



CHARITY CATHOLIC ORGANIZATION

# Who we are?

- Diocesan Catholic organization
- Established to implement the social policy of the Catholic Church in the Sofia-Plovdiv Diocese
- Organisation, moved by the Christian virtues – charity, justice and mercy
- Member of the National Catholic Federation *Caritas Bulgaria*
- Organisation, registered as a non-profit legal entity for community service realization (NGO)

# Vision and mission

**Vision** – Creation and development of a stable community based on the following values – love, equality and peace, where each person is to live in dignity.

**Mission** – Being inspired by God's love and following Christ's example to serve the people in need – poor, sick, wronged ones, children, families and people who live alone – and to call for and encourage the parochial communities and all people with good will

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# Where we are?



Our head office is in Rakovski



# In care of the elderly

## Home care



- 15 years Home care for elderly and sick people;
- 105 elderly people from 4 settlements receive care and understanding in their home;
- Over 500 visits a month;
- Average number of medical and social services provided for 1 month - 2700;





# In care of the children

Saturday adventures -  
extracurricular and out-of-  
school activities for children  
Information Meetings to  
Prevent Human Trafficking  
Voluntary work with children  
placed in a home for persons  
deprived of parental care  
Individual support for





# In care of the neighbor



- Food support
- Individual support for persons at risk according to their individual needs

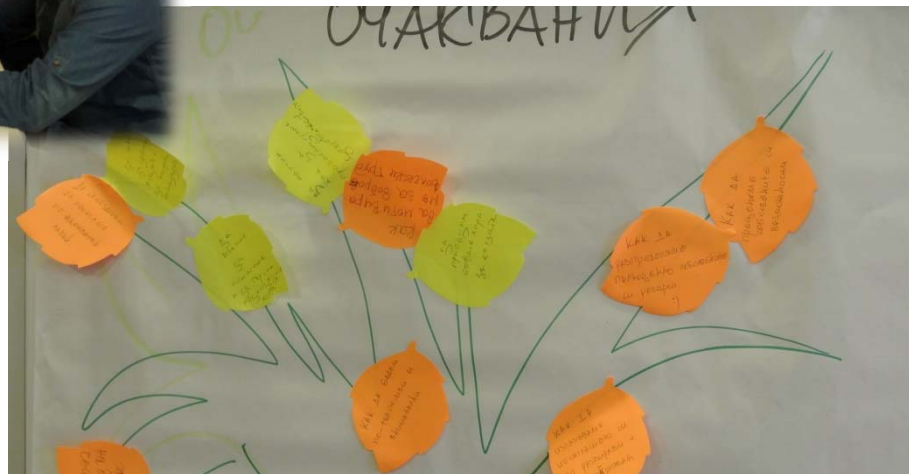


# Development of volunteering



## A group of people are seated around a long white table in a room with stone walls. They are engaged in a training session, looking at papers and using water bottles. On the wall behind them is a large red cross logo with hands inside it. There are also some papers and a small calendar on the wall.

- Planning, organizing and evaluation meetings
- Exchange of



# Voluntary activities and initiatives



- Animation of children
- Art group
- Charity bazaars
- Collecting and distributing of food packages





# Our plans

- **Creating a social enterprise**
- **Social farming**



# Difficulties and challenges

**The lack of own equipment increases the cost per decare**

**The lack of irrigation system limits the types of crops that can be grown.**



- **Bureaucracy and loss of time on the institutions**
- **Theft of production by local roma**
- **Providing a market for the product**
- **Tough access to funds**

