

PROFESSIONAL CARE WITH 100-YEAR-OLD TRADITION

Caritas Czech Republic



About us

- oldest non-profit organisation working at the national level
- biggest non-state provider of social and health services
- organiser of the Three Kings Collection, biggest collection event in the Czech Republic

301 Caritas Czech Republic network is comprised of 309 local and 10 Archdiocesan or Diocesan Caritas organizations

72,646 volunteers

171,147 clients

8,851 employees

CZ **133,803.733 Kč** collected during the 2020 Three Kings Collection for help to those in need

How we help in the Czech Republic

We are close to all those who suffer, and we help people who, due to illness, old age, disability or social exclusion cannot cope with everyday life on their own. We provide people with aid irrespective of race, nationality, religion, citizenship or political affiliation. We respect and protect the rights and dignity.

In the area of social and health services, we helped **171,147** people in 2019

- In **81** information centres we endeavoured to find assistance for **44,568** clients – elderly, disabled people, victims of crime and domestic violence, migrants, incurably ill or indebted people

- In our care and relief services, emergency care, daily service centres and short stay facilities, elderly and disabled persons' homes, and in sheltered housing, we provided aid to **26,789** clients in 2019

- **44,645** people made use of our early care, telephone emergency assistance, asylum houses, half-way houses, contacts, interventions and low-threshold centres, emergency assistance, dormitories, activation services, field programmes and other forms of assistance

- **47,160** patients were taken care of by staff of **84** home health care centres and **2,213** people by employees of **54** residential facilities

- In **412** places, people contacted our volunteer and educational centres, second-hand clothing stores, used furniture warehouses, centres for families with children and services for foster parents, clubs for seniors, social enterprises, hostels etc.

- We provided care and support for **5,562** terminally ill people at **4** residential hospices, **51** home hospice care centres and **3** specialized outpatient facilities, and through **16** mobile hospice care teams

EACH PERSON MATTERS TO US



Home healthcare, which had long been underfunded, faced termination. In July 2019, Caritas published an online call and a petition for its rescue. By the end of September, the petition had been signed by more than 70,000 people, including important figures. After a series of demanding negotiations with the prime minister and with the participation of the minister of health, an amendment to the Remuneration Decree was approved, the super-gross salary of nurses was increased and unfair regulations were paid in full for 2018 and 2019, which should stabilise this area of public healthcare.



Milan and his twenty-year-old son had previously only known dormitories, but thanks to Caritas, they can now live decently at a men's shelter in Pošumaví. The men are able to do their own cooking, laundry and cleaning there. Some – including Milan's son – have found work and are earning money, while others take care of the garden and household pets. Contributions for the home's operation are collected from several sources, including the Three Kings Collection. Milan values this chance and both he and his son, like the others, are "harvesting goodness".

How we help abroad

- **102** projects worth CZK **230** million

– This is the result of the work done by network comprised of 11 Archdiocesan, Diocesan and regional Caritas organizations and the department of humanitarian aid and development cooperation of Caritas Czech Republic abroad in the year 2019.

- Help was given all over the world from Haiti to the South American continent, Africa, Europe, from the Middle East to India, and other Asian countries.

- Individual Archdiocesan, Diocesan and provincial Caritas organizations worked in **20** countries on **70** development and **1** humanitarian project worth CZK **61** million. The humanitarian aid and development cooperation department of Caritas Czech Republic worked on **31** humanitarian and development projects with a budget of just under CZK **169** million.

HUMANITARIAN AID

- In 2019, as in previous years, humanitarian aid was dispatched primarily to the **Middle East**, where people continue to face the consequences of many years of conflict and lack the most essential things – the security of home, sufficient food and water, medical care and the opportunity to work and study. There are still 1.5 million internally displaced people in Iraq and up to four million people there need humanitarian aid. We helped to repair damaged homes and to build shelters, and we strived to improve access to healthcare and to support children's education and the retraining of adults.
- In **Cambodia**, which is regularly affected by floods alternating with droughts, we train people, especially in rural areas, to better cope with recurring natural disasters, to not lose their crops and to ensure a sufficient supply of clean water.
- Thanks to the Prague Archdiocesan Caritas, immediate food and material aid was dispatched to people affected by flooding in **India**.

DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

Caritas Czech Republic, Archdiocesan, Diocesan and some local charities engaged in development cooperation in many areas, **in particular health, social work and agriculture**. We also support **education, small business development and civil society**. We are mindful of **environmental protection and respect for human rights** and we concentrate **on strategic and sustainable development**. The dominant programme of Charita at the Archdiocesan, Diocesan and regional level is what we call **Long Distance Adoption**. This allows children and young people in Haiti, Bolivia, Paraguay, Peru, Ecuador, Zimbabwe, Zambia, Congo, Uganda, Belarus, Ukraine, India and Thailand to go to school, attend kindergarten or study.



In Iraq, we strive to ensure that people affected by many years of military conflict have a roof over their heads, among other things.



Thanks to the activities and generosity of many local Caritas organisations, hundreds of children on four continents are able to attend school or preschool.



The work of our mission in Zambia focuses on self-sufficiency of the local people and asylum seekers from the surrounding African countries.

Three Kings Collection

In January 2020, the 20th annual Three Kings Collection took place, the largest and most successful fundraising event in the Czech Republic. More than **75,000 volunteers**, both children and adults, took to the streets between the 1st and the 14th of January to receive in their officially sealed donation boxes CZK 130,347,953. Total proceeds from the Three Kings collection came to **CZK 133,803,733**.



The money goes to people in need and outcasts from society such as seniors, whose households are visited by voluntary carers and nurses, mothers with children in distress, seeking to re-establish a lost balance in asylum houses, people with disabilities at short stay healthcare facilities, homeless people in charity dormitories, and seriously ill people in home service and hospice care. It also goes to families who find themselves in a particularly difficult life situation, for example, as a result of a fire or a flood. A portion of the proceeds is earmarked for foreign projects to help people in distress who face a war, natural disaster, or adverse conditions in developing countries.

More information is available at www.trikralovasbirka.cz

Please, help your neighbours in need!

You are not indifferent to the world we live in? Do you like what we do and would like to support our work?

- You can:
- get involved as a volunteer
 - contribute to the collection account

Collection bank accounts of Caritas Czech Republic and information on payments made from bank accounts abroad

Help for those in need in the CR:

44665522/0800 with Česká spořitelna
IBAN: CZ54 0800 0000 0000 4466 5522
SWIFT / BIC: GIBACZPX

International aid:

55660022/0800 with Česká spořitelna
IBAN: CZ79 0800 0000 0000 5566
0022, SWIFT / BIC: GIBACZPX

Three Kings Collection:

66008822/0800
IBAN: CZ97 0800 0000 0000 6600 8822
SWIFT / BIC: GIBACZPX

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