Austrian Caritas "Profemme" project aimed to making education accessible to women and women's groups in remote parts of the Tambacounda region. Apart from teaching reading and writing skills, the project also supports small business operations and seeks to lighten the load of domestic work. Much of the project focuses on hygiene and health (constructing new medical facilities, purchasing medication, staff training and information campaigns on AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria).

those who suffer most. Caritas endeavours to help them by education of the responsible workers in the area and strengthening of affordability and quality of home care services in the areas where the services have so far been the least accessible. Aside from training and further building of capacities, the project also entails opening of two daily centers (Cahul and Dubasari) that provide services of a daily nurses' station, social activation services, outpatient and field care services, and, at the same time, they function as a training centre for caregivers and other workers.

Project name: Support of the development of home care services, Moldova
Implementation period: 2007-2010
Financial limit for 2007: CZK 2,000,000
Source: Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic

Humanitarian aid

In the spring and summer of 2007 Moldova suffered a catastrophic drought,

NORTH CAUCASUS

The protracted armed conflict weakened entire generations in the Northern Caucasus. Military operations and the subsequent occupation destroyed villages and municipal infrastructure and almost obliterated economic activity; most buildings were destroyed and inhabitants were forced to leave their homes. The population's evacuation and the lack of infrastructure caused the quality of social services to decline, particularly in the education and medical sectors. The situation is slowly improving but the war's legacy and high poverty persist. The Northern Caucasus remains one of the poorest regions of the Russian Federation and almost 90 % of the Chechnya population, and 60 % of people in Ingushetia, live below the poverty line. Caritas Czech Republic has been active in the Northern Caucasus since 2000. Its priorities in year 2007 included projects in the sphere of pre-school education; consulting centres and community development, food security and HIV/AIDS prevention and treatment.

1. Pre-school education

The pre-school education projects are based on an individual approach to the child, the integration of socially disadvantaged children and children with special needs, and the active participation of parents and the local community in the education process.

Community Based Early Childhood Programme in the Republic of Chechnya

This project, established in September 2006, provided pre-school education for 320 socially disadvantaged children and children with special needs. In 2007, the reconstructed and fully equipped children's centres in four Chechen villages provided with pre-school education 160 children. The project was financed from the funds of the Caritas network through Caritas Switzerland. It is planned to not only continue with the project in following year but also increase the number of attending children.

Placed funds in 2007: EUR 177,976 (approximately CZK 4.5 million)

Centres for Early Childhood Development in the Republic of Ingushetia

In the previous years we have set up 4

centres in refugee camps in Ingushetia, providing care to 590 pre-school children, including socially disadvantaged children and children with special needs. The care not only includes pre-school education but also full nutrition meals, medical care and psychological help. The project of pre-school centres was closed in June 2007 and in the autumn the child centres were transferred to local non-governmental organisations.

The project was financed from the funds of the Caritas network (Caritas Espanola and Secours Catholique).

Placed funds in 2007: EUR 137,000 (approximately 3.5 million CZK)

Pre-school preparatory classes in the Republic of Chechnya

In total 24 pre-school preparatory classes for children of returned refugees were founded to enable them to enrol in elementary school. Again, special attention was given to children with special needs.

In 2007 the preparatory classes were attended by 1,200 children. The programme of the pre-school preparatory classes was closely linked to the needs of the elementary schools, which took over the running of preparatory classes after the project was ended. An important part of the programme is teaching of Russian language, since many Chechen children in pre-school age can not speak Russian. Caritas Czech Republic administered the pre-school preparatory classes in cooperation with ECHO (European Commission's Humanitarian Office), CAFOD and Secours Catholique.

Placed funds in 2007: EUR 344,134 (approximately 9 million CZK)

Individual help for children

Individual donors from the Czech Republic make small donations for children affected by the war in Chechnya. The raised money has particularly been used for medicines, visits of doctors-specialists, school-fees for pre-school education centres. The economic situation of these children's families is carefully monitored every three months to make sure that the funds are placed where they are most needed.

Placed funds in 2007: EUR 17,920 (approximately CZK 450,000)

2. HIV/AIDS Programme in the Republic of Chechnya

Since 2006 Caritas Czech Republic has been running this project in cooperation with the Ministry of Health of Chechen Republic, the Chechnya Centre for the Prevention and Combating of HIV/AIDS and the non-governmental organisation (NGO) LIFE. In 2007 the project focused mainly on the following activities:

Training programmes for doctors and medium-level medical staff/students/prison staff/prisoners. The objective of this part of the project is to fight against the stigmatisation and discrimination of people living with the HIV/AIDS. The training programmes focused on obtaining basic information about HIV/AIDS, routes of transfer, diagnostics, clinical and ethical aspects of treatment.

NGO LIFE mainly helps people living with HIV/AIDS and their relatives, to whom it provides psycho-social advice. LIFE also organises regular meeting of self-help groups of people living with HIV/AIDS, takes part in the creation of information materials about the prevention and treatment of HIV/AIDS, and supports the representation of interests of people living with HIV/AIDS. The project is planned to continue in the following year.

The project was financially supported from the funds of the Caritas network by the English and French Caritas (CAFOD, Secours Catholique). Placed funds in 2007: EUR 89,514 (approximately CZK 2.4 million)

3. Consulting and Community development in the Republic of Chechnya

The network of consulting centres is integrated within the local NGO called POZITIV, which in 2007 provided advisory services in various fields (education, labour law, civil law, health care, social issues) to more than 12,000 clients in Capital Grozny and in 8 neighbouring villages.

In 2007 the project also focused on the community development of the Chechnya countryside, aiming to gain local people's cooperation in solving their community's problems (e.g. the planting of a park, repair of a library, maintenance of a nursery school etc.).

The project was financed with funds



from the Caritas network (CAFOD, Cordaid).

Placed funds in 2007: EUR 222,816 (approximately CZK 5.6 million)

4. Dining Halls in the Republic of Chechnya

The Caritas dining halls were opened in 2006 in four selected areas of Capital Grozny. They provided daily one warm meal and organized social activities for socially vulnerable inhabitants of Grozny. These are mainly disabled people, orphans, the elderly, widows and socially weak families with high number of children. The project has been implemented in cooperation with the WFP (the World Food Programme) and the Ministry of Labour and Social Development of Chechen Republic.

The project was financed from the funds of the Caritas network (DCV, Cordaid).

Placed funds in 2007: EUR 295,197 (approximately CZK 7.6 million)

5. Psycho-social help for handicapped children and support of visually impaired children

In the field of children education, Car-

itas Czech Republic also runs two minor projects focused on physically handicapped children:

a) The “We are Together” project of psycho-social assistance for physically handicapped children and their parents, is organized in cooperation with the local non-governmental organization SINTEM.

b) The organization of leisure activities for visually impaired children

Both projects were financed from the funds of the Caritas Czech Republic – from the Three-Kings Collection.

Placed funds in 2007: EUR 19,419 (approximately CZK 0.5 million)

SERBIA

In 2007 the two projects launched in Serbia the previous year by Caritas Czech Republic and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, being the donor, were merged into one. This made it possible to continue their activities, which had already shown signs of promise. The “Stabilisation of Serb Society” project focused primarily on helping the people of Serbia and Montenegro regain the legal status as citizens that they enjoyed before the war of the 1990s, during

which their homes and property were destroyed and they were forced to emigrate. Now that they’ve returned they find themselves in a complicated situation, as large groups of Roma live here outside the majority population. They were moved from their homes in Kosovo or other parts of the former Yugoslavia and forced to seek refuge in territories untouched by the war or in Western Europe. The principle of ethnic-cleansing meant that land records and birth registers were often destroyed. The Roma living in temporary settlements on the peripheries of Belgrade who lost their personal documents when fleeing the war officially do not exist. Their domiciles have no official address and for two years they haven’t been able even to use the so-called B status, which was a sort of temporary way out of this situation. Caritas Czech Republic thus offered assistance in obtaining documents in Serbia, Kosovo and Montenegro. Another form of help to the Roma population were the re-qualification courses at Belgrade University and consequent assistance in finding employment. The Roma have shown much interest in these courses and are already enjoying their benefits.

The second part of the project focused

on the religious sphere. Caritas Czech Republic has tried to arrange dialogue between the main leaders of the different religions, i.e. the Orthodox, the Muslims and the Catholics. Religious authorities have great influence over the people of the region and can affect the overall atmosphere in society. The objective was to deepen ecumenical and inter-religious dialogue via organizing regular meetings, lectures, seminars, sightseeing of historical monuments of one of the churches and cultural events.

The project partners were the Caritas Belgrade Archdiocese and the Office for National Minorities in the Palilule district of Belgrade.

SRI LANKA

Caritas Czech Republic launched its operations in Sri Lanka immediately after the humanitarian catastrophe caused by the tsunami of 26 December 2004. Development aid to help the victims continued in 2007. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic assisted in providing short-term assistance to victims of the armed conflict. Caritas Czech Republic works in the Batticaloa province in the eastern part of the island.

HELPING VICTIMS OF THE TSUNAMI

1. pre-school education

This part of the project involves the construction or repair of pre-school facilities destroyed during the tsunami, equipping kindergartens with furniture, teaching aids and toys; it also works with the communities, provides professional training for teachers and secures financing for the schools.

(Re)construction of damaged buildings

After researching the situation in the region it was decided to repair 27 pre-school facilities and build 18 new kindergartens.

In 2007 Caritas Czech Republic built 4 kindergartens and reconstructed 6 buildings. Each was equipped with furniture and teaching materials and toys. The deteriorating security situation meant that construction work had to be interrupted for a short time. Next year we intend to repair and construct 16 buildings.

Teacher training

The training organized by Caritas Czech Republic gives teachers from pre-school facilities the chance to broaden their professional skills. Training programmes employ the "Montessori" system, which has a long tradition in Sri Lanka.

Supporting communities

Caritas supports local communities with small loans (micro-credits). Interest from these loans covers costs for teachers' pay and building maintenance. Work with communities (information about the loans and their repayment, how to open an account, financial advice) is arranged by our partner, the local NGO called PPDRO.

School boat in Navalady

In 2007 Caritas Czech Republic financially supported the Caritas EHED charity project in the village Navalady. This facilitated the daily transport of children to the school on the other side of the lagoon.

2. Green beld

This part of the programme arranged for the affected coastal areas to be planted with coconut palms and keshurin trees. The trees reinforce the coast, reduce soil erosion and will later provide a livelihood for the local people.

3. Field work with refugees

Caritas Czech Republic cooperated on this programme with the local FCE organization. The assistance and counselling services provided in refugee camps, as well as in the families most severely affected by the tsunami, have helped people come to terms with the loss of loved ones and the trauma they experienced. The project was financed by the Caritas Sweden.

Helping victims of war

Immediate aid project for war refugees

The project arranged psycho-social support for people who have been forced to remain in refugee camps. Those who returned to their homes have been provided with equipment essential for their trades, thus ensuring their livelihood. Support has been given to masons, tilers, wheel repairers, farmers, fishermen and barbers. The project was financed by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic.

SUDAN

In 2007 Caritas Czech Republic financially supported the DERO project (DERO - Darfur Emergency Response Operations) aimed at helping refugees in the Dafur province in the west of Sudan. We also supported the British Caritas (CAFOD) project, which aims to help refugees in the Khartoum region.

Projects include:

- distribution of food and non-food aid in refugee camps for 65,000 families.
- reconstruction and operation of medical facilities and provision of basic medicines (a total of 26 medical facilities)
- care for undernourished children and pregnant mothers.
- the running of elementary schools for children of refugees.
- securing water in refugee camps and sinking new wells in destroyed villages.

UKRAINE

In 2007 Caritas Czech Republic continued working on social development projects in Ukraine. Formerly a part of the USSR, Ukraine is currently encountering economic problems, with high level of unemployment in some regions. The social services sector is very weak in Ukraine.. For economic reasons many Ukrainians choose to leave their country to seek employment abroad, especially in the EU.. Having little knowledge of the legal possibilities for working in the EU countries, and with their traditional distrust for institutions, people often turn to middlemen, who commonly work illegally or semi-legally. When abroad the migrants became an easy target for crime. Caritas Czech Republic has thus focused on reducing illegal migration from Ukraine to the Czech Republic.

Caritas Czech Republic cooperates on these projects with Ukrainian partner organizations in the following regions: Transcarpathian Ukraine (Uzhgorod), Western Ukraine (Lvov), Eastern Ukraine (Kharkov). The programmes focus mainly on: 1) people who have decided to work abroad but lack adequate information on the possibilities for legal employment in the EU, and 2) socially disadvantaged groups, among whom there is a strong likelihood they



will try to solve their critical social situation by going abroad.

The project included our support for consulting centres in the towns of Lvov (Western Ukrainian Resource Centre), Uzhgorod (Caritas Mukačevo) and Kharkov (Social Service of Assistance). In these centres Ukrainian citizens receive information about the legal possibilities for working abroad; clients learn about the documents needed for their stay, how to get a visa and the risks associated with working illegally in the Czech Republic.

In 2007 Caritas in Ukraine linked up with the work of the consulting centres mentioned above by launching a pilot project (financed by the Ministry of the Interior of the Czech Republic) which provides an assistance and advisory service for potential migrants seeking employment. In September 2007 the project was expanded to include activities from the public tender issued by the Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs of the Czech Republic: Implementa-

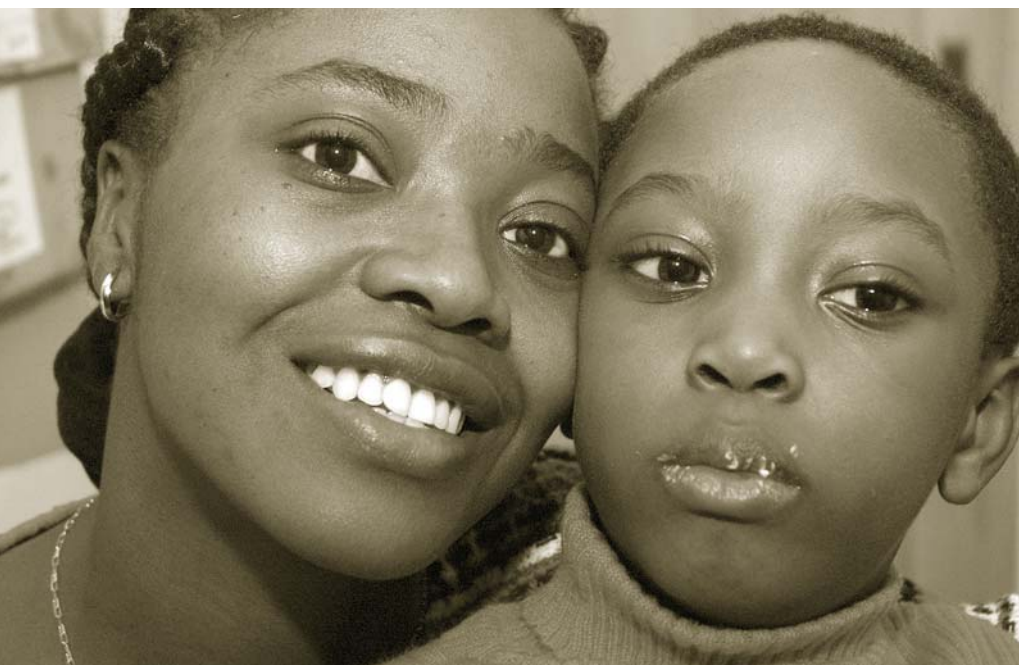
tion of activities for the prevention of illegal labour migration to the Czech Republic from the Ukraine. This made it possible to guarantee the operations of Czech assistance centres (Prague, Brno, Pilsen, Litoměřice and Hradec Králové) which provide advice on possibilities for legal employment for Ukrainian migrants in the Czech Republic. They also raise awareness of the risks associated with illegal employment for Czech employers and Ukrainian citizens intending to emigrate or who are already living in the Czech Republic; in addition, they offer assistance to prospective labour migrants in contact with prospective employers, the Czech embassy and other entities when leaving to work in the Czech Republic so that there are fewer incidents of these people being abused by people operating outside the law.

One of the socially vulnerable groups in Kiev, the capital of Ukraine, are the “street children”. These are children from socially or economically

dysfunctional families, orphans, juveniles leaving children’s homes without a social background to go to. These children can find help in the children crisis centre run by the Aspern Fund, a Kiev organization. Here the “street children” receive professional social, medical, psychological and educational assistance. Social workers also work with the families of these children. Especially the provision of these services (work with families of children at risk) is financially supported from the funds of Caritas Czech Republic projects.

② Helping needy foreigners in the Czech Republic

One of the areas in which Caritas seeks to play a role is in helping foreigners and refugees who have been hounded out of their own country by military conflict, persecution or poverty. Caritas Czech Republic has been active in this field of assistance since 1994. The assistance provided to foreigners would not be possible without contributions from public authorities, donors, sponsors and volunteers who have given money, materials and time.



NATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Advice centres for foreign nationals and refugees

Caritas Czech Republic operates a network of specialized advice centres for foreign nationals and refugees at the diocesan carities in Brno, České Budějovice, Hradec Králové, Litoměřice, Ostrava, Plzeň, and Prague, and runs an advice centre for long-term legally settled foreigners at the Česká Lípa Parish Caritas. These advice centres offer foreign nationals, regardless of their residence status, free social and basic legal guidance and assistance, accompany them to meetings (at authorities, embassies, police stations), and provide interpreting and translation services, assistance with finding accommodation and employment, contacts and information, and in warranted cases minor material or financial assistance. Some advice centres also offer integration courses (e.g. DCH Hradec Králové, DCH České Budějovice, DCH Plzeň and DCH Brno). In 2007, the advice centre for foreign nationals in Ostrava (St. Alexander Caritas)

was closed. In 2006, the charity advice centres served 2,200 clients.

Hostels for foreign nationals with the status of „sufferance“

In 2007, the Litoměřice Diocesan Caritas operated two hostels for foreigners holding sufferance visas (Litoměřice, Brozany nad Ohří) under a contract with the Mol Refugee Facility Administration. Here, clients receive accommodation and social assistance (in particular social and basic legal guidance, solutions and the prevention of tension between the foreigners housed in the hostels, translation and interpreting services, material assistance, etc.).

In 2007, accommodation was made available to 30 users in Litoměřice and 18 users in Brozany nad Ohří.

ACTIVITIES AT INTEGRATION AND RESIDENCE FACILITIES

Legal and social guidance in asylum facilities

Diocesan Caritas workers regularly go to the residence and integration cent-

res of the SUZ Mol in Kostelec nad Orlicí, Jaroměř-Josefov (DCH Hradec Králové), Zastávka u Brna (DCH Brno), and Ústí nad Labem-Předlice (DCH Litoměřice), and provide clients with information about the obligations of a party to asylum procedure, about refugee legislation and about the system of state administration in this field. Workers help prepare papers connected with refugee proceedings (e.g. actions against the rejection of an application for asylum).

Humanitarian clothing stores in asylum centres

Caritas operates humanitarian clothes stores in SUZ Mol asylum and detention facilities. In 2007, it ran this service at the following facilities: PrS Prague-Ruzyně Airport and ZZC Velké Přílepy (clothes service operated by ACH Prague), PoS Zastávka u Brna (DCH Brno), PoS Kostelec nad Orlicí (DCH Hradec Králové) ZZC Bělá-Jezová and Stráž pod Ralskem (Česká Lípa), PrS Vyšší Lhoty (St. Alexander Caritas).

Free time activities

In several SUZ Mol facilities, Caritas Czech Republic organizes free time workshops; it also organizes and supports sports and cultural activities for adults and children. It arranges sports matches, exhibitions, Christmas get-togethers, excursions and holiday camps for the children of foreigners. DCH Hradec Králové makes financial contributions to cultural and sports events for children in the asylum residence centre, and organizes trips and competitions. It also earmarks funding for gifted children who are involved in various extra-curricular special-interest activities or who attend secondary school. DCH Brno worked with volunteers to organize a number of sports afternoons for children and young people, trips into the countryside and visits to cultural monuments, events to mark International Refugee Day, Internatio-

nal Children's Day, open days, etc., at the asylum residence centre in Zastávka u Brna. In the Litoměřice diocese, FCH Česká Lípa organized several activities for asylum seekers at IAS Stráž pod Ralskem in 2007. ACH Prague, in cooperation with volunteers, arranged free time activities for foreign nationals at PrS Prague-Ruzyně in 2007.

Workshops

DCH Hradec Králové runs a wood-carving workshop and handiwork workshop for women at the asylum residence centre in Kostelec nad Orlicí; in 2006, a music workshop was set up here. St. Alexander Caritas operates a wood-carving workshop and sewing workshop at PrS Vyšní Lhoty; in PoS Zastávka u Brna, DCH Brno runs a craft workshop for women, and in 2006 a music workshop was formed here.

ACTIVITIES IN RECEPTION CENTRES FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS

Prague-Ruzyně Airport Reception Centre

ACH Prague, as part of a project launched in 2000, monitors the immigration situation at Prague Airport; at the Prague-Ruzyně Airport Reception Centre, it offers legal, social and special guidance and material assistance, and arranges free time activities for applicants seeking international protection.

Vyšní Lhoty Reception Centre

During 2007, St Alexander Caritas provided legal guidance to applicants for international protection at the Vyšní Lhoty Reception Centre. It also operated sewing and wood-carving workshops and a humanitarian clothing store at the facility.

ACTIVITIES IN DETENTION FACILITIES FOR FOREIGNERS

In 2007, Caritas continued its activities in detention facilities for foreigners. The aim of these activities is to monitor respect for human rights, provide social and legal guidance and material assistance, and to organize cultural and free time events at the facilities:

Velké Přílepy (ACH Prague)

ACH Prague has been operating at the facilities in Velké Přílepy since 2000.

Until 30 April 2007, the establishment here was used as a branch of the Prague-Ruzyně Reception Centre. From 1 May 2007 to 20 December 2007, there was a Detention Facility for Foreigners here. Since the amendment to the Asylum Act entered into effect (i.e. 21 December 2007), the facility has reverted back to its status as a reception centre. Since 2006, Caritas has operated a humanitarian clothing programme for clients at the facility. Services provided by ACH Prague include legal guidance, especially in asylum procedure, judicial proceedings related to asylum cases, administrative expulsion, family law and voluntary repatriation. It is also involved in social advice, spiritual care and material assistance (clothing, hygiene products, phone-cards, small purchases). Since 2004, ACH Prague's female workers have held preventive discussions for persons potentially or actually at risk of trafficking in human beings (forced labour, forced prostitution). Leaflets and brochures containing information and important numbers for advice centres, the police, etc., were distributed to those visiting these discussions. This project of preventive discussions is co-financed by the European Refugee Fund.

Bělá-Jezová (FCH Česká Lípa)

In 2007, FCH Česká Lípa mainly organized free time activities here for detained foreigners and operated a humanitarian clothing store. Since 2004, ACH Prague's female workers have held preventive discussions for persons potentially or actually at risk of trafficking in human beings.

Frýdek-Místek (St Alexander Caritas)

In 2007, St Alexander Caritas ran a humanitarian clothing store in the detention facility in Frýdek-Místek.

ASSISTANCE FOR VICTIMS OF TRAFFICKING IN HUMAN BEINGS

This project, focusing on assistance for victims of trafficking in human beings, has been operated by ACH Prague since 2001 with financial assistance from the MoLSA, Mol, Prague City Hall and the ERF. The project is geared towards

● preventive and educational activities – preventive discussions for per-

sons at risk of trafficking in human beings (with interpreting into their mother tongue) – at PrS Velké Přílepy and ZC Bělá-Jezová.

● and direct help for victims of trafficking in human beings – the provision of basic emergency intervention and aftercare, social and legal guidance, including assistance in applying for personal documents, sheltered accommodation, and the intermediation of health and psychological care. Clients may also draw on a range of retraining and self-learning courses.

INTEGRATION OF FOREIGN NATIONALS INTO CZECH SOCIETY

Multicultural centres (MKC)

Centres provide a place for legal, long-term settled foreign nationals and recognized refugees to meet, take courses and foster social ties with each other and members of majority society. The centres are designed for foreigners who are interested in integration while preserving their own identity. The centres try to break down majority society's stereotypical views and prejudices.

● MKC Plzeň

In 2007, DCH Plzeň organized a number of events in Plzeň, Cheb, Klatovy and Karlovy Vary that were also open to the general public: multicultural evenings, discussions, informal meetings of recognized refugees, expert seminars for the public, and discussions with pupils. Lectures concentrated on Kurdistan, Belarus, Germany, Bangladesh and Ukraine and in all cases were presented by foreigners. Other activities by MKC Plzeň in 2007 included expert seminars on the Czech Republic's accession to the Schengen area and informal events for refugees, e.g. a New Year get-together for recognized refugees from Klatovy, garden parties for recognized refugees, an excursion for the children of recognized refugees to Plzeň Zoo and Karlovy Vary, etc. MKC Plzeň also prepared an exhibition of photographs by Petr Šilhánek called Countries on the Edge – Georgia, Ukraine, Moldova. MKC events in 2007 were attended by more than 700 people.

● MKC České Budějovice

The multicultural centre has been ope-

rating as part of the České Budějovice Diocesan Caritas since May 2003. Regular MKC activities include free Czech lessons for foreigners, free conversation in English (and other languages), meetings of MKC friends, and sports afternoons. The centre occasionally arranges lectures, discussions, exhibitions, concerts, excursions and other activities (e.g. free computer lessons). Clients of the multicultural centre can also draw on social-law guidance.

● MKC Brno

The multicultural centre at DCH Brno was set up in 2006. It is designed not only for recognized refugees, foreign nationals seeking asylum, foreigners with long-term or short-term residence, and even Czech citizens who want to learn about other cultures. A special invitation is made to employers willing to employ foreign nationals. Foreigners are also helped to integrate into Czech society by means of informative meetings for foreign nationals (guidance on finding a job, exhibitions and discussions for the public, discussions and advice for employers and companies, and open multicultural evenings).

Support for the integration of foreign nationals

DCH Brno network project

This social and legal advice project seeks to support the integration of foreign nationals granted either permanent or long-term residence. In the context of DCH Brno, contributions are made to the project by the Brno, Blansko, Jihlava and Hodonín charities, where specialized advice centres for foreigners are operated. The project strives to inform the Czech public about the problems encountered by foreigners and tries to foster relations between foreign nationals and Czech citizens.

Integration of compatriots from Kazakhstan

As part of the state programme for the Resettlement of Compatriots from Kazakhstan (MoI), DCH Plzeň arranged for social company for one family of compatriots in the Town of Klatovy, and organized language lessons for two repatriated families in the City of Plzeň.

Courses for foreign nationals

Caritas organizes courses for foreigners with various types of residence status that are designed to help them integrate into society and successfully find a job. In 2007, DCH Litoměřice contributed integration courses for recognized refugees to an SUZ project co-financed by the European Refugee Fund, which was designed to provide advice and education to recognized refugees housed at the Integration Asylum Centre in Ústí nad Labem. DCH Litoměřice organized integration information courses about the Czech Republic and for the acquisition of the social-law and cultural knowledge and skills necessary to integrate into society. In 2007, there were 34 courses lasting 71.5 hours and attended by 99 people. In 2007, FCH Česká Lípa held a similar course on Czech studies for recognized refugees, which was available to clients accommodated at IAS Stráž pod Ralskem.

Integration courses for foreigners

The Advice Centre for Foreigners attached to DCH Hradec Králové ran a project to further the integration of foreign nationals and recognized refugees (financed under the JROP programme). Besides advice and free time activities, it also focuses on educational programmes – free Czech lessons and computer lessons in Hradec Králové. The MKC centre at DCH České Budějovice provides foreigners with free Czech lessons, free conversation in English (and other languages) and, based on interest from clients, free computer lessons. The MKC centre at DCH Brno offers foreigners free computer lessons and free Internet access (the possibility of individual job searches). The Advice Centre for Foreigners and Refugees in Plzeň launched Czech courses for foreigners in August 2007. These are low-threshold courses intended for the broadest group of interested persons. PRO courses for groups of 4-10 persons are held regularly every Wednesday from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Participants pay a contribution of CZK 10 for 90 minutes.

MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

Prevention of illegal migration in countries of origin

In recent years, the Czech Republic has

become a recipient country for numerous economic immigrants. In this respect, Caritas is developing direct assistance in the countries from which these immigrants originate. Caritas Czech Republic's humanitarian aid and development assistance department, in liaison with the association's migration department, ran projects in Ukraine and Moldova aimed at preventing illegal immigration into the Czech Republic. Since 2002, DCH Litoměřice has managed a project in the Roma settlement of Kojatice, in the Prešov district in Eastern Slovakia, that concentrates on free time, sports and educational activities for Roma children and young people.

Assistance system for the employment of the citizens of Ukraine

From 1 January to 31 December 2007, Caritas Czech Republic implemented a project of international development cooperation supported by the MoI, called Preventing Abuse of the Workforce on the European Labour Market, with a particular focus on the Czech Republic. From 1 September 2007 to 31 March 2008, it worked on an MoLSA public contract called 'Realization of activities with a preventive effect on illegal work immigration into the Czech Republic from Ukraine'. The interlinking of these two projects gave rise to the Assistance System.

The programme focused on the legal, free intermediation of employment for Ukrainian citizens in the Czech Republic, as well as on guidance for potential immigrants to the Czech Republic, for Ukrainians already living in the Czech Republic and for Czech employers interested in employing foreigners. An important part of this programme was the provision of direct assistance in the handling of applications for work permits and visas of more than 90 days for employment purposes, the intermediation of accommodation, transport, and contact details for institutions.

The programme included a publicity campaign in Ukraine (three presentations for the public, the distribution of information materials and dozens of seminars for potential immigrants to the Czech Republic) and in the Czech Republic (three presentations for employers and three presentations for

employment offices, organized by the IOM Prague). A website was created for the programme at www.praceproukrajinice.cz.

Contributions to the programme were made by five assistance centres for labour immigrants from Ukraine (at DCH Brno, Hradec Králové, Litoměřice, Plzeň, and ACH Prague) and by three consultancy centres (partner organizations in Uzhgorod, Lvov and Charkov) and the Caritas Czech Republic secretariat. Contributors from state administration included the MoLSA, the Mol, employment offices, labour inspectorates and the aliens police. Information about the migration situation and consulting was provided to 2,200 people under this system in 2007. Four hundred Czech employers were approached, and a hundred used the system's services. Legal employment was arranged for several dozen people.

Medevac Project

In 2007, the Prague Archdiocesan Charity again helped organize the Medevac Project, which is designed for child patients who are at risk of losing their life and who cannot be treated in their home country. The programme is financed by Mol.

ACH Prague provided children being treated in the Czech Republic and their guardians with social services, saw to their material needs and organized free time activities. During 2007, ten sick children from Kosovo and one child from Georgia arrived in the Czech Republic under the Medevac Project. The children underwent operations at the Motol and Na Bulovce Teaching Hospital in Prague and spent a month of convalescence at a children's treatment centre.

Education of Belarusian students in the Czech Republic

In autumn 2006, ACH Prague, with the support of the Czech Ministry of Foreign Affairs and in cooperation with partner charities in Belarus, started assisting talented Belarusian students who do not have the opportunity to study in their homeland. On completing a one-year foundation course of Czech, the young people have been studying at universities in Prague, Olomouc and Ústí nad Labem since September 2007. ACH Prague is responsible for their material needs. The Belarusian stu-

dents have been involved in the work of ACH Prague as volunteers in the preparation of free time programmes at PrS Prague-Ruzyně and the Velké Přílepy facility, and also help out with the Medevac Project.

WORK WITH THE PUBLIC

Caritas workers strive to inform the Czech public about foreigner issues by way of exhibitions and lectures in order to help eliminate prejudices and to help develop relations between foreign nationals and their communities with Czech citizens.

Cooperation with the media

Workers from DCH Brno, České Budějovice, Hradec Králové, Litoměřice, Plzeň and ACH Prague provided information about their activities and about foreigner issues through articles in the regional and national press, made contributions and gave interviews to regional and national radio and television stations, and disseminated informative leaflets.

Discussions, lectures

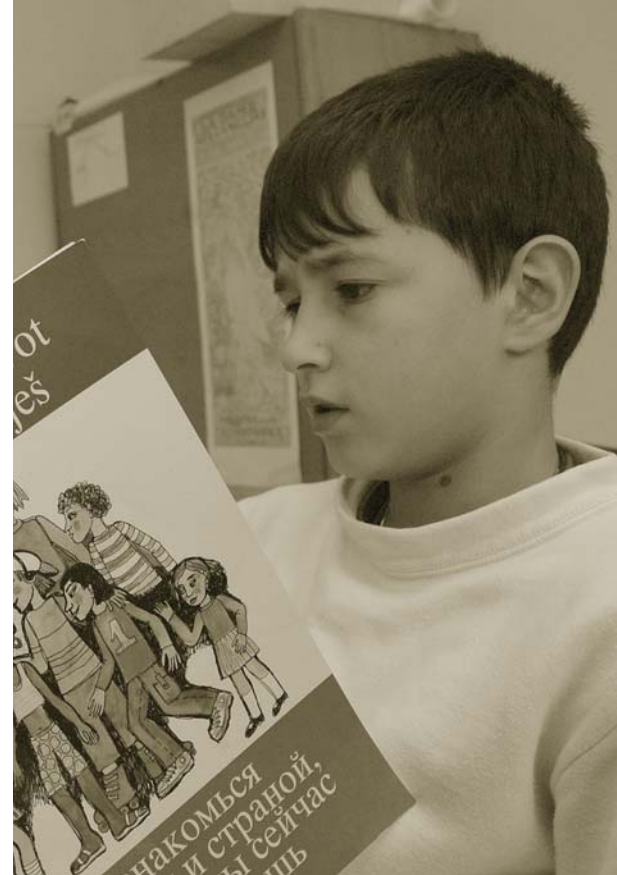
In 2007, DCH Plzeň workers organized another cycle of interactive discussions with the students of primary and secondary schools, called Foreigners and Us, which received financial support from Plzeň City Hall. In 2007, 61 discussions were held on the theme of refugees, differences, models of co-existence with new arrivals and the life of recognized refugees in the Czech Republic. Workers at DCH České Budějovice's advice centre for immigrants and refugees contributed to lectures at the Faculty of Theology and Health and Social Affairs, University of South Bohemia, and at grammar schools, secondary nursing schools and other secondary schools in the České Budějovice area.

Exhibitions, concerts

In 2007, Caritas workers organized exhibitions or concerts within the scope of the events of the multicultural centres (DCH Brno, České Budějovice and Plzeň) and on other occasions.

COORDINATION OF WORK IN THE CONTEXT OF CARITAS CZECH REPUBLIC

The Caritas Czech Republic national



immigration coordinator methodologically coordinates immigration activities in individual dioceses, provides an information service and professional guidance, and manages an expert collegium on immigration and refugee issues within the charities. The coordinator is also a member of the Interministerial Commission on the Creation of a New Concept for the Integration of Recognized Refugees and on the Allocation of Integration Housing for Authorized Persons, a member of the Commission of the Minister for Labour and Social Affairs on the Integration of Foreigners, and a permanent guest of the Committee on the Rights of Foreigners at the Government Council for Human Rights.

COOPERATION

In the field of the immigration and integration of foreigners, Caritas Czech Republic cooperates with:

- state authorities
- nongovernmental and international organizations
- schools and educational establishments
- healthcare facilities
- national Caritas in the context of membership of Caritas Europa and Caritas Internationalis

VI. COMPANY OPERATIONS



STRUCTURE OF SOME EXPENSE ITEMS CCR

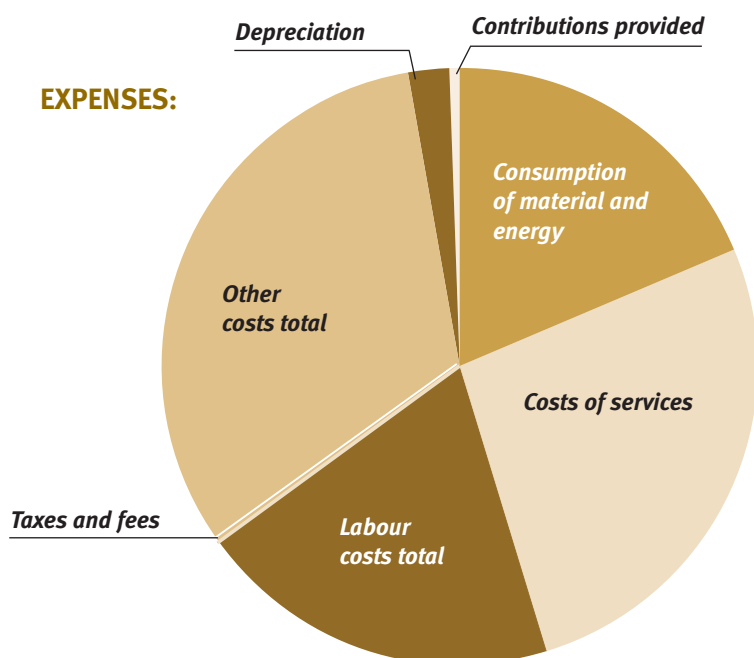
for 2007 [in CZK thousand]

Consumption of low-cost fixed assets	633
Consumption of office stationery	914
Consumption of material at foreign missions	21 858
Consumption of other material	255
Costs of printing, technical literature, laws	44
Consumption of spare parts for PC	113
Consumption of food at foreign missions	4 877
Electricity consumption	488
Gas and heat consumption	307
Water and sewage charges	84
Petrol consumption	1 060
Repair and maintenance of buildings and instruments	774
Business trips (local and abroad)	3 170
Air tickets (foreign destinations)	1 779
Three Kings' Money Collection costs (giro transfer forms, piggybanks, sugar, classif. ads, passes, insurance of carollers, distribution of leaflets)	1 063
Collection costs – accrued	1 864
Services – newspaper articles, photos, promotion	537
Services – classified advertisements	673
Services – training	2 592
Services – interpreting, translations	456
Services – web pages, software maintenance, Internet	1 519
Services- tax and audit	0
Services – design activities	23 609
Services – inspection of the building	47
Services – cleaning by external firm	181
Services – food purchases	
Services – lecturer, managerial, advisory	2 319
Services – accounting, tax	1 105
Legal services	473
Telephone bills and postage	2 448
Wages and salaries	28 201
Statutory social security and health insurance	4 111
Meals for employees	227
Gifts to underprivileged	12 104
Bank fees	647
Insurance	583
Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	3 400
Members' fees of Caritas Europa, Caritas Internationalis	558
Taxes and fees	257
Other costs	39 525
Income tax	0
Total	164 855

Total expenses of CCR in 2007

	[CZK 000]	[%]	Principal activity	[%]	Ancillary activity	[%]
Costs total	164 855	100,00	159 685	100,00	5 170	100,00
Consumption of material and energy	30 715	18,63	29 864	18,63	851	18,63
Costs of services	43 947	26,66	43 531	27,16	416	9,11
Labour costs total	32 584	19,77	30 939	19,30	1 645	36,01
Taxes and fees	257	0,16	214	0,13	43	0,94
Other costs total	53 197	32,27	52 987	33,06	210	4,60
Depreciation	3 597	2,18	1 592	1,00	2 005	38,78
Residual value of sold assets	0	0,00	0	0,00	0	0,00
Contributions provided	558	0,34	558	0,35	0	0,00
Income tax	0	0,00	0	0,00	0	0,00

EXPENSES:



The costs in 2007 totalled CZK 164,855 thousand. In comparison with 2006, the costs have increased by CZK 39,017 thousand. The costs mainly comprise foodstuffs consumed during missions. The costs relating to the preparation of projects and expensed on advisory substantially increased.

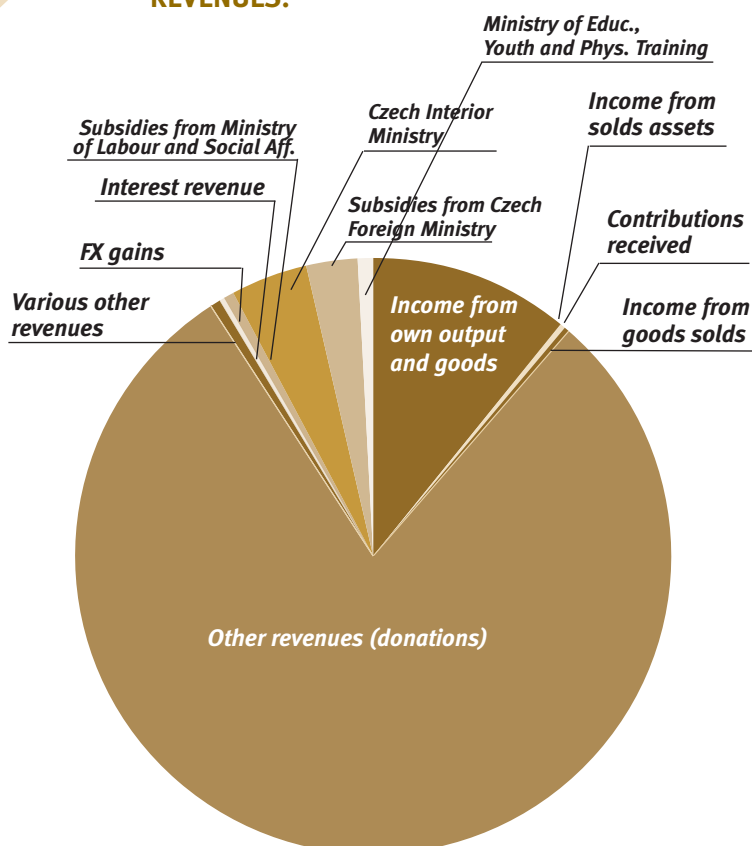
A substantial increase has been noted with regard to the wages and salaries in 2007, which is connected with activities performed by individual missions.

The membership subscription fees of Caritas Europa and Caritas Internacionalis for 2007 were increased by CZK 70 thousand and they amount to CZK 558 thousand in total.

REVENUES:

Revenues of CCR in 2007 by source

	[CZK 000]	[%]
Total revenues	161 762	100,00
Income from own output and goods	17 640	10,90
Income from goods sold	80	0,05
Interest revenue	573	0,35
FX gains	495	0,31
Other revenues (donations)	128 365	79,35
Various other revenues	185	0,11
Income from sold assets	527	0,33
Contributions received	525	0,32
Subsidies from Ministry of Labour and Social Aff.	952	0,59
Czech Interior Ministry	6 750	4,17
Subsidies from Czech Foreign Ministry	4 435	2,74
Ministry of Educ., Youth and Phys. Training	1 235	0,76



Balances and movements of CCR assets in 2007 [CZK '000]

	At 1. 1. 2007	Form of acquisition	Acquisition offixed assets	Fixed assets disposals	Acc. deprec.	Balance at 31. 12. 2007
Fixed assets	110 710	0	0	3 088,00	14 942,00	105 476,00
Buildings	81 675	tech. appreciation	0	144,00	11 623,00	81 531,00
Developed land	19 571	gift	0	63,00	0,00	19 507,00
Transportation means	4 672	purchase	0	2 398,00	1 435,00	2 274,00
Instrumentst and equip., fixt./fitt.	2 447	purchase	0	483,00	1 884,00	3 170,00
Shares in controlled persons	200		0	0,00	0,00	200,00
Other long-term loans */	1 937		0	0,00	0,00	
Securities	408	gift	0	0,00	0,00	572,00
Low-cost fixed assets	2 964		0	1 918,00	1 046,00	0,00

*/ transfer to account 315



The depreciation of tangible fixed assets was CZK 3,597 thousand in 2007, which exceeds the depreciation in 2006 by CZK 37 thousand.

In 2007, a family house in Železný Brod was disposed by sale. Its sale was agreed and approved by the founder of Caritas Czech Republic.

The low-cost tangible assets, which were disposed in the course of stock-taking due to their non-working condition, amounted to CZK 1,918 thousand. The low-cost assets were written-off for accounting purposes in 2006, but despite the fact that those assets were in non-working condition or their repair would be too expensive, they were not disposed.

Caritas Czech Republic holds securities acquired by inheritance. A list of these securities is disclosed in the attached Notes to the Accounts. In 2007, 156 units of bearer shares of ČKD DIZ Praha were struck from the records of the Securities Centre in Prague.

Caritas Czech Republic provided a long-term loan to the Diocese Ostrava-Opava Caritas. At 31 December 2007, the accounts were stock-taken. As a result, recharging from account 315 Other receivables to account 067 Other long-term loans took place.

The revenues in 2007 totalled CZK 161,762 thousand.

The result for 2007 is a loss of CZK 3,093 thousand.

In the accounts there is an unbilled advance – gift – flooding DCV 2002 amounting to CZK 9,672 thousand.

Caritas Czech Republic's accounts have been kept and the annual financial statements have been prepared pursuant to Act No. 563/91 Coll., as amended, valid for accounting units, and in compliance with Decree No. 504/2002 Coll., as amended, for the accounting units not predominantly created to generate profits, provided they employ double-entry accounting system.



Income and Expenses of CCR for 2007 [in CZK th.]

ACH/DCH	Praha	České Budějovice	Plzeň	Litoměřice	Hradec Králové	Brno	Olomouc	Ostrava-Opava	CCR-Homes for clergymen and nuns	Secretariat CCR	Total
Consumption of material and energy	12 508	14 470	21 262	16 963	40 182	44 454	85 941	69 898	49 543	30 715	385 936
Costs of services	33 228	11 125	13 920	14 615	27 262	39 558	41 159	34 149	17 980	43 947	276 943
Wages and Salaries	58 253	50 316	58 259	53 850	121 496	152 229	190 817	126 550	63 624	28 201	903 595
Social and Health Insurance	19 774	17 075	19 946	18 475	41 796	51 772	65 051	42 928	21 661	4 111	302 589
Donations	593	585	419	118	178	75	1 034	1 344	51	38 553	42 950
Other costs	9 821	3 972	4 243	3 379	9 333	8 078	16 174	8 809	2 141	15 731	81 681
Depreciation	8 152	3 183	4 285	2 341	14 967	10 009	11 855	16 301	6 849	3 597	81 539
Total costs	142 329	100 726	122 334	109 741	255 214	306 175	412 031	299 979	161 849	164 855	2 075 233
Income from own output	2	74	0	20 279	3 199	49	14 703	15 007	0	0	53 313
Income from health insurance comp.	23 837	7 589	16 044	19 593	73 812	61 902	63 838	21 431	169	0	288 215
Income from services	19 355	20 345	32 084	1 212	35 741	38 379	111 086	97 182	79 551	17 720	452 655
Subsidies from Ministry	38 720	44 622	26 517	28 135	55 544	75 496	121 684	68 612	78 000	13 372	550 702
Regional/District Subsidies	4 926	2 326	11 389	2 060	19 348	36 528	9 722	4 791	0	0	91 090
Community subsidies	5 082	7 079	20 404	10 917	19 389	34 195	24 855	43 756	0	0	165 677
Other subsidies	22 773	5 619	2 322	19 085	17 548	35 031	32 974	15 098	0	0	150 450
Other revenues	2 392	2 913	2 782	2 064	10 216	15 899	7 489	13 638	3 261	130 212	190 866
Gifts from local entities	17 009	4 518	5 553	3 378	12 609	8 079	18 317	8 777	583	21	78 844
Gifts from abroad	-24	0	81	117	4 280	971	507	220	0	437	6 589
Collections from churches	1 699	1 024	455	533	795	1 669	3 484	7 345	0	0	17 004
Other collections	2 886	3 412	1 814	209	3 506	40	2 503	1 027	0	0	15 397
Total revenues	138 657	99 521	119 445	107 582	255 987	308 238	411 162	296 884	161 564	161 762	2 060 802
Profit(+)/(loss)(-)	-3 672	-1 205	-2 889	-2 159	773	2 063	-869	-3 095	-285	-3 093	-14 431
Investments into construction	27 117	1 697	4 500	191	9 386	34 366	10 467	19 897	1 467	0	109 088
Investments into equipment	1 288	1 076	1 200	200	2 628	5 678	4 478	5 854	1 467	0	22 581
Investments total	28 405	2 773	5 700	391	12 014	40 044	14 945	25 751	6 292	0	131 669
Subsidies to investments	20 280	0	5 739	57	2 136	20 642	6 637	20 872	1 432	0	77 795
Other sources of investments	7 935	1 342	3 631	334	9 878	19 402	6 598	4 929	4 860	0	58 909
Sources of investments total	28 215	1 342	9 370	391	12 014	40 044	13 235	25 801	6 292	0	136 704
Investments: sources – expenses	-190	-1 431	3 669	0	0	0	-1 710	50	0	0	5 035
Number of employees											
actual	409,0	399	117	363	825	784	1 348	908	380	44	5 577
restated	337,0	318	115,72	326	683	708	1 135,65	836	342	39	4 842

BALANCES AND MOVEMENTS OF CCR ASSETS IN 2007 Balance Sheet at 31. 12. 2007 [in CZK '000]

ASSETS	At 1. 1. 2007	Mov. in 2007	At k 31. 12. 2007
A Fixed assets total:	98 227	-4 261	93 966
I. Intangible fixed assets total	79	-66	13
Software			
Low-cost intangibles	79	-66	13
II. Tangible fixed assets total	111 329	-4 847	106 482
Land	19 571	-64	19 507
Structures	81 675	-144	81 531
Separate movables and sets	7 119	-1 675	5 444
Low-cost tangible fixed assets	2 964	-2 964	0
Other tangible fixed assets	0	0	0
Unfinished tangible fixed assets	0	0	0
III. Long-term financial assets	2 345	1 127	3 472
Shares in controlled and managed persons	200	372	572
Other long-term loans	1 937	963	2 900
Other long-term financial assets	208	-208	0
IV. Acc. depreciation of fixed assets total:	15 526	475	16 001
Acc.amortization of intangible fixed assets	79	-66	13
Acc. depreciation of structures	9 077	2 546	11 623
Acc.depreciation of separate movables and sets of movables	6 370	-2 005	4 365
Acc.deprec.of low-cost tangibles	0	0	0
Acc.amort.of other tangibles	0	0	0
B Short-term assets total:	132 220	-46 586	85 532
I. Inventory	719	-620	0
Material in stock	620	-620	0
Goods in warehouses and in outlets	99	0	0
II. Total receivables:	53 858	-39 755	14 100
Customers	1 236	450	1 686
Operating advances provided	47 961	-38 289	9 672
Other receivables	1 013	-950	63
Due from employees	79	-50	29
Other and various receivables	3 528	-1 850	1 678
Income tax	0	15	15
Other direct taxes	3	-3	0
VAT	26	-21	5
Estimated receivables	12	940	952
III. Short-term fin. assets total	75 692	-6 361	69 331
Petty cash/Cash in hand	1 731	-1 097	634
Liquid valuables	82	-23	59
Bank accounts	73 879	-5 241	68 638
IV. Other assets total	1 951	150	2 101
Deferred expenses	1 356	569	1 925
Accrued revenue	589	-413	176
Foreign currency exchange losses	6	-6	0
TOTAL ASSETS :	230 447	-50 847	179 498

Comparison of total revenues of CCCA in the years

	2006 [in CZK 000]	%	2007 [in CZK 000]	%
Total income	124 505	100,00	161 762	100,00
Income from own output and goods	14 257	11,45	17 640	10,90
Income from goods sold	60	0,05	80	0,05
Interest	624	0,50	573	0,35
Foreign exchange gains	924	0,74	495	0,31
Other income (gifts)	99 792	80,15	128 365	79,35
Various other income			185	0,11
Income from assets sold	2 244	1,80	527	0,33
Contributions received	1 784	1,43	525	0,32
Operating subsidies	4 820	3,87	13 372	8,27

LIABILITIES	At 1. 1. 2007	Mov. in 2007	At 31. 12. 2007
A. Total equity	225 334	93 471	174 694
I. Total equity	237 109	-47 547	189 562
Equity	100 915		100 915
Funds	136 194	-47 547	88 647
II. Profit(+)/(loss)(-)	-11 775	-163	-14 868
Account of profit/loss	X		-3 093
Profit/loss to be approved	-1 372		X
Retained earnings, unpaid loss of previous years	-10 403	-1 372	-11 775
B. Total loans and credits	5 113	-309	4 804
III. Short-term payables, total	4 183	527	4 710
Suppliers	1 397	803	2 200
Advances received	28	13	41
Other payables	22	-22	0
Employees	619	215	834
Other payables towards employees	23	0	23
Due to social security and health insurance	324	139	463
Corporate income tax	39	-39	0
Other direct taxes	109	79	188
VAT	0	91	91
Other taxes and fees	0	0	0
Due to state budget	151	111	262
Other payables	1 471	-1 106	365
Estimated payables	0	243	243
IV. Other liabilities, total	930	-836	94
Accrued expenses	656	-562	94
Deferred revenue	274	-274	0
TOTAL LIABILITIES:	230 447	-50 949	179 498

Comparison of total costs of CCCA in indiv. years

	2006 [in CZK 000]	%	2007 [in CZK 000]	%
Total costs	125 838	100,00	164 855	100,00
Consumption of material and energy	26 180	20,80	30 715	18,63
Cost of services	50 814	40,38	43 947	26,66
Personal costs, total	13 741	10,92	32 584	19,77
Taxes and fees	4 719	3,75	257	0,16
Other costs, total	26 335	20,93	53 197	32,27
Write-offs	3 560	2,83	3 597	2,18
Contributions provided	489	0,39	558	0,34

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT 2007

Auditor's report to the stockholders of the company Charita Česká republika.

I conducted an audit of the attached financial statement of the company Charita Česká republika, the company registration number 70100969, on the date of December 31, 2007. It is the authorised representatives of the company who are responsible for closing the books. My role is to express the auditor's opinion of the financial statement on the basis of the audit.

I conducted the audit in accordance with Auditors and the Chamber of Auditors of the CR Act and with auditorial regulations of the Chamber of Auditors of the CR. These regulations require the audit to be planned and conducted in such a manner that the auditor could be reasonably certain that the financial statement does not contain any significant incorrectness. The audit includes verification of completeness and provability of amounts and information stated in financial statements conducted in a selective manner.

The audit also includes the consideration of correctness and appropriateness of the auditing principles that were used and significant estimates made by the company and evaluation of the overall presentation of the financial statement. I am convinced that the audit provides a reasonable basis for making a statement.

In my opinion the financial statements, with disclosures in notes, give, in all material respects, a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, equity and financial standing of Charita Česká republika as at 31 December 2007 and its result for 2007, in conformity with the Accounting Act and the applicable regulations of the Czech Republic.

“Unqualified opinion”

The auditing unit reports the assets value to be CZK 179.498.000 outside sources to be CZK 4.804.000 and loss to be CZK 3.093.000.

In Prague, August 28, 2007



Ing. František Meierl
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Appendices: - balance sheet on December 31, 2007
- statement of profit and loss on December 31, 2007
- appendix to financial statement, C-F



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Dear supporters, staff, volunteers and promoters of charity work, dear friends, I will start the concluding words of this annual report with a story I once heard:

A heavy storm washed up onto the shore a great many starfish, which remained stranded on the sand, with no water and in danger of their lives. A little boy started gathering up the starfish and taking them back to the water. At a distance, people

stopped what they were doing and shook their heads at the boy's actions, saying that there was no way he would have the strength to collect all the starfish, and that they would die anyway. But as the boy persevered, so people gradually joined him. There were more and more of them, and they worked together to return just about all the starfish to the sea, thus saving them from death.

The annual report on the activities of Caritas Czech Republic is a report on people and their actions – people who were like the little boy in the story and started along a path of what might seem to be unrealizable and never-ending work. Unrealizable in that there are so many needy people across the world; never-ending because many people who have been helped uncontrollably sink back into their original plight. But if we don't give up, many more people will join us, and will follow our example by joining in with this never-ending task.

I would like to thank all staff, volunteers, everyone who supports Caritas materially or spiritually, for the great work you are doing.

I ask for God's blessing and love in the future as we seek to do further good in our seemingly unrealizable and never-ending work.

*Oldřich Haičman
Director, Caritas Czech Republic*

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HOW CAN I SUPPORT THE WORK OF CARITAS?

There are many ways how you can support Caritas. You can help as a volunteer: donate part of your free time to support the clients of Caritas who need the help of others due to their handicap, their age or simply lack of luck in their lives. You and your time will be more than welcome. You can also help to distribute the clothing from the Caritas depot, lead a group of the Three-King carol singing team or write anonymous letters to prisoners.

You can also “adopt” a child from a Third World country or contribute to the bank account to fund ongoing projects. (We issue receipts to the donors, however in case of a bank transfer we can only issue the receipt after a telephone or written contact – as the address of the donor is not evident from the bank account.)

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