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3. Address by the Grand Master

Dear consoeurs and confrères,

When reading this 2014 International Hospitaller Report you will notice that a globalization has taken place worldwide that can fortunately be seen in the activities of the Order of Saint Lazarus in many different ways.

When 43 jurisdictions report about their different charitable work I am pleased to notice how the commitment of the members of the Order has steadily increased.

Historically, the Order of Saint Lazarus was the Order for people suffering from leprosy. Now we are experiencing that the Order has embraced a broader spectrum of charitable activities, i.e. we are not just dealing with leprosy but also with tuberculosis.

Hospice care and palliative care are increasingly gaining more importance. Another pillar of our charitable activities is the care for children and the support for disabled people. The Order is also expanding towards fields such as organ transplant, food campaigns and community service. Please allow me to point out that jurisdictions assuming these tasks are doing a terrific job.

In this context I should like to quote a sentence from the encyclical 'Laudato si' by His Holiness Pope Francis:

"232. Not everyone is called to engage directly in political life. Society is also enriched by a countless array of organizations which work to promote the common good and to defend the environment, whether natural or urban. Some, for example, show concern for a public place (a building, a fountain, an abandoned monument, a landscape, a square), and strive to protect, restore, improve or beautify it as something belonging to everyone. Around these community actions, relationships develop or are recovered and a new social fabric emerges. Thus, a community can break out of the indifference induced by consumerism. ... In this way, the world, and the quality of life of the poorest, are cared for, with a sense of solidarity which is at the same time aware that we live in a common home which God has entrusted to us. These community actions, when they express self-giving love, can also become intense spiritual experiences."

Atavis et Armis

Carlos Gereda de Bourbon, Marquis of Almazán
Magnus XLIX Magister





4. Address by the Grand Commander



Dear consoeurs and confrères,

In front of you, you will find the Hospitaller report of our Order for the year 2014. I would like to thank our Grand Hospitaller and all other people who were involved in the preparation and production of this 5th consolidated report about the Hospitaller and charitable activities of our Order.

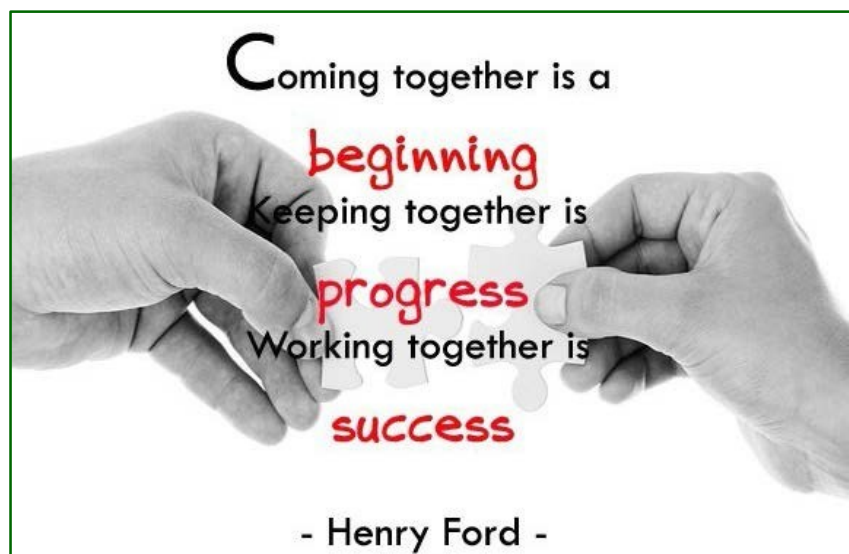
It is our intention to have a Hospitaller report like this every year.

It is also our intention to publish regular Hospitaller projects of the jurisdictions of our Order on our Website. For our Order it is important to tell what the goal and purpose of our Order is and to show to the people how we are trying to achieve this.

It is also important for the different jurisdictions in our Order to learn about the activities of other jurisdictions and maybe to find ways in working together.

This Hospitaller report is still not complete. The data of a couple of jurisdictions are missing. I am sure, however, that every year there will be improvements in making our efforts more known to the public.

Drs. Ronald H.M. Hendriks, GCLJ-J
Grand Commander of the Order





5. Introduction by the Grand Hospitaller

Dear consoeurs and confrères,

You have now in front of you the new International Hospitaller Report, the fifth I have published by now.

It remains to be said that the content and the message have become more and more comprehensive. Via this 'voice' of the World Order significant activities of almost all jurisdictions are published.



During the International Hospitaller Meeting in Walsingham on 6 June 2014, the way was paved for an optimised publication of the outstanding Hospitaller projects. The idea brought forward by two esteemed members of the Order, to forge ahead flagship projects under the patronage of the International Order as a sign of the Order's joint determination, met the approval of the Grand Master and the Order's governance. Please consult the report for further details.

During the GMC meeting in Cordoba on 7 November 2014, new structures for optimising the publication of Hospitaller activities were also formalised. The Grand Hospitaller Working Group drafted a new 'application form' for applying for support of projects. In this connection, please read the report on the Christine Revell Home which you will find in the text.

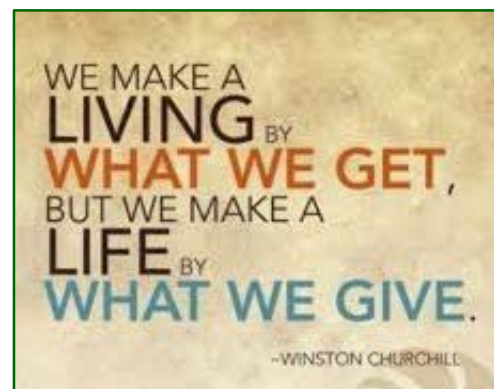
Certainly, there is still more potential for improvement, however, I am very grateful to be able to present a report for whose realisation I would like to thank the Grand Hospitaller Team and, in particular, Herma Wijers, Gabi Cox, John Byrnes and Mike Ross. All this, however, would have been impossible without the guiding hand of the Grand Commander, Ron Hendriks.

Obviously, Marny Gilluly's untiring efforts and constant approachability have become indispensable for all of these activities. The strong confidence and amicable solidarity extended to us by the Grand Master and the members of the GWC (Ted White and Sijt de Boom) are the fundamental basis for the Grand Hospitaller's successful public perception.

Finally, let me express my special thanks to all Consoeurs and Confrères of the Order worldwide who, with great personal commitment, have provided hands-on support for people in need all over the world.

The entire Hospitaller team is proud to report on these impressive activities.

Dr Axel Mittelstaedt MD, GCLJ Grand Hospitaller





6. FOREWORD

Definitions and accounting possibilities.

To publish an overall report of the Hospitaller activities of the jurisdictions of our Order worldwide started in 2010. Every year the number of jurisdictions sending their Hospitaller report was increasing. The ultimate goal is that every jurisdiction will do so in the near future. For 2014 almost all (except 4) of the jurisdictions filed their annual Hospitaller report. May the others rise, like Lazarus. They received a letter (e-mail) from the Grand Commander with the kind request to file their report in the near future. Even if they don't have a Hospitaller report we would like to know because then people don't have to wait for it.

The original intention was to have a consolidated report of our Order.

The question is if this is possible. Maybe we have to agree with a listing of the activities of the different jurisdictions. Or a way in between. This depends on the answer of the question in how far the Hospitaller committee is able to solve the problems of incompatibility. Definitions have to be made and the registration of the different jurisdictions should be done in the same way.

To discuss a couple of the problems:

✦ What is a "hands – on – hour" and how should it be valued (or should it not be valued?)

If somebody is assisting in a nursing home or hospice for example, it is quite obvious that this should be seen as hands – on hours. What, however, if somebody is walking to Santiago di Compostella and is sponsored per walking kilometre for a charity project of the Order? Those walking hours, are they hands – on hours? What if somebody is organizing a charity dinner or concert? What if somebody is collecting emergency supplies such as medicines, medical supplies, food and shelter, and is loading and shipping a container with those supplies?

✦ What is the value of emergency supplies?

It is possible to get a lot of emergency supplies for free. But what is the value of them? If they are depreciated they still have an economic value. If this is not the case then don't bother to collect them, to buy a container and to transport them.

✦ There are a lot of organizations related to our Order.

In how far is their Hospitaller and charitable work a credit of our Order?

✦ It is not known for the moment if this list is up to date.

The Grand Hospitaller and his committee should investigate this. Below two (2) organizations are mentioned because they are incorporated in the annual Hospitaller report of the jurisdiction.





Foreword - continuous –

✱ **Hilfswerk Deutscher Zahnärzte (German Dentist Relief Organisation, further called HDZ).**

This organization spent in 2013 **€ 804,000** on projects all over the world for people in need in cooperation with the Grand Bailiwick of Germany.

✱ **Lazarus Hilfswerk Germany.**

This organization was founded in 1971-1972 by a member of the European Humanitarian Grand Priory. At the moment they are incorporated in the German health care system because they are running homes for elderly people, nursing homes, and an ambulance service for handicapped people and day groups for young people with education problems. Their yearly turnover is 8.0 million Euros. Together with people of the European Humanitarian Grand Priory they build Welfare Stations in Poland (Ermland Masuren). Their turnover is **€ 84,000**.

Atavis et Armis

Dr. Axel Mittelstaedt, GCLJ, MD

Grand Hospitaller

Footnote:

These organisations are connected with the Order but it is not the money of the Order and the money is not collected by the Order.

- ✱ Lazarus Hilfswerk Germany.
- ✱ Hilfswerk Deutscher Zahnärzte (German Dentist Relief Organisation, further called HDZ).
- ✱ Welfare Stations in Poland (Ermland Masuren).





7. GENERAL OVERVIEW

Actually it has little use to give a general overview because it is very difficult to compare the reports of the different jurisdictions and they are not compatible.

Some jurisdictions value the emergency supplies they sent, others only mention that they sent for example a container full of medical supplies without mentioning anything further.

Most of the jurisdictions mentioned that they spent a lot of hands – on – hours. Some of them give a number, others don't. Some of the jurisdictions valued the hands – on – hours in monetary terms, others don't. As far as the number of hands – on hours is mentioned, they are valued at € 10. per hour.

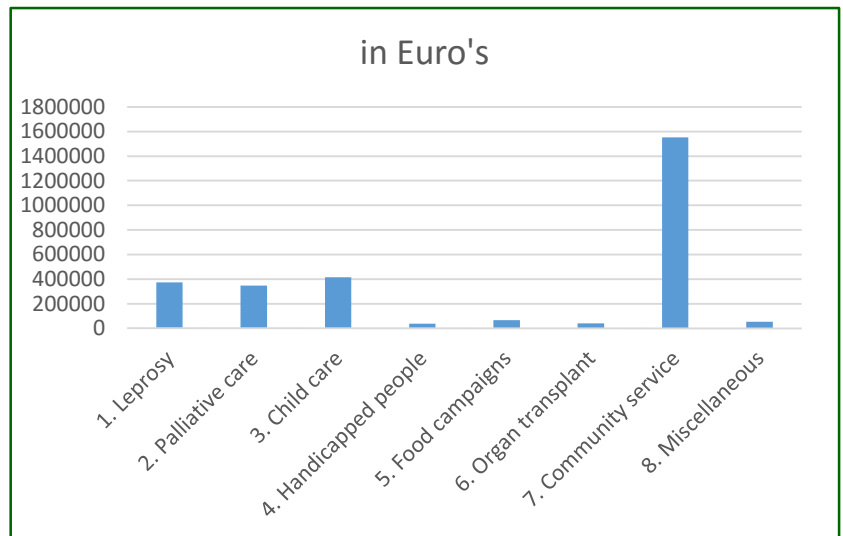
If you look at the figures below, you have to keep this in mind.

Value of the Hospitaller activities (**in Euro's**) as far as an amount is given:

Figures in Euro's for humanitarian aid:

1.	Leprosy	373,975
2.	Palliative care	346,913
3.	Child care	415,257
4.	Handicapped people	36,674
5.	Food campaigns	65,129
6.	Organ transplant	41,236
7.	Community service	1,551,987
8.	Miscellaneous	51,980

Total		2,883,151



Cooperating organizations¹:

"Lazarus Hilfswerk" Germany	7,451,000
German Dentist Relief Organization	830,000
Welfare stations Poland (Ermland Masuren)	84,000
Lazarus Public Charitable Trust Liechtenstein	AaR ²

¹ Look to the footnote on page 9

² As a reminder: The organization is trying to raise € 4,500,000 in a couple of years.





8. Leprosy and Tuberculosis

8.1. Leprosy history



Leprosy is an infectious disease that causes severe, disfiguring skin sores and nerve damage in the arms and legs. The disease has been around since ancient times, often surrounded by terrifying, negative stigmas and tales of leprosy patients being shunned as outcasts. Outbreaks of leprosy have affected, and panicked, people on every continent. The oldest civilizations of China, Egypt and India feared leprosy was an incurable, mutilating and contagious disease.

Child with leprosy <http://www.who.int/lep/en/>

Evidence of leprosy

The causative agent of leprosy, *Mycobacterium-leprae*, dates back to ancient Egypt in 4000 BCE and was discussed by Hippocrates in 460 BCE. Leprosy has existed for thousands of years, dating back to the earliest civilizations of China, Egypt and India. From as early as 600 B.C. there is evidence of Chaulmoogra Oil (a tree found in Eastern India) being used to ameliorate symptoms of the disease. Written accounts are common in ancient literature such as the Bible, and even earlier in Susrutha, regarded as the first Indian book on surgery, dating back to 400 B.C.



Hydnocarpus wightianus (or more commonly *Hydnocarpus wightiana*) or **Chaulmoogra** is a tree in the Achariaceae family. *Hydnocarpus wightiana* seed oil has been widely used in Indian medicine and Chinese traditional medicine for the treatment of leprosy. It entered early Western medicine in the nineteenth century before the era of sulphonamides and other antibiotics for the treatment of several skin diseases and leprosy. The oil was prescribed for leprosy as a mixture suspended in gum or as an emulsion.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hydnocarpus_wightiana_seed_oil

The earliest proven human case was verified by DNA taken from the shrouded remains of a man discovered in a tomb next to the Old City of Jerusalem dated by radiocarbon methods to 1–50 BCE. The term leprosy is derived from either the Indo–European term *lap*, which means the removal of scales or the Greek word for scales, *leper*. Historically people infected were often confined against their will in leper colonies, and they were required to carry a bell to identify their presence. Treatments have included arsenic in Medieval times, elephants' teeth, creosote and mercury.





8.1.2 Why is leprosy called Hansen's disease



Mycobacterium-leprae was discovered by G. H. Armauer Hansen in Norway in 1873, making it the first bacterium to be identified as causing disease in humans. The first effective treatment (promin) became available in the 1940s. The search for further effective anti-leprosy drugs led to the use of clofazimine and rifampicin in the 1960s and 1970s. <http://www.andycot.com/stamp-timbre/5966/norvege>

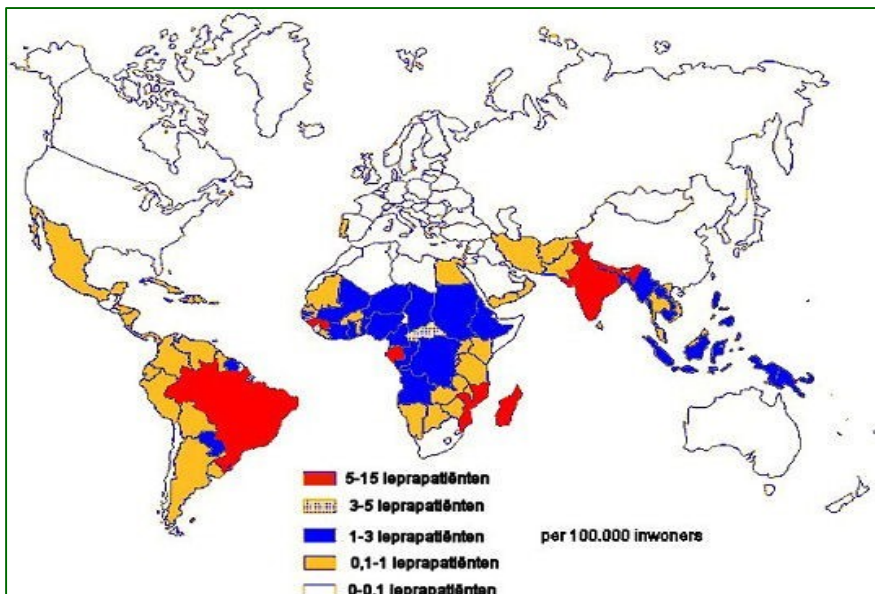
Later, Indian scientist Shantaram Yawalkar and his colleagues formulated a combined therapy using rifampicin and dapsone, intended to mitigate bacterial resistance. Multidrug therapy (MDT) combining all three drugs was first recommended by the WHO in 1981. These three anti-leprosy drugs are still used in the standard MDT regimens. Although the medicines are given for free by the WHO, a lot of people still don't get the right treatment, which also has something to do with the social environment and the willingness (and ability) of governments to provide the medicines.

8.1.3 Leprosy today³

Leper colonies or houses

Leper colonies or houses became widespread in the Middle Ages, particularly in Europe and India, and they were often run by monastic orders. Historically, leprosy has been greatly feared because highly contagious.

Prevalence of leprosy per 100,000 inhabitants 2012



A leper colony administered by a Roman Catholic order was often called a lazaretto, after Lazarus, the patron saint of lepers. A leper colony, leprosarium or lazaretto is a place to quarantine people with leprosy, which is also known as Hansen's disease.

The term lazaretto can refer to quarantine sites, which were at some time also leper colonies.

Some colonies were located on mountains or in remote locations in order to ensure quarantine, some on main roads, where donations would be made for their upkeep.

³<http://www.who.int/lep/en/>





8.1.4 Europe's last leper colony

*In Tichilești, in the Danube delta, 19 patients continue to live in Europe's last leper colony. Evenimentul Zilei reports from a location that was long kept secret by Romanian authorities.*¹

Mihnea Petru Pârvu:

Open sores, exposed bones, missing fingers... In the 1990s, when journalists discovered the leper colony in Tichilești in the eastern Romanian county of Tulcea, they barely had words to describe the horror of an institution whose existence had long been hidden by state authorities. Twenty years later, much has changed: mainly thanks to one man who devoted his medical knowledge and his remarkable communication skills to make Tichilești an idyllic hospice for patients suffering from a disease that was long believed to be incurable.

When he first arrived in Tichilești in 1991, Răzvan Vasiliu had never seen a leper outside of the pages of a book. At the time, there were 61 people at the colony, which today is home to 19 residents. Now aged 53, Vasiliu has become Romania's only expert on the disease



Until recently, the lepers were isolated.

Initially a monastery, which provided care for leprosy victims on an informal basis, Tichilești was granted official status only to see it revoked again shortly afterwards. "The leper colony that was officially founded in 1900 was dismantled by the Bulgarians who took over the region of Dobruja. In 1924, the renowned Romanian journalist Brunea Fox published a shocking feature report entitled "Five days among the lepers," which alerted authorities and

civil society to the plight of the settlement. When the survivors were finally carted back to the colony on an August night in 1928, there were 180 of them," recounts Răzvan Vasiliu.

"Until 1990, leprosy was a taboo subject for the authorities, but the patients were well looked after," remarks the doctor. "They had already been given up for dead, and no one was to know about it. As for myself, I have always treated the patients like human beings. At times they fight with each other and their quarrels have to be resolved. The last time that happened, the argument was over whether they would watch a series or a match on television. I listened to both sides, and finally decided just to give them my TV," he remarks, smiling.

The doctor occupies one of the houses in the "residential settlement" built over 60 years ago, staying there five days a week for a monthly salary of 2,600 lei or 650 Euros per month. He is also one of only a handful of doctors in Romania who does not benefit from bribes. The leprosy patients receive 80 bani (20 euro cents) per day of government benefit. Officially, the doctor is the leader of the settlement, although the patients are also represented by a "mayor".

Until recently, the lepers were isolated for aesthetic reasons or because it was erroneously assumed to be necessary. Today all of the residents in the Tichilești hospital can request permission to leave the settlement. However, most of them are elderly, without family, and unable to live alone.

Apart from that, they do also tend to lose bits and pieces of themselves...

1. <http://www.voxeurop.eu/en/content/article/940541-inside-europe-last-leper-s-colony>





8.1.5. "Leprosy is a great lady"



She needs to be taken care of every day,

Hima Dumitru, an 83-year-old Baptist Ukrainian who hails from Chilia Veche, is one of the linchpins of the settlement and its oldest resident. She was a young girl when she was diagnosed with leprosy 65 years ago. Ever since, she has lived in a little house on a low hill overlooking the valley.

"Without this hospice she (Hima Dumitru) doesn't exist"
<http://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-12759393>

"After the war, the man whose statue you saw [in the courtyard of the hospital there is a bust of Dr Alexandru Filipeanu who worked there from 1938 to 1959] gave me pills. I was covered in red lepromas, but after three years of treatment, they all disappeared. I could have left then, but I fell in love with a young orphan, and I married her father."

Then, before returning to read her Bible, she announces: "Leprosy is a great lady". In association with the county government of Tulcea, Dr Vasiliu has founded a retirement home within the leprosy hospital complex. "It is now the most modern in the region, and we are looking after 30 elderly people. We want to put an end to our isolation.

One day, Tichilești could become a geriatric hospital or a palliative care home..." remarks the doctor with a wistful look in his eyes.





8.1.6 Key facts of leprosy (WHO)

- * Leprosy is a chronic disease caused by a slow multiplying bacillus, *Mycobacterium-leprae*.
- * *M. leprae* multiplies slowly and the incubation period of the disease is about 5 years. Symptoms can take as long as 20 years to appear.
- * The disease mainly affects the skin, the peripheral nerves, mucosa of the upper respiratory tract and also the eyes.
- * Leprosy is curable.
- * Although not highly infectious, it is transmitted via droplets, from the nose and mouth, during close and frequent contacts with untreated cases.
- * Early diagnosis and treatment with multidrug therapy (MDT) remains the key in eliminating the disease as a public health concern.
- * Untreated, leprosy can cause progressive and permanent damage to the skin, nerves, limbs and eyes.
- * Official figures from 103 countries from 5 WHO regions show the global registered prevalence of leprosy to be at 180,618 at the end of 2013; during the same year, 215,656 new cases were reported.

8.1.7 WHO Multidrug Therapy (MDT)



Since 1995, WHO has supplied MDT free of cost to leprosy patients in all endemic countries.

The drugs used in WHO-MDT are a combination of rifampicin, clofazimine and dapsone for MB leprosy patients and rifampicin and dapsone for PB leprosy patients. Among these, rifampicin is the most important anti-leprosy drug and therefore is included in the treatment of both types of leprosy. Treatment of leprosy with only one anti-leprosy drug will always result in development of drug resistance to that drug. Treatment with dapsone or any other anti-leprosy drug used as monotherapy should be considered as unethical practice.

For more information, see <http://www.who.int/lep/mdt/en/>





8.2. Tuberculosis

Is there a connection between leprosy and tuberculosis?⁴

John Pickrell

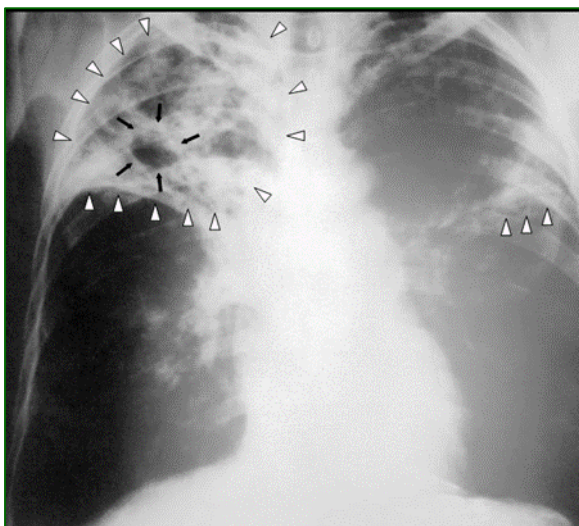
The decline of leprosy in Europe during the Middle Ages may have been due to the rise of a more virulent killer - tuberculosis.

A new DNA study of two dozen skeletons reveals that leprosy victims frequently had TB too. Because TB is more easily transmitted and kills faster than leprosy, victims were more likely to pass on TB before their death.

Leprosy - a bacterial infection of peripheral nerves and skin - wreaked havoc in Europe and the Middle East from biblical times through to the late medieval period. But the disease mysteriously went into decline during the 14th and 15th centuries, shortly before TB rose up as one of the region's most significant epidemic diseases.

*As early as the 1940s scientists had suggested that TB, caused by *Mycobacterium-tuberculosis*, might cross-immunise sufferers from leprosy, caused by the related *Mycobacterium-leprae*. The idea was born when the BCG vaccine for TB occasionally appeared to be effective against leprosy as well.*

"The idea that TB protects against leprosy is a long-standing paradigm" which this study may now turn on its head, says Bruce Rothschild, a skeletal pathologist at the Northeast Ohio Medical University (NEOMED) in Rootstown, Ohio, USA. But he cautions that further tests are required to confirm that the bacterial DNA detected in the bones has been Chest X-ray of a person with advanced tuberculosis:



Infection in both lungs is marked by white arrowheads, and the formation of a cavity is marked by black arrows.

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Tuberculosis-x-ray-1.jpg>

Tuberculosis, MTB, or TB

(short for *tubercle bacillus*), in the past also called **phthisis**, **phthisis pulmonalis**, is a widespread, and in many cases fatal, infectious disease caused by various strains of mycobacteria, usually *Mycobacterium-tuberculosis*. Tuberculosis typically attacks the lungs, but can also affect other parts of the body.

It is spread through the air when people who have an active TB infection cough, sneeze, or otherwise transmit respiratory fluids through the air.^[2] Most infections do not have symptoms, known as latent tuberculosis. About one in ten latent infections eventually progresses to active disease which, if left untreated, kills more than 50% of those so infected.⁵

⁴ John Pickrell, February 2005, <https://www.newscientist.com/article/dn6986-leprosys-decline-caused-by-rise-of-tb/>

⁵ Wikipedia





Tuberculosis - continuous -

Is there a connection between leprosy and tuberculosis?⁶

One-third of the world's population is thought to have been infected with *M. tuberculosis*, and new infections occur in about 1% of the population each year. In 2007, an estimated 13.7 million chronic cases were active globally, while in 2013, an estimated 9 million new cases occurred. In 2013 there were between 1.3 and 1.5 million associated deaths, most of which occurred in developing countries. The total number of tuberculosis cases has been decreasing since 2006, and new cases have decreased since 2002. The rate of tuberculosis in different areas varies across the globe; about 80% of the population in many Asian and African countries tests positive in tuberculin tests, while only 5-10% of the United States population tests positive. More people in the developing world contract tuberculosis because of a poor immune system, largely due to high rates of HIV infection and the corresponding development of AIDS.

8.2.1. Mycobacterium-leprae and Mycobacterium-tuberculosis

Cell structure and Metabolism

Mycobacteria are rod-shaped, Gram-positive aerobes, or facultative anaerobes. As deduced from its genome, *M. tuberculosis* has the potential to manufacture all of the machinery necessary to synthesize all of its essential vitamins, amino acids and enzyme co-factors. On the other hand, the inability to culture *M. leprae* suggests that it has lost many of its metabolic capabilities, and is now an obligate parasite, dependent on its host for most of its nutritional needs. This goes in accordance with its severely degenerated genome. *M. tuberculosis* has an unusual cell wall, with an additional layer beyond the peptidoglycan layer, which is rich in unusual lipids, glycolipids, and polysaccharides.



Left:
Mycobacterium-leprae microsc
Right:
Mycobacterium-tuberculosis

8.2.2 Tuberculosis in our “modern” society

Tuberculosis is becoming more and more a threat in our modern society. What leprosy was in the past tuberculosis is now-a-days, especially among the homeless people in our society.

According to a recent census in Romania (2011), there are approximately 23,000 individuals that make up the disadvantaged population of homeless people of Bucharest. These individuals constitute one of the most vulnerable groups of population, most of them accumulating several risk factors for TB, and rarely actively address the health system to ask for care. Therefore, they are an important reservoir of TB. Moreover, they are also prone to poor compliance to treatment, with very few completing the required 6 months therapy. Subsequently, the lack of compliance leads to the selection of drug resistant TB strains, which is a major global public health threat.⁷

Given the fact that TB is highly infectious the question is:

“What are we going to do about it?”

It is by the way almost certain that homeless people with TB are not only found in the subway of Bucharest but - for example - also in New York, Amsterdam and Rome.

⁶ John Pickrell, February 2005

⁷ Professor Bogdan, Hospitaller Grand Priory of Romania





9. Contribution of our Order in the Battle against Leprosy

Flagship Project

Every member of the Order internationally was asked to contribute € 5, to support the surgical activities of the Leprosy Hospital “GANDHIJI SEVA NIKETAN” in Bhubaneswar, India (50 surgical beds).



<https://www.facebook.com/vision.teilen/photos>

Dr. Remy Luc Rousselot reported:

“In 2014 **€ 9,200.** was received from the Military and Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus (various jurisdictions). In spite of the sharp increase of the costs of electricity and food in our State of Odisha, the average daily costs for one leprosy patient admitted for surgery has been kept to only € 4.13 last year, all inclusive. In 2014 there were 637 operations performed. The leprosy patients are coming for admission and surgery mainly from the two large leprosy colonies in Cuttack (the biggest city of Odisha) and from the 5 Leprosy Colonies of the State Capital Bhubaneswar, as well as from all the 30 districts of Odisha”.

Grand Priory of New Zealand



Sponsorship of the University of Otago regarding the St Lazarus Dermatology Prize (**€ 300.**)



Sponsorship of the Wellington Medical Research Foundation (**€ 300.**)

Grand Bailiwick of the Netherlands

The Grand Bailiwick donated **€ 500, for Fontilles** in Spain (see next page) and **€ 260, for the flagship project** (see above).





Contribution of our Order in the battle against Leprosy - continuation -

Grand Priory of Spain

The Order received applications from doctors all around the world **to benefit from the scholarship programs in Fontilles**. Fontilles is a Spanish NGO founded in 1902 to take care of leprosy patients.



"fontilles", Spain

In 1909, the "San Francisco de Borja" Sanatorium was opened and had a main role in the elimination of leprosy in Spain. Nowadays, the Sanatorium is a reference centre in the fight against leprosy.

In 1986 Fontilles began to work abroad, in countries where leprosy is still present, with the same objective: "to take care of people affected by leprosy, giving remedies, physical and social rehabilitation, and the assistance to other diseases or present exclusions".

€ 3,300. - was paid for scholarships.

Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands

The support undertaken by the Grand Priory towards **two old "adopted" Maltese surviving victims of leprosy is still ongoing**. While now completely cured and living in the community, the brother and sister couple contracted the disease in childhood and were immediately segregated in the Leprosarium to be eventually released in adulthood. They still carry all the stigmata of their disease.

In 2014 the Grand Priory **donated € 40,540**. total to support the Victims of Hansen's disease [Leprosy].

Grand Priory of Australia



The Priory donated 5,000 Australian dollars (**3,550. Euro**) to the **Leprosy mission Australia**. The Leprosy Mission was founded in 1874 by Irishman, Wellesley Bailey, to assist those affected by leprosy. 140 years later, it is the largest and oldest leprosy-focused organisation in the world.

While the prospects for people affected by leprosy have vastly improved, leprosy remains a disease that destroys lives and blights communities. Today, The Leprosy Mission Australia is working in some of the poorest countries of the world to meet the physical, social, spiritual, and physiological needs of those suffering from leprosy and other forms of disability.

Grand Priory in Canada

✦ Donation of 1,000 Canadian dollars (**Euro 740**) to the **Little Flower Mission in India**.

The Little Flower was founded in the village of Sundepur in 1981. The aims and objectives of Little Flower are to provide treatment free of charge to any one afflicted with leprosy regardless of caste, creed or colour and undertaking, a programme of healing and care.

✦ They also donated the same amount (**Euro 740**) to the **Naini Leprosy hospital in India**, see next page.





Contribution of our Order in the battle against Leprosy - continuation -

Grand Priory in Canada

Naini is a growing suburb of Allahabad, a city of about two million people. The land on which the Naini Hospital is located has served those with leprosy since 1830, when a home for leprosy beggars was opened. In 1902, the hospital opened on the same site. The Leprosy Mission Hospital, Naini now stands as one of the foremost leprosy hospitals in the state. In addition to the city of Allahabad, the hospital serves an area of about 1,267 square kilometres, and a population of about 900,000 people.

Grand Bailiwick of Austria

The Grand Bailiwick made

- * **charitable contributions for the lepers in Romania** (together with the brothers and sisters of the Order in Germany);
- * **a donation of € 1,000. = to the China Leprosy Service especially for a boarding school** for children of lepers living in a closed village nearby. This boarding school is situated near the village Shih Zhong in South-China, Province of Yunnan. With that amount they were able to reconstruct and build up modern and sanitary washrooms and toilets for more than 300 children.



The boarding school for children of lepers



The new building financed by the GB of Austria

Grand Priory of Finland

- * A donation of **€ 788.** was made to the flagship project of the Order, the Leprosy Hospital in Bhubaneswar, India (Dr. Rémy Rousselot) (see above).

Grand Priory of Greece

- * A donation of **€ 270.** was made to the flagship project of the Order, the Leprosy Hospital in Bhubaneswar, India (Dr. Rémy Rousselot) (see above).

Grand Commandery of the Castello

- * **An amount of € 9,300** was paid to buy an ambulance for the leper colony in Dattapur.



The ambulance in use in Nagpur



They all come over for a look.





Contribution of our Order in the battle against Leprosy - continuation -
- continuation Grand Commandery of the Castello-



Leah Pattison grew up in Weardale, County Durham and after graduating with a Fine Arts degree she undertook some voluntary work in India in 1995. This involved working at a Leprosy colony in Dattapur, Wardha, where her task was to teach English to young girls at the hostel there. This experience totally altered her life plan to become an artist.

Leah was so moved by the particular plight of the women and children she encountered suffering from leprosy that she found herself returning to India and to Dattapur to continue working there.

In 1997 Leah was to experience first-hand the ordeal of her new friends when she herself contracted leprosy. It required a year of treatment before Leah was pronounced clear of the disease.

At Dattapur she had met and become close friends with a young Indian woman called Usha Patil, who had suffered severely from leprosy from the age of ten and who had undergone nine years of treatment and reconstructive surgery before being freed from the disease. Their friendship became a special bond formed through the sharing of adversity.

Usha was the first person to notice the symptoms of Leah's leprosy and so, as Leah had supported Usha through her illness, Usha now sustained Leah through her own crisis. The outcome was that they both decided to devote their future to the care of leprosy sufferers and, towards this end, they both qualified as leprosy paramedical workers at the Gandhi Memorial Leprosy Foundation in Wardha in 1999.

The Grand Commandery of the Castello has actively supported this project for the past year. We are driven by two facts. First, we talk directly to Leah's mother, Sandra, who lives in Bishop Auckland, Co Durham and works as Leah's administrative support. From Sandra we can get minute by minute updates on the project progress and it is directly to Sandra that our donations are sent.⁸

Grand Bailiwick of Scotland

As ever they donated 1,000 GBP (€ 1,410.) to the **Leprosy Mission** which organization they have supported over very many years. Founded in 1874, The Leprosy Mission is an international Christian charity that works in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, bringing healing and justice to people affected by leprosy. Its ultimate goal is to eradicate the causes and consequences of leprosy. The Leprosy Mission is a global fellowship. The member countries are partners in the drive to deliver healing and justice to bring about a world without leprosy. The members work together, facilitated and supported by the International Co-ordination Office, to ensure that the programmes in each Implementing Country are appropriately targeted, resourced and delivered to achieve maximum impact in the fight against leprosy.⁹



⁸ <http://www.stlazarus-mt.org/index.php?s=content&p=charitablesupport>

⁹ http://www.tlmscotland.org.uk/about_us.php





Contribution of our Order in the battle against Leprosy - continuation -

Grand Priory of America (GPA)

✦ There are 13 Hansen's disease clinics in the United States, supported in part by the US Public Health Service, in which the GPA supports patient travel, supplies and other materials needed for the care of leprosy afflicted patients.

✦ Emory University Hansen's Disease Clinic, US \$ 12,000 (€ 10,932)

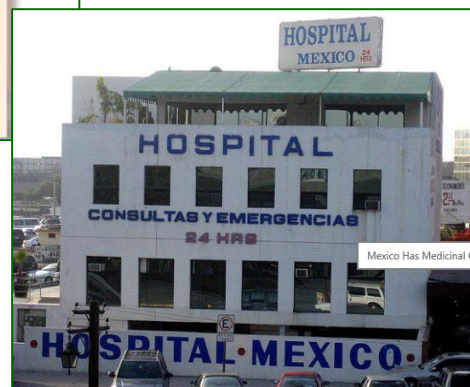
✦ University of Miami Hansen's Disease Clinics, US \$ 15,000 (€ 13,660)

✦ Rising Star Outreach, US \$ 75,000 (€ 68,323). RSO is an NGO, founded in Atlanta and based in Chennai, India, dedicated to the treatment of leprosy afflicted patients in southern India. Included in our multi-year funding of RSO have been micro-lending programs for leprosy afflicted beggars, mobile medical vans and medical supplies.

To date, the GPA has contributed over US \$350,000 (€ 319,897) to Rising Star Outreach.

✦ Mexico Clinics, US \$65,000 (€ 59,213). – **The GPA, along with the Delegation of Mexico,** have supported three leprosy clinics in Mexico for many years. Combined, these clinics serve many hundreds of leprosy afflicted patients and their families in rural Mexico.

To date, the GPA has contributed well over US \$750,000 to our colleagues in Mexico who serve those in need.





Contribution of our Order in the battle against Leprosy - continuation -

- * The Midwest Commandery of the GPA continues to support the work of their new Almoner, Dr. Carlotta Hill Rotman, CLJ, Director of the University of Illinois Hansen's Disease Clinic - that provides treatment to those in the Midwest who have Hansen's disease. Funds will be provided to her for professional development as requested biannually.
- * They donated US \$ 800 (€ 729) to Jennifer Baker, MD, infectious disease resident, University of Miami, to provide transportation and registration assistance for her to attend the National Hansen's Disease annual meeting in Carville, Louisiana.

Delegation of Mexico

During the past year (2014), the Mexican Delegation continued to work with three different clinics located in Morelia, Irapuato and La Barca, Jalisco. In each one of them, they have been taking care of people who suffer from leprosy and its consequences. They fund all their activities with the annual donation that the Grand Priory of America made for the amount of US \$65,000.00, which is distributed between the clinics (**\$25,000.00- Irapuato; \$25,000.00 - Morelia; \$15,000.00 - La Barca**).

In addition to this, each member of the Mexican Delegation makes a personal contribution. The senior members pay 20,000 pesos per year (approximately US\$1,500) and the younger ones who have entered the Order more recently pay 8,000 pesos (approximately US \$620.00), intended for the operation of the clinics. At the moment there are 16 active members of which 6 are recently invested. **Therefore total US \$ 16,257 = € 14,792.**

They own three vans that are used for the operation of the centres. The ones used in Irapuato and Morelia date from 2004. The third one, used in La Barca, dates from 2014. **All of them were bought thanks to a donation made by Mrs. Maite García Urtiaga, Madrid, Spain who is a good friend of our former Delegate, Manuel Marrón, KCLJ.**

During 2014, the Commandery of the South of the GPA sponsored a visit by researchers Dr. Iris Estrada, PhD and her assistant. Both of them spent a week at the National Hansen's Disease Laboratory in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, learning how to manage nude rats for research purposes. This training will enable them to do research on a new variety of leprosy called *mycobacterium-leprae*, which has been found in some Mexican migrants in the USA, as well as in certain areas of Mexico, such as the coast of Oaxaca.



LEPROSY oficial

Tour Dates 2015

On Tour | 6 Upcoming Tour Dates

TOUR DATES	PAST DATES	
Date	Venue	Location
Aug 07	Jalisco	Guadalajara, Mexico
Aug 08	SILAO	Santa Teresa, Mexico
Aug 09	Irapuato	Guanajuato, Mexico
Aug 28	Uruapan	Michoacan, Mexico
Aug 29	Zamora	Michoacan, Mexico





Contribution of our Order in the battle against Leprosy - continuation -

- Continuation Delegation of Mexico –

Morelia is a city and municipality in the north central part of the state of Michoacán in central Mexico. The city is in the Guayangareo Valley and is the capital and largest city of the state Cathedral of Morelia. The centre in Morelia, Michoacán is run by Sister Marisol Corredor, who has been in charge since February, 2013. She works there full time, along with two other nuns. All of them are part of the Order of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, founded in Colombia, with which we have been working from the start. The clinic consists basically of a two-floor building in downtown Morelia, which offers medical assistance to patients mainly suffering from leprosy or its sequels, but in many cases compounded by other illnesses. On the second floor there is a laboratory for clinical analysis, where blood samples are studied at a reasonable cost, helping to pay for the clinic's expenses.

Beside the attention provided at the clinic, patients are also visited at their homes, spread over 10 municipalities, using a white Express Van painted with the green emblem of the Order. A close coordination with the State Ministry of Health is very important, since it has assured free medicines (imported case by case and manufactured by Novartis Laboratories in Switzerland) for all the patients. During 2014, over 400 patients with sequelae were treated at the clinic. There were 1,302 medical consultations performed and a total of 1,457 laboratory studies. Another important accomplishment this year was the acquisition of a new semi - automatic chemistry analyzer for the laboratory, paid for with funds provided by the Grand Priory of America, which donated US \$7,000 for this purpose.

Irapuato is a Mexican city (and municipality) located at the foot of the Arandas mountain (in Spanish: *Cerro de Arandas*), in the south central region of the state of Guanajuato.



Left: Cathedral of Morelia

Right: City center of La Barca



In addition to this, Dr. Anaya, a dermatologist, works at the clinic every morning from Monday to Saturday. During 2014 they gave medical attention to patients spread out over 12 municipalities, performing approximately 1,250 consultations and 666 rehabilitation treatments.

La Barca, Jalisco. In La Barca, they joined efforts with a group of volunteers working with leprosy patients since 2009. The current head of the operation (there is no clinic as such, they only visit the towns adjoining La Barca with an M.D. and a nurse), is Mrs. Guadalupe Espinosa, who leads a small group of volunteers. The whole staff consists of three persons: an M.D., a van driver and a registered nurse, plus an accountant who works part-time for them. All of them seek the well-being of 65 registered patients that are visited at their own homes, and in some cases leprosy tests are performed on close relatives of the patients or former patients of leprosy in order to detect new cases.

Every month they get donations of canned food at each centre from a very important Mexican brand, called "Hérdez", which is a great help to the families. In addition, they also occasionally get donations from another company called Grupo Mar, which provides them with canned tuna and chicken that are also very well received by the families of their patients.





Contribution of our Order in the battle against Leprosy - continuation -

Grand Priory of Sweden

Fundings to international organisations focused on leprosy and children. Lepramissions and Helping Hand world aid and mission and Adoptivcentrum. SEK 100,000 (€ 10,617).

They also contributed US 1,000 (€ 911) to the Leprosy Hospital Bhubaneswar in India.

Grand Priory of England & Wales

- * Bankura Mercy Home for the Elderly (2nd of three annual grants). £30,000 (€ 41,270)
Snehalayas (care homes) are for elderly people affected by leprosy, usually with multiple disabilities, who have no families or caregivers. TLM India provides them shelter, medical care, food, clothing, and a safe and dignified life through five Snehalayas in Faizabad, Naini, Purulia, Bankura and Almora. TLM also works to unite these elderly people with their families.
- * The Leprosy Mission and Vidiyal Trust. Gifts from pilgrims at the Grand Master's Pilgrimage to Walsingham £1,200 (€ 1,651)
- * The trustees committed a further £54,000 consisting of a final payment of £30,000 to The Leprosy Mission for work in Bankura which has been supported for the previous two years; £3,000 per year for three years to the Vidiyal Trust for work with leprosy sufferers in India; up to £15,000 to EMMS International to support medical electives studying tropical diseases. Total € 74,512
- * Leprosy Mission: GBP 5,362 (€ 7,396) The Leprosy Mission is an international Christian charity with 140 years of experience. Through The Leprosy Mission's global family we serve a population of 305 million people in around 30 leprosy-affected countries.

Grand Priory of France

- * Continued partnership of the Grand Priory of France, with the Follereau Foundation.
(World Day Lepers)

Overview Hospice and Palliative Care without volunteers hours					
In Euro's					
We have international members, we have the agreement to pay 5 euro per member. The total amount from the members (€4,600) 9,200.					
Austria	>	1,000	Maltese Islands	>	40,540
Australia	>	5,030	Mexico	>	14,792
Castello	>	9,300	Netherlands	>	760
England-Wales	>	124,829	New Zealand	>	300
Finland	>	788	Scotland	>	1,410
France	>	Continuous contribution	Spain	>	3,300
Greece	>	270	Sweden	>	11,528
GPA	>	985,012			



10. Hospice Care and Palliative Care



Hospice care and Palliative care are very similar when it comes to the most important issue for dying people: **care**. Most people have heard of hospice care and have a general idea of what services hospice provides. What they don't know or what may become confusing is that hospice provides "palliative care", and that palliative care is both a method of administering "comfort" care and increasingly, an administered system of palliative care offered most prevalently by hospitals. As an adjunct or supplement to some of the more "traditional" care options, both hospice and palliative care protocols call for patients to receive a combined approach where medications, day- to-day care, equipment, bereavement counselling and symptom treatment are administered through a single program. Where palliative care programs and hospice care programs differ greatly is in the care location, timing, payment and eligibility for services.¹⁰

WHO Definition of Palliative Care¹¹

Palliative care is an approach that improves the quality of life of patients and their families facing the problems associated with life-threatening illnesses, through the prevention and relief of suffering by means of early identification and impeccable assessment and treatment of pain and other problems, physical, psychosocial and spiritual.

Palliative care:

- ✳ Provides relief from pain and other distressing symptoms;
- ✳ Affirms life and regards dying as a normal process;
- ✳ It tends neither to hasten nor postpone death;
- ✳ Integrates the psychological and spiritual aspects of patient care;
- ✳ Offers a support system to help patients live as actively as possible until death;
- ✳ Offers a support system to help the family cope during the patient's illness and in their own bereavement;
- ✳ Uses a team approach to address the needs of patients and their families, including bereavement counselling, if indicated;
- ✳ Will enhance quality of life, and may also positively influence the course of illness;
- ✳ Is applicable early in the course of illness, in conjunction with other therapies that are intended to prolong life, such as chemotherapy or radiation therapy, and includes those investigations needed to better understand and manage distressing clinical complications.

¹⁰<http://www.caregiverslibrary.org/caregivers-resources/grp-end-of-life-issues/hsgpr-hospice/hospice-vs-palliative-care-article.aspx>

¹¹<http://www.who.int/cancer/palliative/definition/en/>



Hospice Care and Palliative Care - continuation -



Logo from Kids Care Nemours

WHO Definition of Palliative Care for Children

Palliative care for children represents a special, albeit closely related field to adult palliative care. WHO's definition of palliative care appropriate for children and their families is as follows; the principles apply to other paediatric chronic disorders (WHO; 1998a):

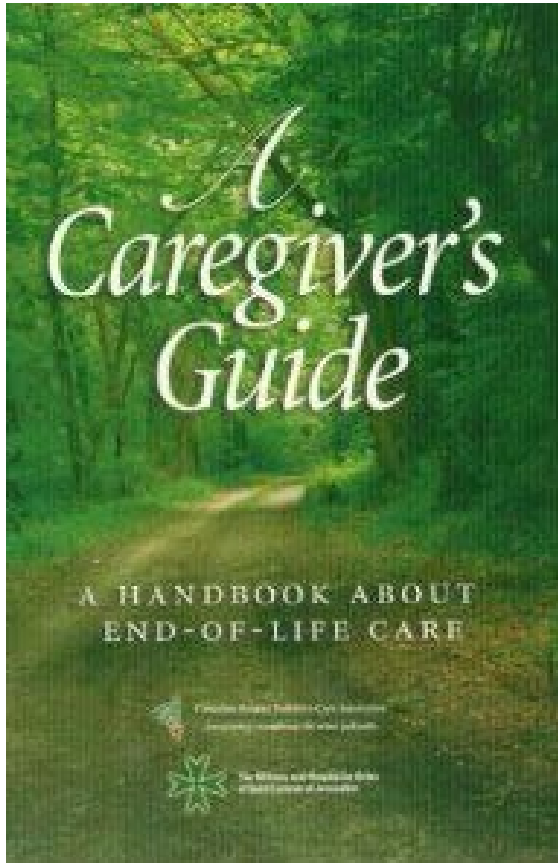
- ✦ Palliative care for children is the active total care of the child's body, mind and spirit, and also involves giving support to the family.
- ✦ It begins when illness is diagnosed, and continues regardless of whether or not a child receives treatment directed at the disease.
- ✦ Health providers must evaluate and alleviate a child's physical, psychological and social distress.
- ✦ Effective palliative care requires a broad multidisciplinary approach that includes the family and makes use of available community resources; it can be successfully implemented even if resources are limited.
- ✦ It can be provided in tertiary care facilities, in community health centres and even in children's homes.





11. Contribution of our Order in the field of Hospice Care and Palliative Care

Below an overview will be given about the contributions of the different jurisdictions of our Order.



A Caregiver's Guide was first published in Alberta, Canada in 2000 as a project of the Edmonton and Calgary commanderies and developed in association with the Alberta Hospice Palliative Care Association and the Edmonton Regional Palliative Care Program. The Order of St. Lazarus contributed significantly to all aspects of the publication and also raised the funds needed to print and distribute the first 20,000 copies. After numerous requests for a revised, national edition of *A Caregiver's Guide* were received from across Canada, and with the encouragement of Senator Sharon Carstairs, then Minister with Special Responsibility for Palliative Care, in 2005 the Order of St. Lazarus committed to support the publication of a national edition endorsed by the Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association (CHPCA). With funding from the Order, 50,000 copies of *A Caregiver's Guide*, and 15,000 of the French translation *Guide des aidants naturels*, were printed and distributed to Canadian caregivers via hospice palliative care programs associated with the CHPCA.

Special notice has to be given to the outstanding efforts of the Grand Priory in Canada for producing the **Caregiver's Guide, a handbook about end-of-life care.**

15,000 of the French translation *Guide des aidants naturels* were printed and distributed to Canadian caregivers via hospice palliative care programs associated with the CHPCA.

Moreover, the Order of St. Lazarus has also supported the translation and publication of international editions of *A Caregiver's Guide* in Portugal, Australia, China and Japan; several European countries are currently exploring the potential for its translation and use. *A Caregiver's Guide* is an example of how the Order of St. Lazarus serves others by identifying community needs and developing strategies to help fulfil them.¹²

¹² <http://www.stlazarus.ca/>





Contribution of our Order in the field of Hospice Care and Palliative Care - continuation -

Grand Priory of Australia

The Tasmania Hospitaller Christopher Merridew reports donations to the **Gibson and Whittle Palliative Wards** and **The Menzies Foundation** for a total Australian \$16,265 (**€ 11,595**). (The Menzies Foundation supports scholarships in allied health, engineering, law, medical research and other disciplines.)

Grand Priory in Canada

- * To establish a hospice, purchasing the former Rosary Hall in Fredericton's downtown core with 10 palliative suites, Can \$5.000 (**€ 3,715**) – located in New Brunswick.
- * Distributing 600 copies of the Caregiver's Guide to End of Life Care in French, English and Aboriginal languages to 100 remote mostly fly in Aboriginal communities in the Labrador, Northern Quebec, Nunavut, NWT, Yukon and a few southern based facilities serving Northerners, Can \$12.000 Transport costs Can \$ 3,372 (**€ 2,505.**); Hours on project: 247. Total € 13,891.
- * Research, designing, producing and distributing 500 specifically designed multiuse palliative care blankets for culturally appropriate use in 100 remote Aboriginal communities. Hours on project: 87. € 870.
- * The Arctic Delegation is building a partnership with Avens – A Community for seniors which is developing a 60 room, \$30 million transitional living complex. The Arctic Delegation's focus is on including a \$2 million palliative care pod with 3 patient rooms and visiting family accommodations within this larger project. The land has been acquired, initial designs prepared, and a fund raiser hired. Lazarus members are playing leading roles in advancing the project - including chairing the implementation committee, providing medical oversight and fundraising. While there is still considerable uncertainty about funding, we are pleased to report that the site preparation work began in October 2014. Can \$ 90,000 (**€ 66,898.**); hours on project: 317. Total **€ 70,068**.
- * The Arctic Delegation participated in an extremely insightful seminar by renowned dementia care expert Teepa Snow titled Positive Approach to Brain Change. Sessions included: non-traditional stress management for the caregiver and family with dementia; understanding your role as caregiver; and understanding symptoms and behaviours in dementia. Teepa's approach to her subject was caring and very thoughtful. It generated a greater understanding of issues surrounding home and nursing care of those with this terminal disease. Teepa Snow would be an excellent speaker at a Chapter General. We are working with the Northern palliative care community to consider inviting another similar quality speaker which the Arctic Delegation could assist in funding. Hours: 15. **€ 150**.
- * Three meetings were held with the Aboriginal Elders Group that advises the NWT's regional hospital (NWT = North West Territory). This project is advancing very slowly for two reasons. First is that the Elders want a considerable degree of control over the content which we expect would surpass the comfort level of the other stakeholders and experts.
- * Hospice Calgary runs The Rosedale Hospice, one of the first hospices in Calgary, and the Sage Centre. The Sage Centre provides counselling, support and day programs for terminally ill patients and their loved ones. Their "Living with Cancer" program has a Teenage Support Group that is especially effective. Can \$ 15,000 (**€ 11,146**).





Contribution of our Order in the field of Hospice Care and Palliative Care - continuation -

- continuation Grand Priory in Canada –

- * Second is that the Order is perceived as “wealthy” and the Elders are looking for an initial project likely beyond our capacity, especially with respect to the methods of production and the initial number of aboriginal languages to include. The NWT Commissioner, the Hon. George Tuccaro, KLJ, met with them to discuss how to move forward. Recently discussions between the Department of Health and Social Services and the Aboriginal communities have focused on “end of life issues” which correlates with our DVD project. Hopefully this will help our Delegation to move forward in our negotiations with the Elders group. Hours: 46. € 460.
- * St. Michael’s realized a need for a Mobile Palliative Care Program in their area to support palliative patients outside of a hospital setting. This program required specialized equipment and we were able to fund the purchase of two (2) specialized palliative beds. Can \$ 28,740 (€ 21,361).

Homeless and under-housed individuals have specific preferences for where they’d like to die and on July 2, Inner City Health Associates – a group affiliated with St. Michael’s Hospital –began making their preferences a reality. Palliative Education and Care for the Homeless, or PEACH, is a mobile palliative care program that offers vulnerable individuals the dignity of choosing where to receive end-of-life care. “Most people want to pass away at home with family around them,” said Dr. Naheed Dosani, a palliative care physician with St. Michael’s and Inner City Health Associates. “That sentiment is no different from the patients PEACH aims to treat. The only difference is that our patients’ homes are often a shelter and their families may be shelter clients and staff.” An interdisciplinary team, comprised of a palliative care physician and nurse, will essentially form a mobile palliative unit. The team will go out into the community to meet patients with serious illnesses to provide specialized care and work with the patient’s existing care team.

- * A rural health care facility at the Oilfields General Hospital in Black Diamond, Alberta. There are three active palliative care rooms that were all showing signs of wear and tear. Funding to update the rooms to today’s standards and also to provide a more peaceful and positive experience for those at the end of life and their families was required. Funded the refurbishment of one room. Can \$ 15,591. (€ 11,575.)
- * A provincial “umbrella” organization that supports Palliative Care throughout the entire province. The Edmonton and Calgary Commanderies have shared in the support of the AHPCA “Roadshow” program that is now in its sixth year of operation. This program provides full-day educational workshops, developed in response to an identified need for palliative care training and development, throughout rural Alberta. Can \$ 9,500 (€ 7,057.)
- * The Arctic Delegation is currently developing a scholarship or bursary for post-secondary students normally resident in the Arctic who are pursuing studies or research directly aligned with one or more missions of the Order. Funding has been secured and we are seeking examples of best practices from other Commanderies or Delegations. If we proceed it would be our hope to complete the draft terms of reference for the first quarter 2015. Hours: 27 € 270.
- * Raising funds to assist the Diocese of Fort Smith McKenzie rebuild and repair a number of its aging buildings that serve the public. Can \$ 1,330 (€ 987).
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Contribution of our Order in the field of Hospice Care and Palliative Care - continuation -

- continuation Grand Priory in Canada –

- ✦ A purpose built free standing hospice just south of Calgary, with eight (8) individually contained patient rooms. In the past we have provided funds for specialized equipment and in 2014 we funded the replacement of recliners, sheepskins, gel bath mats and other constantly used items that were wearing out. Can\$ 14,900 (**€ 11,055**).
- ✦ The Drumheller Hospital has started a training program for Palliative Care Volunteers. To assist them in this endeavour the Calgary Commandery supplied them with copies of the Caregiver's Guide. They have reported back that the books are an amazing training reference and are very much appreciated by the volunteers. 20 copies of "A Caregiver's Guide".
- ✦ An ongoing project of the Calgary Commandery in which small cuddly bears are given to hospices and palliative units to be distributed to patients. The bears (stuffed animals) have often become a "link" between those at the end of their lives and loved ones, especially grandchildren, or have become a soft companion that brings a smile. 200 bears supplied to hospices and palliative care units. Can \$ 4,925 (**€ 3,657**)

Volunteer hours to support fundraising, 322 (**€ 3,220**).

- ✦ Presentations to various Hospices, Palliative Care Units and "The Road show";
- ✦ Preparation and delivery; Planning for possible new fundraiser. Hours: 266 (**€ 2,660**)
- ✦ St. Lazarus Bear – Preparation and delivery – 30 hours, Can \$ 2,500 (**€ 1,857**)
- ✦ Planning for possible new fundraiser. Can \$ 2,500 (**€ 1,857**)
- ✦ Equipment for two palliative care rooms. Can \$ 5,000 (**€ 3,714**)
- ✦ Support for Educational Program. Can \$ 9,000 (**€ 6,682**)
- ✦ General operating costs. Can \$ 22,000 (**€ 16,333**)
- ✦ Christmas gifts for Kairos House patients. Can \$ 1,000 (**€ 742**)
- ✦ Providing staff of at least 17 people for two shifts each day for two days. Hours 235. (**€2,350**).
- ✦ Donation to help volunteers attend conferences and clinics. Can\$ 1,000 (**€ 742**). Hours: 1
- ✦ In support of the Bruyere Hospital's Palliative Care program in Ottawa. Can \$ 5,000 (**€ 3,710**)
- ✦ In support of palliative care. Can \$ 30,000 (**€ 22,263.**), Hours: 750 Total (**€ 29,763**)
- ✦ Complete set of dishes donated to support children in palliative care. Can \$ 2,500 (**€ 1,855**)
- ✦ Distribution of "A Caregiver's Guide" to cancer patients in need of their services.
- ✦ Other activities in support of palliative care. Hours: 429 (**€ 4,290**)
- ✦ In support of a Hospice initiative in Muskoka. Can \$ 2,000 (**€ 1,484**)

The Commandery with our partner the Conforsi Hospice raised \$31,000.00 at our annual Polo for Palliative Care event. Can \$ 31,000 (**€ 23,005**)

In order to help our brothers and sisters in Western Ontario we gave them \$5,000.00 to help seed the Home Care Support Program. Can \$ 5,000 (**€ 3,710**)





Contribution of our Order in the field of Hospice Care and Palliative Care - continuation -

- continuation Grand Priory in Canada –

- * Chatham Kent Hospice Capital Building Campaign. Can \$ 1,000 (€ 742). Hours: 2 Total (€ 762)
- * Donation of hundreds of copies of "A Caregiver's Guide". Hours: 2
- * The creation of a new palliative bed at Pinecrest Manor long term care seniors home in Lucknow, Ontario. There are currently no palliative care beds in Lucknow so Western Ontario Commandery is partnering with the local churches to build one with the donation of a pressure redistribution air bed which is between \$1,200-\$1,500. Hours: 5.
- * Program offered in Cambridge, Kitchener-Waterloo, and Mississauga. Can \$ 2,000 (€ 1,484). Hours: 35 (Delivers the Home Caregiver Support Program through branches in Ontario).
- * 3 members participated in a 100km charity bike ride to raise funds for the Home Caregiver, Support Program in Ontario. Hours: 18.
- * Development of on-line version of program. St. John Ambulance Canada. Can \$ 22,000 (€ 16,318)
- * Held a dinner with our partner HPCO (Hospice Palliative Care Ontario) where we raised \$20,000.00 for their Centre of Excellence initiative, which will benefit all hospices across Ontario. (€ 14,835)

Grand Bailiwick of the Netherlands

- * A donation of € 1,500 was given for the Saint Louis Hospital in Jerusalem.

Grand Commandery of Boigny

- * Medical materials for palliative care € 3,800

Grand Bailiwick of Austria

- * Donation of Euro 10 of each member for the Saint Louis Hospital in Jerusalem.
- * Hospice care performed by individual members.

Grand Commandery of the Castello

- * € 6,000 to the Grand Hospitaller as a contribution towards the refurbishment of St Louis Hospital in Jerusalem.

Grand Priory of Finland

- * St. Louis Hospital in Jerusalem € 790

Grand Priory of Poland

- * Krakow hospice € 1,680.

Priory of Belgium

- * Hospice/ Palliative care € 1,000

Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands

- * A donation of € 1,000 was given for the Saint Louis Hospital in Jerusalem.

Grand Bailiwick of Germany

- * Fundraising music events € 1,800 for the Saint Louis Hospital.





Contribution of our Order in the field of Hospice Care and Palliative Care - continuation -

Grand Bailiwick of Scotland

- * The Order in Scotland in response to the Grand Magisterial intiation donated £2,000 (€ **2,824**) to the St Louis Hospital in Jerusalem.
- * The Order organized a dinner in the Royal Scots Club in Edinburgh. A very enjoyable evening of entertainment resulted in over £1,000 being raised on the evening and this was topped up to make a final donation of £1,500 (€ **2,118**) for a most respected charity, the aim of the function. This charity is MacMillan Nurses which supplies specialized dedicated and individual nursing care for the dying in the domestic situation.

Grand Bailiwick of the Czech Republic

- * The Saint Agnes commandery focuses on work in hospice Strasburk. Two members are serving on the governing board and another two work as employees. This facility is running 25 beds mainly in single bed rooms. Relatives may be provided with an extra bed. This year the capacity utilized was 82%. 220 clients were admitted, of which 200 died and 20 were released. Average length of stay was 33 days. One day expenditure was € **85**.
- * Donations from other organisations € **57,500**.



Hospice Strasburk

Grand Priory of Spain

- * Dr. D. Juan Ruiz de Burgos Moreno, Hospitaller of the Grand Priory, has continued assisting patients with terminal cancer in the name of the Order. Most of these patients are in a situation of social exclusion or under welfare. The Hospitaller has provided treatment and palliative care.

Grand Priory of England & Wales

- * On the Grand Hospitaller's appeal GBP 1,500 (€ **2,059**) was donated for the St. Louis Hospital in Jerusalem.
- * In response to emergency appeal of 30th October for aid for the Shepherds Hospice in Sierra Leone during the Ebola outbreak. GBP 1,000 (€ **1,373**) The Shepherd's Hospice Sierra Leone (TSHSL) believes that all people deserve compassion, honesty and comfort as they deal with a life-threatening illness. Registered as a local, non-governmental organization in 1995, the mission of TSHSL is to promote palliative care and health development in Sierra Leone. - See more at: <http://shepherdshospice.com/who-we-are/#sthash.u0magR97.dpuf>.
- * St Luke's Hospice. GBP 300. (€ **412**)
- * John of Gaunt Commandery: Local hospitals/hospices £2,000.00 (€ **2,747**)
- * Zoe's Place Baby Hospice, Liverpool. £300.00 (€ **412**)
- * Willowbrook Hospice, Merseyside, for adults with life-limiting illnesses £500.00 (€ **687**).
- * £250 to each of the nine Sussex Hospices (total: £2,250.00) (€ **3,091**)





Contribution of our Order in the field of Hospice Care and Palliative Care - continuation -

11.1 One of the projects for palliative care is of course the flagship project of our Order:

The Saint Louis Hospital in Jerusalem



Thanks to the French influence, around the year 1980, there was a rise of the Christian religious orders in Jerusalem. The majority were French and contributed to the urban development. The congregation of Sisters de Saint-Joseph of the Apparition was the first community working in Jerusalem since 1948. The sisters arranged a hospital, made up of three rooms, within the Latin Patriarchate. Unfortunately, the lack of space and discomfort made this location intolerable. With the assistance of the patronage of the Count of Piellat, a bigger hospital was built outside the ramparts of the city. It is located opposite the New Gate, opening in 1889 in order to allow a direct access to the recently established Christian institutions. The hospital started to function in 1880, but was completed only in 1896 and could then receive a hundred patients. As a general hospital, it is equipped with a dispensary, an operating room and a service of hospitalization.

The care is given to all, Jews, Christians and Moslem, without any distinction.

Late in 2012, Professor Charles Savona-Ventura of the University of Malta made the exciting discovery that the Order's leprosarium in Jerusalem was sited just outside the walls of the Old City, near what is now the New Gate. Even more exciting, he determined that the French Saint Louis Hospital now sits on the site of our old Leprosy Hospital.

Today, the Saint Louis Hospital urgently needs renovation to bring it up to the new Israeli hospital code by 2016. The Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Apparition, who run the hospital, have begun the repairs and commenced the work with the faith that funds will be forthcoming.

The Hospital Director, Sister Monika Düllmann, also visited earlier in 2013 with the Grand Hospitaller, Dr Axel Mittelstaedt, to discuss the project. We agreed to pay for the renovation of the kitchen of the hospital which will cost 80,000. A couple of jurisdictions already contributed for the project.

The Grand Bailiwick of Germany guaranteed to contribute the money not raised for the 80,000.





Contribution of our Order in the field of Hospice Care and Palliative Care - continuation -

Overview Hospice and Palliative Care without volunteers hours	
In Euro's	
Austria	11,595
Belgium	1,000
Boigny	3,800
Canada	266,491
Czech Republic	57,584
England & Wales	8,722
Poland	1,680
Scotland	2,118
Spain	Continued assisting terminal patients

Overview Hospice and Palliative Care without volunteers hours	
For Saint Louis Hospital in Euro's	
Austria	2,500 (10 Euro per member)
Castello	6,000
England & Wales	2,059
Finland	790
Germany	1,800
Maltese Islands	1,000
Scotland	2,824
The Netherlands	1,500





12. Care for Children

Child care (or "childcare", "child minding", "day-care", or "preschool") is the caring for and supervision of a child or children, usually from age six weeks to age thirteen. Child care is the action or skill of looking after children by a day-care centre, babysitter or other providers. Child care is a broad topic covering a wide spectrum of contexts, activities, social and cultural conventions, and institutions. It is traditional in Western society for children to be taken care of by their parents or their legal guardians. In families where children live with one or both of their parents, the childcare role may also be taken on by the child's extended family. If a parent or extended family is unable to care for the children, orphanages and foster homes are a way of providing for children's care, housing and schooling.¹³

A category of children who need our special attention are the children with disabilities. According to UNICEF¹⁴:

“Children with disabilities are one of the most marginalized and excluded groups in society. Facing daily discrimination in the form of negative attitudes, lack of adequate policies and legislation, they are effectively barred from realizing their rights to healthcare, education, and even survival.

Estimates suggest that there are at least 93 million children with disabilities in the world, but numbers could be much higher. They are often likely to be among the poorest members of the population. They are less likely to attend school, access medical services, or have their voices heard in society. Their disabilities also place them at a higher risk of physical abuse, and often exclude them from receiving proper nutrition or humanitarian assistance in emergencies.

UNICEF vision is to build a world where every child can grow up healthy, protected from harm and educated, so they can reach their full potential. Every day we're working to make this vision a reality. No matter whom they are or where they are born, we reach out to the most vulnerable children wherever and whenever they need us.”



¹³ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Child_care

<http://www.innocenttimes.com/learn-play-grow-together>

<http://www.unicef.org/disabilities/>





Care for Children - continuation -

Grand Bailiwick of South Africa

<http://showme.co.za/witbank/>



Witbank Property

Secure Estates, water access or even a mansion on the golf course Witbank is a great city for investing in property...



Birdwatching in Witbank

Witbank offers birders a great diversity of bird life. Wetlands attract flocks of water birds ...



Hiking Trails in Witbank

Witbank has quite a variety of hiking trails. From long scenic hikes around the dam to short exercising hikes. We've got it ...

The 900ha Witbank Nature Reserve on the outskirts of Witbank consists of grassland, wetland and woodland areas, and is home to several species of antelope including Eland, Wildebeest, Kudu, Waterbuck, Impala and Springbok. Other animals include zebra and there are also many species of birds, which can be viewed from bird hides and picnic spots. An Environmental Education Centre conducts educational tours and projects with schoolchildren and other groups.

- ✳ They have supported the **Loeri Children's Home** for 15 years in terms of covering the costs of uniforms and school fees and they occasionally treat the youngsters to recreational days in a different environment. In 2014, the following donations were made; to the running of the Home R100, 000; School fees R 46,640; Birthday gift for each child R 360. **Total R 147 000 (€ 11,280);** This involved 86 hours spent in visits and controlling outings for the children. At a nominal cost of **R750 per hour**, this equates to some **R64 500 (€ 4,950)**. **Loeri Children's Home**, provides security, love and discipline for around forty children aged between about 6 and 17 years and who come from (mainly) abused backgrounds.
- ✳ Their friends of the Order covered the cost (including transport) of a group day at Witbank Dam **R 7,500 (€ 576)**.
- ✳ A Christmas Party and gifts **R 10,000 (€ 767)**
- ✳ The Friends of the Order donated 40 hours of their time, which at a nominal cost of R750 per hour amounted to some **R30, 000. (€ 2,301)**



<http://www.loeriehuis.org/>





Care for Children - continuation -

Continuation Grand Bailiwick of South Africa

- ✳ They supported the **CHRISTINE REVELL HOME**, a facility which cares for around 50 children of all races, up to five years old. Many are severely challenged by foetal-alcohol syndrome and others deal with an inner knowledge of abandonment and abuse. We visit as well as sponsor boxes of food, nappies and various administrative and other essential items in an ongoing programme. Through the staging of their own fund-raising activities, they have been able to hand over R5500 by value in needed items and have expended at least 160 member hours on this project and in various visits to the Home. Total Christine Revell Home monetary R 5 500, Total Christine Revell time contributed R 120 000. Total Christine Revell Home **R 125 500 (€ 9,630)**.



Members, volunteers and children from Christine Revell Home > <http://www.crch.co.za/>

- ✳ Members staged a fundraising Moroccan Dinner with donations totalling 28 hours in setting this up and R7360 in food and beverages. Cash donations, food and stationery gifts valued at R4500 were made to the Christine Revell Home. Total Moroccan dinner monetary **R 4,500 (€323, 03)** Total Moroccan dinner ingredients donated **R 7,360 (€ 572, 96)** Total Moroccan dinner time contributed R 21,000 **(€ 1,611)**.



- ✳ Visits and support for the **SARAH FOX HOME**, which has recently opened a Terminal Section. Here too, the staff takes the most wonderful care of children up to the age of five. The work the Order does provides some relief in terms of our partial funding of essential equipment and materials and occasional visits to create a bonding with the children. This year, members contributed at least 90 hours working on visits and fund-raising activities for this Home and a contribution in gifts and kind to the value of R2500 **(€ 179.46)** was made and an additional amount of R 14,000 **(€ 1,497)** out of the "Tartan Teddy" project (stuffed animals). Total Sarah Fox time contributed R 67 500. Total Sarah Fox home **R 84 000 (€ 6,446)**





Care for Children - continuation -

Continuation Grand Bailiwick of South Africa

* Secondly, late in 2014, one member initiated a 'Tartan Teddy' project that supports employment for women from underprivileged backgrounds and funding for our Sarah Fox Home initiative. These teddies are sold by members and Friends of the Order and this will be an ongoing initiative providing a steady small income stream. Materials were donated by a member. Volunteer member time spent on this numbered 51 hours and almost R14 000 has so far been raised for the support of these woman and R 14 000 for Sarah Fox home.



A Member donation of wool to the local Methodist Church Knitters – valued at R7500 – provided these women with materials to craft baby items for a home for destitute young mothers.

This is an annual donation. (€ 576)

Priory of Macedonia (FYROM)



* In March 2014 the Humanitarian Organization LAZARUS Macedonia donated infant nutrition and chocolates to the children who live in SOS DETSKO SELO Macedonia (SOS CHILDREN'S VILLAGE). It is a special settlement where children without parents live with their surrogate mothers who take care of them. The financing comes from donations. The value of the donation is **1.500 EURO**.

Four members of LAZARUS have spent about 14 hours on the project all together. The transportation was organized by personal vehicles.





Care for Children - continuation -

Grand Priory of Slovakia

- * Patronage and supporting the St-Lazarus House for the children on the "HALF WAY". (It is a house for the young people who must leave Children's Asylum House because of age.) **(€2,000)**
- * Supporting Christian High School at Trebišov. **(€ 450)**
- * Support and donations for disabled children and a home for a retired priest as well as
- * Supporting the Franciscan Monastery at Bratislava. **(€ 4.000)** Supporting Children's Asylum House at Streda nad Bodrogom. **(€ 4.500)**
- * Twice a year – summer and winter time – organized the camps for the children from the Children's Asylum House "NADEJ" (HOPE) from Bernolakovo. **(€ 6.000)**
At springtime, April, 2014, organised Concert of young people at City Hall at Bratislava. **(€ 500)**



Source: Grand Priory of Slovakia



Grand Priory of Sweden

- * The money raised during the investiture of the Grand Priory of Sweden in April 2014 was dedicated to an Orphanage through the organisation "Adoptivcentrum". SEK 10866 **(€ 1,174)**;
- * Celebration for refugee children (coming to Sweden without relatives), summer holidays from school. 25 children got through another year of education towards an independent living. A local inn welcomed them to celebrate the achieved educational goals. Dinner buffet, beverage and facilities for games. SEK 7,500 **(€ 810)**.
- * Joint effort between The Grand Priory of Sweden and Scandic Hotels, Sweden's number one hotel operator. Collecting Christmas gifts from the public for children, who otherwise would be left with any Christmas gifts. SEK 750,000 **(€ 81,000)**.

Hereditary Commandery of Castle Sighartstein

- * "Kindergarten" sponsorship for a child with ADHS (Aufmerksamkeitsdefizit Hyperaktivitätsstörung) **€ 1,800**

Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands

- * Consoeur Elizabeth Cassar took an active part in a charitable mission to Peru aiding orphans. She also donated a number of gifts on behalf of the Grand Priory.





Care for Children - continuation -

Grand Priory of Spain

* Campaign "Recolecta", school material.

The campaign collected school material and donations for schools that included a great number of children whose families live in a severe situation of poverty and social exclusion. The result went way over what was first expected and summed to school material worth over **€ 1,952**.



- * As a part of the same campaign, the Order managed to collect an additional **€1,000** that was given to the school

Grand Priory of New Zealand

- * Sponsorship of Michael Saxon O'Connor - the young man whose father died in a truck accident and his mother died of cancer. St Bedes took him in as a ward of the school from Monday to Friday as a boarder. We provided his school uniform, books and other consumables. **NZ\$ 500 (€ 323)**.

KNITTING - This has been one of the most successful projects this last year. The Manager at the Women's Prison in Christchurch was approached and asked if the inmates would be willing to knit for the premature babies at the Neo Natal Unit. We have received \$2,000 for this project. In November 2014, members of the Order visited the prison and were overwhelmed. They expected singlets and hats but received over 40 knitted layettes for the premature babies. That week this appeared as a news item on television.¹⁵



Layettes knitted by Prisoners at Christchurch Women's Prison

This was followed up as a news item on television the next day at the handing over of the garments for the babies. This approach has been taken up in the newly established Auckland Commandery as a charitable activity for 2015. **Estimated value \$2500 (€ 1,615)**

Grand Priory of Australia

- * During the year under review the Grand Priory made its usual donation **\$3,000 (€ 2,092)** to the Westmead Hospital for Children for toys together with the hands on activities.
- * Country Hope: Family centred support programs to country children with cancer and other life threatening illnesses. **\$10,000 (€ 6,973)**
- * Bush Childrens Education fund **\$20,000 (€ 13,946)**



country hope

¹⁵ [http://www.corrections.govt.nz/news/media-releases/2014 media releases/prisoners knit for premature babies.html](http://www.corrections.govt.nz/news/media-releases/2014%20media%20releases/prisoners%20knit%20for%20premature%20babies.html)

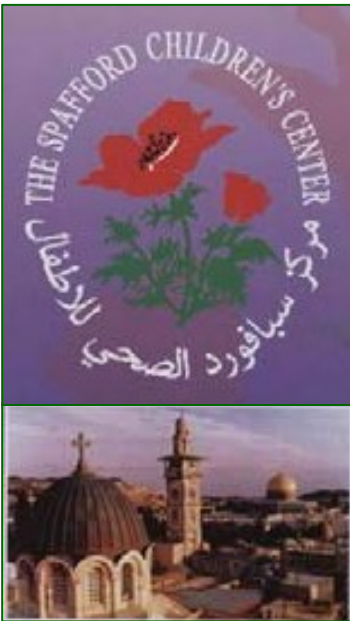




Care for Children - continuation -

- continuation Grand Priory of Australia

- * CAPS - Prevention of Youth Suicide **\$5,000.00 (€ 3,486)**.
- * Bust-A-Move Dance Group for the Disabled (assistance for their trip to Los Angeles - June 2015 for Special Olympic World Games) **\$3,000.00 (€ 1,937)**.
- * Pregnancy Support Southern Queensland - (youth pregnancy) \$5,000.00 **(€ 3,486)**
Spafford Centre Jerusalem **\$10,000 (€ 6,973)**.



The Spafford Children's Centre provides healthcare for some of the most vulnerable and disadvantaged children in East Jerusalem and the West Bank. The Centre is a charitable institution founded nearly 100 years ago by an American, Bertha Spafford Vester, and is still supported today by her descendants. Based on humanitarian values, the Centre gives help to those in need regardless of race, religion or cultural background. The Order of St Lazarus introduced Anglican Overseas Aid to the work of the Spafford Children's Centre in Jerusalem in 2009. It started as a baby home for abandoned children in 1925 and later became a Children's hospital. After the war of 1967, it was renamed the Spafford Children's Centre and began to focus on preventative health through its medical clinic, ante-natal clinic and infant welfare department that monitors the development of under five year olds.

Jerusalem, Old City

Grand Bailiwick of the Netherlands

- * Elkana childcare South Africa **(€ 3,423)** (hours spend 120). Two members of the Grand Bailliwick, Commandery St. Servaas started in 2003 as Elkana Netherlands and supports Elkan International.

Elkana Childcare is dedicated to serve the youth in our area by providing assistance, support and guidance to marginalized children and youth in the Swartland region. Their goal is to create a balanced, safe and healthy social environment and to positively influence all children in the Swartland with love and empathy and to assist them to rebuild their lives.





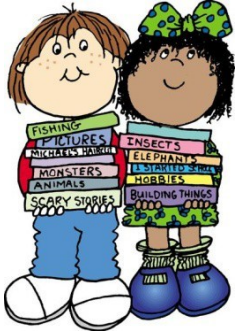
Care for Children - continuation -

Grand Commandery of Boigny

- * Bourse études enfants orphelins (€ 4,000) (scholarship for orphans)
- * Bourse aux livres écoliers (€ 350) (school books)

Delegation of Norway (Priory St Olav of Norway)

- * "Books for children"



The project is based on the fact that the East and North region of Oslo does have a population where only a small minority speak Norwegian well, and general Norwegian Children's culture is unknown to the majority. The kindergartens do not have a budget for children's books, leaving these children minor possibilities of integration in the Norwegian society and culture at that stage. As our Order has an agreement with the Norwegian Salvation Army to recycle children's books from their work training facility, a crew of 4 – 7 members have regularly sorted and distributed these books to the area mentioned. **We do find this project a meaningful project**, giving written information of Christian religion, and western democratic culture, not only to the children, as they are encouraged to bring the books home, the entire family does benefit from this project. The estimated value of the entire project for 2014, is **€ 70,212.75** which equals NOK 603,830.00

Grand Bailiwick of Switzerland

- * 5 Mile run - 26th October 2014

Also this year, by gentle autumn weather, our 5 Mile **Charity Run for the Theodora Children Foundation** at the 8th Swiss City Marathon Lucerne took place in front of impressive scenery alongside the Lake of Lucerne. The Theodora Foundation pursues the goal to alleviate the suffering of hospitalized children. In total 113 doctors visited 235'000 children in Switzerland, England, Spain, France Italy, White Russia, Turkey and China, which equals 106 hospitals in Switzerland and abroad.



- * In the end we donated **CHF 1'000.00 (€ 961)** in favour of the Theodora Foundation.

Grand Priory of Greece

- * Donation of food supplies worth **€ 300** to the Children Hospital of PIKPA. The hospital houses children with various life time problems that need special care 24 hours pro day. <https://www.giveforward.com/fundraiser>





Care for Children - continuation -

Grand Bailiwick of Scotland

* Project Haven in India

Project Haven aims to offer a haven and a new life to children who were previously living in challenging circumstances and were at risk of malnutrition, drug addiction and abuse. Most of the children had no access to education and lacked the love, support and stability of a family home. Project Haven strives to give these children a new beginning, a brighter future and to help them claim back their childhoods in a safe, secure and loving environment. At Kolkata there is a school specifically organized to afford education to deprived children. **Donation GBP 250 (€ 343).**

* St Lazarus Volunteer in the Community Award"

The South East Scotland Commandery encourages youth activities within its area and has established a "St Lazarus Volunteer in the Community Award" for uniformed young people who have made an outstanding contribution in their local community. This year the winner was a 9-year-old cub scout from the town of Selkirk in the Scottish Borders. Ivan Burt was awarded The Military and Hospitaller Order of St Lazarus of Jerusalem Volunteer in the Community Award in recognition of outstanding voluntary service given to the local community for raising **£ 3,000 (€ 4,242.40)** towards the cost of extensive repairs to the roof of his local Scout Hall.

Grand Priory of Finland



* St. Lazarus Order of Finland has continued to support individual health education of 600 children of 3-13 years of age. The activity is focused on the prevention of alcohol and drug use and healthy behaviour in general. Cooperation with parents, kindergarten personnel and school teachers is essential in this program which has been implemented together with national actors since 2006. The purpose of the program is to enable the child to make the right choices in his/her life. **Donation € 1,500.**

* "Christmas Coin Program".

St. Lazarus Order of Finland has since 2006, with the help of commercial partners, been able to give small gifts and modest monetary help to families in need with small children. These children would not get any Christmas presents without this activity. The program has been implemented together with church congregations and social workers of the parishes who best in our country can identify families most in need. The St. Lazarus Order's action has brought joy to hundreds of families and children in nursing homes. The program was named "Christmas Coin" to emphasize that even small donations are welcome. The program has indeed received support from individuals, shopkeepers and business people from many places in the country. **Donation € 34,880.**

Hereditary Commandery of Wallendorf

* MGV Mommenheim for support the musical education of their young members. **€ 1,000**

Grand Bailiwick of Germany

* Mini-Max Action. Small gifts for very ill children. € 1,000. hours 40. **Total € 1,400.**





Care for Children - continuation -

Grand Priory of Hungary

* Gambia – Budapest – Bamako



The Hungarian Children Mission of the Military and Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem arrived in **Gambia**, and transmitted the donations to the children in need, in schools, hospitals and orphans' homes. Zsolt Udvari OLJ and his team members, Viktor Matók and

Ferdinánd Petrov have performed with success the Budapest-Bamako rally of the year 2014 in a car furnished with start number 103. The caravan transporting the donations started on January 24, 2014. The donations were distributed in two countries at 1-1 selected settlement by the Children and Youth Mission of the Saint Lazarus: On the 6th February of 2014, in Senegal, and on the 9th February of 2014 in Gambia. **Total donation € 2,883.**

They participated with a car Lada, furnished with the sticker of the Children Mission. They transferred toys, clothes and school equipment to the children needing humanitarian help.

* The pupils of the Catholic School of Vác were given gifts before Easter by the leadership of the Saint Nicolas Commandery of Vác, directed by J. Attila Szalárdy KLJ commandant. Archbishop Dr. Lajos Varga presented a solemn holy mass in the chapel of the school, remembering the resurrection of Saint Lazarus. **Donation € 1,500.**

* The local commandery of the Military and Hospitaller Order of Saint Lazarus of Jerusalem distributed more than two hundred love packages in Miskolc, on the Elisabeth square on Thursday. The gifts were given for the Children's Day to children of Miskolc, mostly children living in big families in need, who arrived onto the square. 220 youngsters expected the packages, full of healthy food. **Donation € 1,834**

* The World Day of Handicapped.

Our Order of Knights supported the Rehabilitation Department of the Children Health Centre of Miskolc by an important donation. Our member knights handed over packages and cash.

Total **donation EUR 667**

* Donation to orphan children

The Commandery of Győr prepared a Christmas program for the local orphans. It helped with cash and small gifts the persons in need. **Total donation EUR 204**





Care for Children - continuation -

Grand Priory of America

- * Infant Welfare Centre, Jerusalem – The GPA has been a long-time supporter of the Infant Welfare Centre in Jerusalem, and this clinic serves the needs of Christian and non-Christian children in the Holy Land. The Centre reopened on 28 October 2009 after being completely renovated. The renovation was done without any help from government entities. Their only support is from organizations such as ours, along with some local non-government organizations. The name they have decided to use is the Infant Welfare Mother and Child Centre, since it supports babies, children, women, needy people and severe social cases in the Old City of Jerusalem. They give their charitable services to all who are in need. **Donation US\$ 50,000 (€ 44,442).**
- * The Commandery of the Southwest Spring project raised \$8,300 for Covenant House of Texas, a 80 bed emergency shelter available 24/7 serving annually 3,574 homeless and at-risk youth. For over 30 years Covenant House has continued to help kids with residential programs, community services, outreach and prevention efforts designed to keep young people off the streets. While living on the streets, day to day survival is a youth's top priority. Thus, most health issues are often ignored until they may become serious. The Covenant House dental care and treatment program addresses one of the many health issues, but additional funding was required to meet the growing numbers of youth needing treatment. In response, the members of the Southwest Commandery donated \$4,150 which the Commandery matched raising the total gift to **\$8,300. (€ 7,377).**
- * Another commandery project provided aid and assistance to the Casa Bethesda Orphanage. Several trips were made to the Orphanage to deliver clothing, medical supplies, personal hygiene items, and included \$1,000 donated by Commandery members, and \$500 from the commandery itself. **(€ 1,334).**

All Souls Episcopal Church and Community Centre, Summer Camp S.O.A.R. The All Souls Church and Community Centre, on Caffin Avenue in the Lower Ninth Ward of New Orleans, has been a previous recipient of start-up funds for a community sewing instruction program. This year, their need was for scholarships to assist poor neighbourhood children in being able to attend the Centre's summer camp, Camp S.O.A.R., which is an excellent summer camp with many field trips hosted by several civic groups. Funds for ten campers were provided by the Grand Commandery of the South. **US\$ 1,200 (€ 1,067).**



<http://allsoulsnola.org/>

- * Tulane Catholic Centre. The Commandery of the South is the Champion for the American Association of St. Lazarus' support for the construction of the Catholic Student Centre at Tulane.
- * Supported the Fr. Val Ambrose McInnes, O.P. Center for Catholic Life at Tulane University. This year we donated \$650.00 to this worthy mission. **(€ 578).**





Care for Children - continuation -

Grand Priory of Ireland

* Nyumbani Kenya

An orphanage and school in rural Kenya, for children whose parents have died of HIV/AIDs. Children (who are frequently HIV+ve) are looked after by 'Grandmothers' in a home-like environment. Lazarus funds will go towards funding technical courses to prepare children to earn a living when they are adults. **€ 8,803** The Nyumbani Children's Home was founded by Father Angelo D'Agostino and Sister Mary Owens in 1992 to serve mostly abandoned children created by the AIDS pandemic. Originally a medical doctor in the US Air Force, D'Agostino joined the Jesuits early in his career, focused on psychiatry, and held various teaching positions. But it was through his experience working with multiple Jesuit charities that D'Agostino learned of the dire need for specialized facilities for abandoned children in Nairobi, Kenya. Today over 100 orphans or abandoned children live at Nyumbani Home located in Karen, Nairobi.

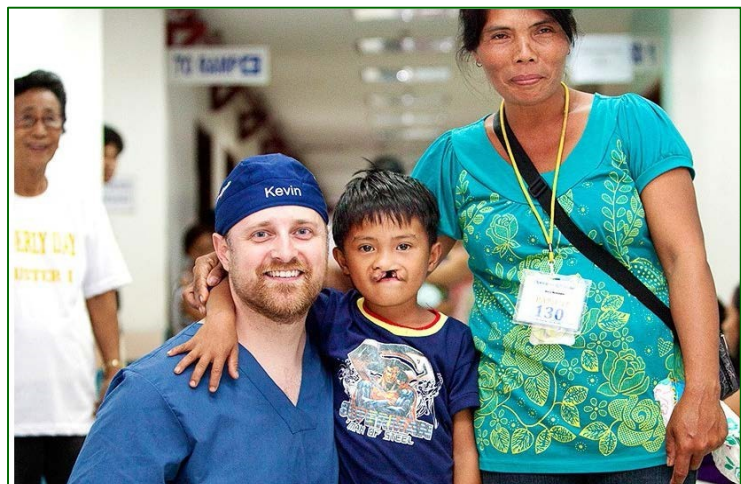
* Vrindivan, India

An education charity in India, teaching English language skills to young people from impoverished backgrounds. There is a particular focus on education of young women as this lessens the risk of childhood marriage. **€ 8,803.**

* Operation Smile

A medical charity performing Cleft Palate repair for children whose own healthcare system cannot provide it. The current focus is setting up a training unit in the Ethiopian capital to train local surgeons in palate repair. **€ 8,803.**

Cleft palate is a congenital deformity that causes a multitude of problems and represents a special challenge to the medical community. Special care is needed for patients with cleft palate. Speech production, feeding, maxillofacial growth, and dentition are just a few important developmental stages that may be affected. Multiple specialists make up the team that works together to improve the quality of life for patients with cleft palate. Otolaryngologists, or maxillofacial surgeons, plastic surgeons, nutritionists and speech pathologists are just a few of the members of the team. Psychological effects on both the patient and the parents are important aspects that also need to be addressed. A significant number of patients with cleft palate have associated syndromes that may result in cardiac, limb or other system defects. Although cleft palate deformity was described hundreds of years ago, to this day, no agreed-upon management algorithm exists for patients with cleft palate.¹⁶



¹⁶ <http://emedicine.medscape.com/article/878062-overview>





Care for Children - continuation -

Grand Priory of England & Wales

- * Personal grant to a Ugandan girl whose education is being financed by the Avalon Trust (£1,520 for one year's University fees + £43.50 to secure her place + £608 to pay for personal items needed, (primarily a laptop) **Total GBP 2,271.50 (€ 3,118)**
- * SAHODAR UK (caring for disadvantaged children in Nepal) **GBP 300 (€ 412)**
- * Chernobyl Children's Life Line **GBP 500 (€ 686)**
- * The Rainbow Project, Plymouth (supports children's home in Romania) **£100.00 (€ 137)**
- * Nicki Cain (educating disadvantaged children in Gambia) **£500.00 (€ 688)**
- * Rainbow Children's Home (3rd of three annual grants). **£10,000 (€ 13,757)**

Priory of Belgium

- * Education **€ 4,000**

Overview Care for Children without volunteers hours, In Euro's			
America	>	54,798	Hungary > 7,084
GP South Africa	>	24,252	Netherlands > 3,423
Australia	>	12,396	New Zealand > 1,938
Belgium	>	1,400	Macedonia (FYROM) 1,500
Castle Sighartstein	>	1.800	Scotland > 4,585
England & Wales	>	18,798	Spain > 1,000
France	>	4,350	Slovakia > 1,654
Finland	>	36,380	Sweden > 82,984
Germany	>	1,400	Switzerland > 1,000
Greece	>	300	Wallendorf > 1,000
Ireland	>	26,409	
Norway did a book exchange project - converted value €70,217 . The Maltese Islands have a continuing gift project - converted value is unknown			

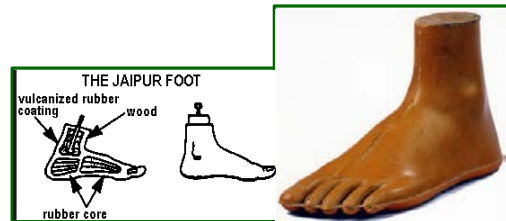




12. Support of Handicapped People

Grand Priory of Spain

* The Grand Priory worked on developing a project for manufacturing prosthesis (like the foot of pur) and proceeded to donate these prosthesis to the crippled and disabled due to war mines.



Foot of Jaipur

Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands

* Wheelchair donation to Dar tal-Kleru (Home for the clergy) € 250.

* Donation to “Believe in Me Project” charity € 6500

Believe in me project is an NGO where persons with special needs are being trained to learn basic life skills.

* UMTAL – The National Society for the Transport of Sick to Lourdes



This Association is the National Association that helps support and transport sick pilgrims on an Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady in Lourdes. The Hospitaller Chev Dr J Debono offered his services as the doctor of the Association and provides Medical care for the sick during the Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Fr Thomas Moore, the Chaplain, offers his service as a spiritual advisor and Mrs Sandra Debono leads the voluntary services.

* The Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands [through one of its members who is a professional Health Inspector] has continued to support the consultancy service on Health & Safety and Food Safety & Hygiene to the **Park of Friendship**, run by the NGO **INSPIRE** at Marsascala, Malta who provides services for people with disabilities. This saved the establishment the consultancy fee of about €80 monthly equivalent to €960 annual.

Grand Priory of Australia

* L'ARCHE GENESARET which assists adults with an intellectual disability. As well as donating

funds, the Commandery engages in hands-on visits to members of L'Arche communities of which there are 3 in the ACT. In addition to an annual dinner, the

Commandery held a barbecue, a cricket match and monthly prayer meetings. This year the fundraising Dinner and other fundraising meant that the Commandery gave \$26,000 to L'ARCHE (€ 17,844). It was estimated that some 236 hours of work were also expended during the year.



The L'Arche community in Canberra is known as L'Arche Genesaret and was the first L'Arche community established in Australia. It had its beginnings in the early 1970s, and in April 1978 welcomed its first member at a former convent at Bungendore, a village 20 kilometres east of Canberra. To offer better work and recreation opportunities, the community relocated to Yarralumla, in Canberra, in 1980. It bought its own home at Chifley in 1982, and two years later, in 1984, opened a second home. A third home was established in 1986. Today L'Arche Genesaret maintains three houses and two self-contained flats in the Canberra suburbs of Chifley and Curtin, providing accommodation for 13 people with disability. L'Arche Genesaret is also in the process of developing a new flexible support program in response to the changes generated by the National Disability Insurance Scheme.¹⁷

* The Queensland commandery donated Aus.\$ 8,000 (€ 5,490) to Catholic Psychiatric Care.

¹⁷ * <http://www.larche.org.au/larche-communities/canberra/>





- Continuation Support of Handicapped People –

Grand Bailiwick of Scotland

- * Donation of GBP 1,000 (€ 1,375) to an organisation for deaf/ blind people.
- * They were asked by an individual for some support to allow her to attend a specialized course on lip reading for the deaf. The lady received £200 (€ 265) for course fees. She subsequently applied to join our Order.
- * There are several small groups of lay individuals who support their local community by organizing special events for those with problems related to poor vision. These small groups, for example, organize Christmas lunches or bus trips to a social /entertainment event. Two such groups -- one in the Edinburgh Area and one in the Border area of Scotland -- each received £200 Total € 550.

Grand Bailiwick of the Czech Republic

- * Lazarian served together with National Gallery and association LORM for blind and deaf to prepare visit of collections in the Veletrzni palace. Their members are impaired either in sight or hearing and some communicate by using the Lorm alphabet. The deaf/blind person shows the palm of his right hand (or the other side of the left hand) to the speaker, who uses mostly the tips of his fingers to point into the deaf/blind person's hand. The hand of the deaf/blind person stays in the same position; his fingers are a little spread. A sightseeing tour has been adapted for them. Experts from the Gallery translated into LORM and sign language by touching the artifacts in clothed gloves. The visit has been introduced with lecture about Gallery of Modern Art in the Veletrzni palace. All were very much satisfied.

Grand Priory of America

- * Xavier University Speech Pathology Outreach Program (Roatan, Honduras)
Xavier University of New Orleans participates in an international program that provides speech and hearing evaluations and treatments to people in Central America. We contributed \$1,200.00 (€ 1,080) towards sending a number of Xavier's Speech Pathology Department to Honduras, where they spent the Summer serving the people of Roatan (New Orleans has a large Honduran population, who are also served by this Xavier Program).

Overview support of handicapped people without hours, in Euros			
America	1,080.00	Czech Republic	Project blind people
Maltese Islands	7,065.00	Spain	Foot project
Scotland	815.00		





13. Food Campaigns

Grand Priory of Spain

* Food Campaign "Toda Ayuda es Poca 2014"

The food campaign organized at the beginning of the year collected and distributed non-perishable food to social diners, seminars and other organisations. Despite the fact that the campaign did not last very long, just the three first months of 2014, the results turned out to be extraordinary 1.367,934 Kilos of food with an estimated value of **€ 5,553.27**



Grand Priory of Australia

* Father's Smith Christmas Lunch Aus. **\$1,000.00 (€ 686)**

* Trinity Pantry (Food Bank) Aus. **\$8,000.00 (€ 5,490)**

* St Vincnt de Paul Society Freds van **Aus. \$5,000 (€ 3,430)** kitchen renovation.

Fred's Van provides comfort and a warm, nutritious meal for those experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness and marginalisation. Operating from seven sites across Adelaide and two regional sites in Port Lincoln and Port Pirie, this emergency service is delivered by the work and commitment of 478 volunteers.

* St Lazarus Centre outreach services, counselling and breakfast to homeless and marginalized men and women in the City of Melbourne **Aus. \$10,000 (€ 6,860).**

* Wellington Centre services and facilities to the marginalised in that community. **Aus. \$7,500 (€ 5,147).**

Grand Priory in Canada

* Food distribution centre to distribute about 10 tons of foodstuffs of all kinds. **Can\$ 10,000 (€ 7,131).**

* Support to feed and shelter the homeless in Toronto **Can \$ 500 (€ 357).**

Grand Bailiwick of the Netherlands

* Food Bank "Rivierenland" € 14075, = hours 20 **Total € 14,075,**

Grand Commandery of Boigny

* Repas de Noël pour 100 personnes et Colis de Noël **€ 750.**

Priory of Zimbabwe

They do the hampers each month for about 20 people approximately and about once a quarter. The project is ongoing and donations are in kind rather than cash, with some small donations from Home makers, a lady Christians based organization, who has just given \$ 100. They also have a monthly book sale which brings in approximately \$ 300 on a good day. Estimated number of hours: approximately 50 hours each month, including putting the hampers together, collect items for them, delivering the hampers, running the book sale, etc.





- Continuation Food Campaigns –

Grand Priory of Greece

- * Donation of food supplies worth of **€ 250** to Father Ioannis, the Vicar of the Orthodox Church of Saint George at the Acropolis Museum to be given to families in need.

Grand Priory of Hungary



- * They donated **HUF 200.000 (€ 641)** before Christmas to the dwellers and director of the homeless house of Győr. The poor families with many children living in Győr and surroundings received food packages in the name of the Order of Knights of Saint Lazarus. The Commander of the Commandery gave a concert on piano accordion in the Homeless Home. Some cash money was donated afterwards to the homeless people. Amount of the donation: **HUF 300.000 / EUR 1.000.**

Grand Priory of Italy

- * Donation of food to different organizations. **€ 6,500.**



Grand Bailiwick of Germany

- * **Donation of € 1,000** to the „Methodistischen Kirche für Ludwigsburg und Umgebung“, food project “Essen für Alle” (food for everyone) Hours 70. **Total € 1,700.**

Overview food campaigns without hours, in Euros	
Australia	21,583
Boigny	750
Canada	7,988
Germany	1,000
Hungary	1,641
Italy	6,500

Overview food campaigns hours and value
Greece
Netherlands
Spain





15. Organ Transplants

Grand Priory of America

Statistics

Although there have been advances in medical technology and donation, the demand for organ, eye and tissue donation still vastly exceeds the number of donors. For more information, read the summary below or create a [detailed data report](#) on the UNOS Web site.

- More than 123,000 men, women and children currently need lifesaving organ transplants.
- Every 10 minutes another name is added to the national organ transplant waiting list.
- Sadly, an average of 21 people die each day because the organs they need are not donated in time.
- In 2014, more than 8,500 deceased donors made possible approximately 24,000 organ transplants. In addition, there were nearly 6,000 transplants from living donors.
- Nearly 48,000 sight-restoring corneal transplants were performed in the U.S. in 2014.
- Each year, approximately 30,000 tissue donors save and heal lives.
- More than 1 million tissue transplants are done each year and the surgical need for tissue has been steadily rising.
- According to research, 98% of all adults have heard about organ donation and 86% have heard of tissue donation.
- 90% of Americans say they support donation, but only 30% know the essential steps to take to be a donor.

✱ Donate Life – a charitable organization dedicated to Organ Donation, Education and Awareness, in which our contribution helps support a float in the annual Rose Bowl Parade in Pasadena, California, celebrating life and organ donation. **US\$ 10,000 (€ 8,905).**

✱ Bridge to Life – another charitable organization dedicated to organ Donate, Education and Awareness supported by the GPA. Bridge to Life is a Biotechnology company that manufactures and distributes abdominal organ preservation solutions to the global transplant community. **US\$ 10,000 (€ 8,905).**

✱ In July, Houston hosted The Donate Life Transplant Games. The Commandery played a key sponsorship role for the Games. In addition, 13 members participated in the Game's opening ceremony and distributed **\$1,500** worth of tee shirts.

✱ Donate Life America's Annual Meeting, Speaker Introduction sponsorship, \$2,000. We were able to elaborate on the Order's Roses for Registries programs and introduce the premier of the 2015 Donate Life Rose Parade Float design. **€ 1,777.**

✱ Donate Life Rose Parade Float Committee, \$15,000 for Benefactor Level Sponsorship of the most visible annual event for Donate Life America. We sponsored a kidney-pancreas transplant recipient to ride the float and a Flora graph portrait of the young man who donated his kidney and pancreas to our recipient. We also co-sponsored a Flora graph Finishing Event at the donation hospital in Chattanooga, Tennessee which was attended by the Grand Prior. Members of the Grand Commandery of the West participated in the events in Pasadena. **€ 13,329.**





Organ Transplant - continuation –

Continuation Grand Priory of America

* Donate Life Transplant Games of America, \$5,000 for an Official Sponsorship of the Games, an Olympic style event for organ transplant recipients. Members of the Commandery of the Southwest participated in the events and generously donated their time and \$1,500 to fund Organ Donation Awareness tee shirts with the logo of the Order, which were distributed to transplant recipient athlete participants. **Total € 5,776.**

* The Georgia Transplant Foundation, \$1,500 to help Sponsor their annual fund-raising event. **Total € 1,344.**

* Donate Life Rose Parade Float (Pasadena, California)

Every New Year's Day, the Donate Life Rose Parade Float serves as a memorial to organ, eye and tissue donors. Introduced in 2004, it also provides a platform for donor families, living donors and transplant recipients to inspire the world. It's seen worldwide by millions of people. One of the most celebrated traditions on New Year's Day is to enjoy viewing—either in person—or by watching on TV, the Annual Rose Parade in Pasadena, California. The Rose Parade is hosted annually by the Pasadena Tournament



Of Roses, a volunteer organization. Each year, donors are honoured with floral memorial "flora graph" portraits that grace the Donate Life Float. A flora graph is a portrait created with floral materials. The loving and generous individuals portrayed in the flora graphs leave a positive impact on their families, communities, and those they helped.



* Supported organ donation by assisting the local Organ Bank workers "get the word out" informally.

In total the Grand Priory of America spent, without voluntary hours = € 40,036.





16. Community Service

Grand Bailiwick of South Africa

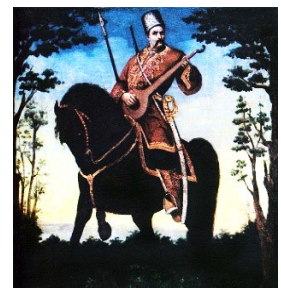
- * A bench - donated by the Grand Bailiwick - was placed and dedicated in the city's historic Company Gardens. This was especially positioned to provide a place of repose in Cape Town's most historic green space, right in the middle of downtown Cape Town.



- * Teaching Fishermen to Swim concept. Venues, swimming coaches and transport to collect sea going fishermen from the Hout Bay fishing community and train them in this survival skill. Though logistically challenging, this project is likely to be given added impetus in 2015. To date, some 142 member volunteer hours have been spent on this initiative and donated fuel, coaching time and other costs valued at R6 000 given to the project (see Appendix 6 picture). Total Fisherman project monetary R 6,000. Total Fisherman project time contributed R106, 500. Total Fisherman project **R112,500. (€ 8,040).**
- * Also during the year, the Commandery supported the Grand Bailiwick's chapel, St Michaels and All Angels, in its annual fundraising drive by setting up a breakfast stall at the Fete. 49 volunteer hours and all the food ingredients were donated by members. Total St Michael's project monetary R 4 000. Total St Michael's project time contribution R 36,750. Total ingredients donated R 5,000. **Total St Michael's project R 45 750. (€ 3,270)**

Delegation of Japan

- * Humanitarian products through Ukraine Registered Cossacks (delivered to Eastern Ukraine) about \$3,000. And \$2,000 more was used for logistics. Hands on hours 80. **(Total € 4,571).**



Grand Commandery of the Castello

- * **€ 500** to Fr. Montebello to assist a trainee doctor in Ethiopia completes his training.

Grand Priory of Sweden

- * Shipping 5 tons of painting, 38 hospital beds and 9 m3 of clothes to east Lithuanian families, schools and hospitals. A joint effort between individual citizens and St. Lazarus members.
- * **Total SEK 423,000 (€ 45,424).**





Continuation Community Service

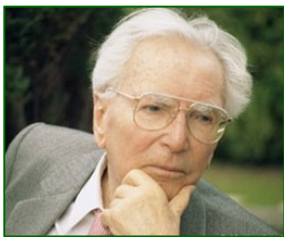
Grand Priory of Slovakia

- * Difference paid for a new St.Lazarus Bell at Slovinky (€ 2.000)
- * Supporting St.Lazarus Day, April, 2014 at Košice. (€ 900)
- * Supporting Greek Catholic Church Dedication Day, September, 2014 at Košice. (€ 800)



Grand Priory of Spain

- * Medical aid in Guinea Equatorial, Bata Hospital, where the Order intends to promote program to form specialists. Dr. Memba Etupa, President of the Board of Public Health Administration in Guinea, supports the Project and is in contact with the Grand Priory of Spain.



- * Rvd. D. José López Solorzano for Cáritas Marbella € 5,000
- * Congrégation Hermanitas de los Pobres in Marbella € 1,000.
- * Comunidad misionera de los Padres Claretianos € 400.



- * The Grand Priory has continued with their *traditional* POP CORN AND MOVIE DAY in collaboration with Caritas Diocesana of Valencia , Lys movie theatres and the Order as a part of the MAMBRE Project of Caritas. The Order entertaining supports most of the expenses and also accompanies the people who benefit from this activity that consists in taking people who suffer from social exclusion to the movies. As a result, over 200 people were able to attend the movie theatres thanks to the donations provided by the members of the Grand Priory.
- * The Grand Priory has also continued helping the VIKTOR FRANKL ASSOCIATION. This association intends to “activate” intervention models from the anthropological point of view of Dr. Viktor Frankl, in order to support suffering, illness and death. It also intends to promote throughout investigation and the incorporation of a new attitude of role models to be able to manage stress situations from an ethical and spiritual point of view. On April 8th the Association and the Order worked together through the charitable movie projection of the film: “MEJOR OTRO DIA”. The money that resulted from the activity was entirely used to finance the Association’s activities. Over 200 people attended this special charitable movie projection. The Association’s Viktor Frankl thanked the Order for supporting this activity.

Hereditary Commandery of Castle Sighartstein

- * A donation of € 100 went to assist a project of Cordibus Unitis, an organization of the Vienna priest seminary.

Hereditary Commandery of Wallendorf

- * Awarding individuals for their outstanding service to people in need. € 4,000
- * Kursana Alzey (home for elderly). € 7,200. Nursing home especially for Alzheimer patients.

Grand Commandery of Boigny

- * ARTAC, Association pour la recherche Thérapeutique Anti-Cancéreuse Pr D. Belpomme. € 3,000





Continuation Community Service

Grand Bailiwick of the Netherlands

- * Care Centre Mariaoord € 1393, = hours 192. Total € 3,313
- * Hospital San Juan de Dios Philippines € 1000
- * Church St Jan Echteld € 425
- * Care Centre Klein Gulpen € 1000 hours 10. Total 1,100
- * Tamil Nadu India € 2,500



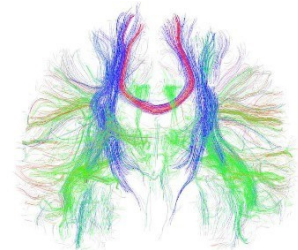
Care Centre Mariaoord, Vinkenveen

Grand Priory of Greece

- * Donation of €400 to support the work of Father Andreas Voutsinos, President of Caritas (Hellas) and Vicar of the Catholic Church of Saint John the Baptist in Athens.

Grand Priory of New Zealand

- * The Order of St Lazarus Charitable Trust has as its national focus Victim Support New Zealand. This organization is partly funded by the New Zealand Police and the Department of Justice; however they rely on charitable donations to meet the shortfall. Work is undertaken by volunteers and there are few paid staff. The Order has agreed to fund the costs of a Training Coordinator for the Christchurch Region. The Training Coordinator will be responsible for recruitment of volunteers and their subsequent training and oversight. The sponsorship is for three years initially and is NZD 10,000 per year. (€ 6,346) N.Z. BRAIN RESEARCH INSTITUTE. The Canterbury Commandery has donated NZD 3,000 to the NZ Brain Research Institute for medical research. This has been increased by NZD 2,000 to NZD 5,000 by the National Trust and this sum qualifies the Order as a major sponsor. (€ 3,173). <http://www.nzbri.org/>
- * HOSPITAL CHAPLAINS - NZD 2,000 (€ 1,272) was donated this year to help with their important work in hospitals.
- * ST JOHN OF GOD CHURCH. Members attend the church on a weekly basis to assist those who cannot write (Sadly it is still occasionally seen in New Zealand). Estimated value \$1000 (€ 636).
- * HOSPITAL SPONGE BAGS. These are prepared by members and are donated on behalf of the Order to those admitted to hospital. Estimated value \$2000 (€ 1,272).
- * A further charitable activity has been a donation of \$1,000 given to a local medical practitioner practice in a lower socio-economic area. The purpose of this donation is to permit the doctor, at her discretion, to provide a lump sum of \$50 to patients in real need. Total amount \$1000 (€ 636).
- * Provision of memorial crosses for returned services day commemorations. Estimated value \$750 (€ 477).



Grand Priory of Poland

- * Project: "Do not be afraid with first medical aid". Hours 20, Value PLN 5,000 (€ 1,200)
- * Volunteer fire brigade "Lazarus". Hours 150. Value PLN 30,000 (€ 7,200)
- * Medical support pilgrimage to Czestochowa. Hours 50. Value € 2,400
- * Annual meeting of Association of Catholic Gynaecologists. Hours 10. Value € 2,400





Continuation Community Service

Priory of Belgium

- * Humanitarian aid € 5,000. Hours 918. **Total € 14,180.**
- * Project of the Health Centre of Kinzamba in Congo
- * Home of Equal Chances - HEC (Home d'égalité des chances), Burundi
- * Healthcare Centre Lokolama, Congo

Grand Priory of the Maltese Islands

- * Emergency Fire & Rescue Unit (EFRU) **€500**
- * Patriarch – Syrian Refugee Support **€ 220**
- * Medical Missionaries of Mary, Tanzania were donated medicines and medical equipment to the sum of **€ 1,200** as well as other items donated for free by medical companies.
- * Donation to individual families-in-need **€ 250**
- * Dar Guzeppa Debono, Gozo **€ 300.** A Church Entity, Non Governmental Organisation, which caters and provide help for single mothers and fathers- collected and donated by the Gozo Commandery.
- * Cake items to Mental Patients in Gozo Hospital **€ 120** During a visit by The Gozo Commandery to the patients in this hospital, a donation of Cakes was made.
- * Donation to Grand Archivist to support refurbishment of Torri ta' Lanzun Archives **€ 250**



- * Donation of second-hand clothes [x10 bags] to Capuchin Fathers
- * Donation of 15 mattresses to Hal Far Refugee Centre

The Hal Far Tent Village, located near Malta's southern coast, houses over 500 immigrants and refugees who have come to call it home. It was set up initially as an emergency response to the large numbers of asylum seekers who began reaching Malta's shores in 2002, most of them fleeing from various Sub-Saharan African countries.

Grand Priory of Australia

- * Missionaries of Charity established in 1950 by Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta caring for the poor and dispose \$10,000 (**€ 6,880**)
- * Company of the Good Shepherd : established in 2001 as a successor to the Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd. \$10,000 (**€ 6,880**)
- * Mission to Seafarers \$5,000.00 (**€ 3,440**)
- * Community - Refugee Assistance \$3,000.00 (**€ 2,064**)
- * Anglican Church Southern Queensland - specifically for the Women & Children's Shelter nearing completion in Brisbane \$5,000.00 (**€ 3,440**)
- * Motor Neuron Disease SA \$10,000 for equipment and daily life. (**€ 6,880**).
- * PNG Offenders Aid and Rehabilitations Service of SA INC \$5,000 community transition services (**€ 3,440**).





Continuation Community Service

Grand Bailiwick of Austria

- ✦ Patronage of the NGO “Medicines Sans Frontiers”.
- ✦ Two donations of more than Euro 4,500 (four thousand five hundred) worth totalling in value giving one defibrillator to the parish of our Senior Chaplain Rev. Michael Hofians Can.Reg. and a second one to the brothers of the relief organization Lazariter. **€ 4,500.**
- ✦ Serving and accompanying old single residents of the Viennese home of aged Jews in Vienna, the “Maimonides Centre” and “Maimonides Sanatorium”.
- ✦ Cost-free supporting medical doctors with computer problems.
Assisted Transport Services: **3,421 hours.**
- ✦ Fair Services (medical assistance, set-up and take-down of exhibition stands): **694 hours.**

Grand Bailiwick of Scotland

In Scotland there is an organization styled SANDS. This is run by volunteers and their aim is to render support, spiritual and material, to those couples who have lost an infant as for example a still birth or some other peri-natal fatality. This year we supported SANDS in Ayrshire and Dumfries and Galloway both mainly rural counties. Each received £500. **(Total € 1,369).**



- ✦ The international emergency caused by the Ebola outbreak in West Africa resulted in the British Government asking the public for help and as such they donated £1 000 to that appeal. **(€ 1,369).**
- ✦ Their interest in Africa continued when once again they donated £500 to the hospital in Murambinda in Zimbabwe. The hospital gets some little support from the government of that country but relies very much on voluntary support and effort from persons in UK. There is a strong Scottish element in the management of this hospital. The hospital was established in 1968, by the Sisters of the Little Company of Mary, under the auspices of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Harare. Technically the Government of Zimbabwe is expected to provide subsidies and financial assistance, although sometimes that assistance never comes. **(€ 685)**
- ✦ A project in a deprived area in west central Scotland involving a care centre in a community known as the Muirshiel Centre received a supporting grant of £500 targeted to help finance a day centre. **(€ 685).**
- ✦ Sashita is a project designed to help the poor in India and we made a donation of £200 to assist in this work. **(€ 273).**
- ✦ One of the most distressing conditions is Motor Neuron Disease and they decided to help a voluntary project associated with MND (Scotland). The volunteers organize a cottage/caravan for respite care and provision of a short break for sufferers of this condition. The sum donated was £200. **(€ 273).**





Continuation Community Service

- Continuation Grand Bailiwick of Scotland-

- * Following a talk and demonstration by Maasai Tribesmen and women at which the Hospitaller was present, it was decided to further enquire about the work of the Osiligi project designed specifically to assist these nomadic people in Southern Kenya and Northern Tanzania. Upon the realization that cholera is endemic in the area, they decided to donate £400 to the water recovery project aimed at supplying clean water to the local tribesmen. **(€ 547)**
- * One of their members indicated the value of the Lawrence round- about Wells in Africa where- bye children using a playground toy to help pump water to the surface. Donated was **£250. (€ 342).**
- * The Order is growing in strength in the Aberdeen area and the members of that area have organized a second dinner for social and charitable purposes. In addition, a carol service at Christmas was well attended by members and friends. The sum raised at the charity dinner was £698.50 rounded up to £726.50 by a private donation and the total was donated to Combat Stress, a charity involved in looking after ex- service personnel with stress symptoms related to military experiences. **(€ 994).**

Grand Priory of Finland



- * Health education and prevention of drug use. Another activity focusing on drug prevention was started by the Order in 2001. The Order has financially supported schooling of dogs for detection of drugs at airports together with customs officials. Three Labrador Retrievers have undergone this program. A considerable part of the narcotics offences detected by Finnish Customs has been uncovered with the help of these detector dogs. Our favourite Labrador retriever "Dani" has continued his work at the Helsinki airport in 2014. Up till now Dani has detected a record of 1,000 smuggled drugs and we have planned to support its further well-being and training.
- * The Elderly
Another activity of the Order in Finland has been helping elderly people to stay and live at their own home as long as possible by providing means and support for this. Also here collaboration with the church has proved fruitful and our help can thus be focused to those most in need. The Order has also provided funding for recreational activities for the elderly. In 2014, altogether **€5.000** were donated for this purpose, through veterans-of-war associations.
- * Other programs **€ 1,240**
The number of hours spent to these programs is impossible to estimate. Members of the Order live in different parts of the country and mainly work on their localities in corresponding commanderies. Costs of transportation are likewise impossible to estimate. In practice, the members of the Order have used their own means of transportation in all activities.

Delegation of Singapore and Indonesia

- * Monitoring a Lazarus Help support activity in Nias related to Tsunami activity in Indonesia.
Hours 37, costs US\$ 33.00 **Total € 400.**
- * Meetings with leaders Roman Catholic Church in Indonesia. **Costs € 450.**





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Grand Priory of Hungary

- * The Social Institution of Bácsborsód "Autumn sunshine" and the poor inhabitants of the settlement received a donation delivery on July 31 of 2014. After the former local inspection and careful preparation, they donated some furniture, bed sheets and clothes by a truck of 5 tonnes, intended to the inhabitants and the Social institution "autumn sunshine". The mayor of the settlement, László Csomor and the director of the Social institution received the donation.
€ 1,089.
- * Professor dr. Péter Schmidt hold a lecture on the occasion of the International Day of the Sick. The cost of the conference room renting was HUF 20.000, other costs HUF.25.000. **€ 150.**
- * Donation of hospital equipment, drugs and bed linen with the contribution of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the regions of Sierra Leone, Liberia and Guinea, struck by "Ebola" in the name of Our Order of Knights. Value of the shipment: HUF 500.000 / **€ 1.667**
- * Hungarian support to the EBOLA epidemic region
Our Order of Knights organized a charity concert to the children in need of the district named Erzsébetváros. The program was Anton Bruckner's Requiem, with the contribution of the opera singer Júlia Kunsági. Amount of the gathered donations: HUF 420.000. / **€ 1.400.**
- * Donation to the inhabitants in need living in an agglomeration (Madaras) situated near the border, including furniture, clothes, bed sheets and kitchen utensils with the help of the Mayor's Office.
Total **€ 884.**

Grand Priory of Italy

- * Convent of the Capuchin Friars of Cremona. **€ 300.**
- * Donation of clothes to different organizations. **€ 3,500.**
- * Ambulance transport dialyses patients. Hours 1080. **€ 10,800.**
- * Emergency relief Amici Volontari Soccorso OSJ. Hours 2,160.
€ 21,600.
- * Volunteer other charity organizations. Hours 480. **€ 4,800.**
- * Various donations to the association of the suffering children of Jesus. **€ 4,000.**
- * Volunteer with Elisoccorso (ambulance helicopters) Lombardy region. Hours 432. **€ 4,320.**



Grand Bailiwick of Germany



- * Transport of relief supplies together with the Lions clubs Arborn/Schweiz, Fürth und Göttingen-Hainberg of hospital beds, rollators etc. to Romania.
Hours 60. **Costs € 4,000. Total € 10,000.**
- * Transport of relief supplies to Teresin (Czech Republic).
Hours 80. **Costs € 1,800. Total € 2,600.**
- * Mission at the railway station **€ 3,000** by selling Lumumba (alcoholic drink) at the Christmas market.
- * Donation of a Defibrillator to "Kloster Langenwaden", a community of single men. **€ 1,500**





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Grand Priory of America

- * Louisiana Inter-church Conference (State Council of Churches), donation of \$1,000.00. National Workshop for Christian Unity – the GPA sponsors the Keynote speaker each year at this very important Ecclesiastical gathering in the United States. € 896.
- * ECHO, Edgar County Homeless Organization, was funded with \$1,600 which was used to remove leaky CPVC and copper water lines on the first and second floors, and replacing it with a PEX water system with brass couplers. The system will not crack/leak in freezing temperatures, which has been a problem. This also included three new faucets and all new shut-off valves. Another funding project for ECHO was requested on the National level for needed siding. Complete residing of the home was accomplished when \$8,900 was approved at the 2014 Grand Prioral Council Meeting in Milwaukee, WI. and received by ECHO. ECHO is grateful for the generosity of the Order of St. Lazarus. Total US\$ 10,500. € 9,303.
- * Traditional donation of Christmas cards to Trees from Home, the non-profit which sends Christmas tree care boxes to Wisconsin Troops, with candy, ear buds, and cards for soldiers to send home. Christmas cards were donated by members of the Midwest Commandery.
- * Two other Commandery projects provided aid and assistance to the Vines and Branches Dental Clinics of Piedras Negras, Mexico. The Vines and Branches Dental Clinics of Piedras Negras were given \$12,000 in dental supplies donated by Dr. Jeff Geno of Houston, Texas. € 10,751.
- * American Citizenship Project
Partnership with the New Orleans Public Library to provide citizenship instruction to illegal immigrants. We meet with them weekly at the local library and assist in the completion of lengthy, complicated citizenship applications and also provide one-on-one tutoring in preparation for the citizenship interview and examination. We instruct for two hours a week. We have counselled many potential applicants and during this year have assisted six persons (hailing from four separate countries) in attaining citizenship, with others currently in the process.
- * Luke's House Free Medical Clinic.
This is a local free clinic in Central City, New Orleans, and a neighbourhood which sorely needs medical services such as this one. Luke's House began as a mission of the local Methodist Church, Rayne Memorial, and is staffed by volunteers from the LSU Hospital and others. We have in the past donated computers, patient examining room curtains, and other improvements. This year, we were able, with a matching donation from the American Association of St. Lazarus, to fund the purchase of one new patient exam table, plus three used and refurbished exam tables to replace the rather worn out and rickety yoga tables they had previously used. The total donation was \$3,000.00, shared between the Southern Commandery and the American Association. € 2,688



<http://www.lukeshouseclinic.org>



J. Brent Wallis is the Medical Director

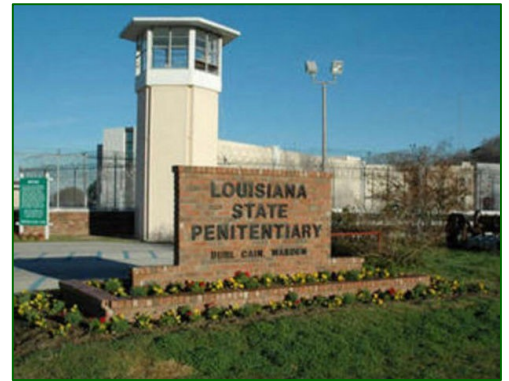




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✳ Cornerstone Builders “NOLA to Angola” Bus Charter for Prison Visits - \$1,500 each from Southern Commandery and from the National Association. € 2,688. Cornerstone Builders is a program begun by a minister at a local Baptist Church in Marrero, Louisiana, now also under the umbrella of Catholic Charities of New Orleans, and provides counselling and assistance to inmates who are attempting to rebuild their lives after release. Cornerstone also arranges sponsored passenger buses, which take family members to visit those in their families who are incarcerated in Angola, Dixon, Hunt, and several others correctional facilities in Louisiana, whose distance would otherwise have made it difficult to impossible for these families to maintain contact. This year, and with one matching donation from The American Association of St. Lazarus, we sponsored two buses to take families to Angola and to Dixon on the Saturday before Christmas.

Picture: Louisiana State Penitentiary (NOLA.com | the Times-Picayune archive)



✳ Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans “(RHINO)” \$1,000(€ 896) Originally conceived in September of 2005 in response to Hurricane Katrina, Rebuilding Hope in New Orleans (RHINO) has evolved as a life-changing ministry ever since, increasing its participation in service projects and volunteer work citywide. In the wake of the storm, the staff and congregation of St. Charles Avenue Presbyterian Church created RHINO as a vibrant service organization to provide an affordable, meaningful and coordinated vehicle for concerned citizens, friends and neighbours from all over the world to help rebuild New Orleans and restore hope throughout our community.

RHINO
rebuilding hope in New Orleans



✳ **The Buck head Christian Ministry:** \$5,000 earmarked for their innovative program to prevent homelessness for families in crisis. € 4,480. For more than 25 years, Buckhead Christian Ministry (BCM) has worked to prevent hunger and homelessness for local people facing life-changing events such as a job loss, a reduction in work hours or a medical problem. BCM’s mission is to provide emergency and housing assistance to individuals and families of all faiths, in particular addressing the needs of low-income workers and helping them to achieve stability. Through the provision of food, clothing, financial assistance and life skills education, BCM seeks to prevent homelessness for individuals and families in crisis. BCM also fosters community by engaging volunteers in bringing hope and compassion to people of all faiths.

✳ In 2014, the Atlantic commandery continued its support of wounded service members from all over the world who are being treated at the Walter Reed National Military Medical Centre through its support of the Aleethia Foundation. The Aleethia Foundation provides short-term therapeutic recreation, small financial grants, family emergency aid, assistive technology items, home improvements to assist with an injured service member's mobility and other basic needs. Doctors have determined that it is beneficial for the wounded/injured/ill service members to get out of the hospital environment occasionally. The mission of the foundation is to help them get out for meals, movies, sightseeing and visits to interesting sites in the area. The Atlantic commandery has sponsored some of the “Friday Night Dinners” which the foundation has been providing since 2003. These dinners are an integral part of the healing process and over 46,700 meals have been provided to wounded/injured/ill service members and their families while recovering at medical centre.





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<http://www.thequeenofangels.com/>

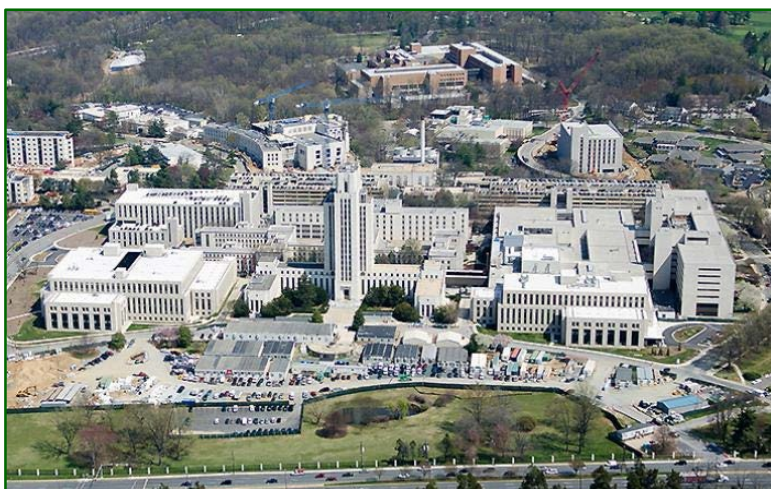
- * Good Shepherd Shelter (Venice, California)
- * Good Shepherd Centre for Homeless Women and Children (Los Angeles, California)
- * St. Vincent Meals on Wheels (Los Angeles, California)
- * Salvation Army Centre of Hope, donation in kind.
- * The Queen of Angels Foundation (Los Angeles, California)

The Foundation seeks to educate, “E-evangelize” and re-evangelize the public regarding Our Lady of the Angels, the glorious Catholic heritage of Los Angeles, the Archangels St. Michael, St. Raphael, and St. Gabriel, and the Guardian Angels, and related devotional practices and their history by this website, www.queenofangels.com, and such announcements, articles and brochures as may be issued from time to time by the Foundation in support of its devotional and educational mission. By doing so, the Foundation seeks to foster a more perfect life in its Members, deepening their bond to Christ and His Church through Mary, the *Theotokos*, the Mother of God and Mother of all believers.

- * San Fernando Mission General Fund (San Fernando, California)
- * Carl Hayden V.A. Hospital (Phoenix, Arizona)
- * Central California V.A. Hospital (Fresno, California)
- * Donation \$200.00 and approximately 25 pounds
- * Carl Hayden V.A. Hospital (Phoenix, Arizona) Central California V.A. Hospital (Fresno, California)



- * Donation \$200.00 and approximately 25 pounds of sample-size lotions, toothpaste and miscellaneous toiletries to the Oasis Shelter (Shelter for abused women and children). € 179.
- * Approximately 20 visits to the Veteran's Home to visit our shut in veterans. (VA = Veterans Affairs)



<https://www.clarkconstruction.com/our-work/projects/walter-reed-national-military-medical-center>





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Grand Priory of England & Wales

- ✦ **The Nazareth Trust: £1,000 (€ 1,372)** in response to emergency appeal of 1st August for aid for the Al Ahli Hospital in Gaza.

The crisis in Gaza has the hospitals in the region struggling with shortages in medicine, fuel for the electrical generators, and food for patients, staff, and the people in the surrounding community. The Al-Ahli Hospital has suffered structural damage to the ventilation systems in the operating theatre and emergency room, and damage to many windows.



Destroyed: a shell-damaged ward in the Palestinian Al Aqsa hospital in Deir al Balah

<http://www.churchtimes.co.uk/articles/2014/8-august/news/world/hospitals-in-gaza-struggle-to-cope-with-casualties>

- ✦ **St John of Jerusalem Eye Hospital: £6,500 (€ 8,921).** For support to operating theatres giving access from Gaza and the West Bank (2nd of two annual grants).
- ✦ **DEBRA (Dystrophic Epidermolysis Bullosa Research Association) £ 1,870.00 (€ 2,569)** Epidermolysis Bullosa (EB) is a rare genetic disease characterized by the presence of extremely fragile skin and recurrent blister formation, resulting from minor mechanical friction or trauma. This condition is not contagious. An estimated 1 out of every 20,000 live births are affected with some type of EB. The disorder occurs in every racial and ethnic group throughout the world and affects both sexes equally.
- ✦ **Shelter Box (international disaster relief charity) £300.00 (€ 412).** Help for Heroes **£500.00 (€ 686)**
- ✦ **Beetham Parish Church £200.00 (€ 275)**
- ✦ **Brain Haemorrhage Support Group £300.00 (€ 412)**
By working in partnership with the Walton Centre's Neurosurgeons, Neuropsychologists and a Neurovascular Nurse Specialist, the BHSG help provide those affected by the condition a with an opportunity to progress and recover more quickly.
- ✦ **Marie Curie Cancer Care £500.00 (€ 688)** <https://www.mariecurie.org.uk/>
- ✦ **RV Mission (India) £1,500 (€ 2,064)**

Grand Priory of France

- ✦ Sending books and school supplies, scientific and medical books to **Bamako**.
Collection and shipment of 8,000 pairs of glasses to Africa (**Senegal-Benin-Cameroon**).
- ✦ Shipping heavy medical equipment, beds for adults and children, infants cradles, incubators, examination tables, delivery and operating tables, stems and infusion equipment, light boxes, orthopaedic equipment, dialysis machines, bedside tables, dressing chairs, wheelchairs, trolleys, medicine cabinets, secretarial offices, storage cabinets, catalytic and examination lamps, mattresses, stretchers, etc. and various small equipment to **Madagascar, Armenia and Sumatra** for a total value of over € 800,000, and to **Romania, Haiti and Cameroon** for a total value of over € 400,000.
Total € 1,200,000.
- ✦ Summer clothes collection for Africa.
- ✦ Implementation of actions for Christians in the Middle East.





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Overview Community Service without volunteers hours			
In Euro's			
We have international members, we have the agreement to pay 5 euro per member. The total amount form the members (4,600) = € 9,200.=			
Austria >	4,500.=	Netherlands >	3,925.=
Australia >	29,560.=	Scotland >	6,615.=
Castello >	500.=	Spain >	6,400.=
England-Wales >	8,478.=	Slovakia >	3,700.=
Finland >	6,140.=	Singapore-Indonesia >	850.=
France,Boigny >	3,200.=	Castle Sighardstein >	100.=
Germany	7,300.=	Wallendorf >	11,200
Italia >	4,300.=	Nw.Zealand >	14,546.=
Maltese Islands >	1,64.=	GPA >	21,130.=
Hongarian >	5,190.=		
Sweden- material >	45,424.=		
Finland >	project Labrador		





17. Miscellaneous, not classified

Grand Priory of Brazil

✦ The Grand Priory of Brazil distributes food and clothing and provides transportation assistance to those in need on a monthly basis. During 2014, they have expanded their assistance activities to people with leprosy and support a physical therapist and a graduate student dentist to care for leprosy patients. On a monthly basis, they hold an inter-disciplinary meeting on leprosy. They also organize regular meetings with speakers, paramedics and volunteers in the Sanitary Dermatology Centre of the State Secretariat of Health in São Paulo. The Grand Priory of Brazil has focused on providing assistance to people with leprosy since approximately 3,000 new cases of leprosy are diagnosed each year in São Paulo. A majority of those diagnosed with leprosy are in the low socio-economic level. The Grand Priory of Brazil has an agreement to support three Leprosy Associations in São Paulo.

The Grand Priory of Brazil has also been working with patient groups who have disabilities. They perform craft work with patients undergoing occupational therapy. The patients make small objects such as ornaments, jewellery and magnets for refrigerators. These items are sold in bazaars, and the money is given to the artisans who made them. This project provides an opportunity for the physical and social rehabilitation of patients, as well as showing them a way to make money.

Priory of Liechtenstein

✦ The "Lazarus Public Charitable Trust – LPCT"

(Reg. No. 84/13 Kazhakuttom, Thiruvananthapuram – 695 582), Office: C/o, Vineesh Bhavan, Plavila Puthen Veedu Kilikottukonam, Ooruttambalam P.O. Trivandrum 695 507 Kerala, India

✦ 2013 is an initiative of the "Lazarus Hilfswerk – LHW" founded in Liechtenstein. The LPCT is beneficial to the public (charitable). We want to establish in India a training centre for trades under the Swiss model. Occupations such as carpenter, mason, electrician and plumber will be trained in the beginning. This will be realized at the designated "Lazarus College of Craft – LCOC" in Kochuveli, Thiruvananthapuram – 695021, in collaboration with TSSS under Latin Archdiocese of Trivandrum. The LCOC is coordinated by Dr. Don Guido H. Hangartner, KLJ (EGCLJ)/ KHS, commissioned by the "St. Xavier's Institute of Technology" in Valiathura, Thiruvananthapuram.



We expect a total investment until the time of deductibles approximately CHF 5'500'000.-- [5.5Mio.](ca. € 4'500'000.-- [4.5 Mio.]) (ca. INR 35'50'00'000.-- [35.5 Crore]) This money is not easy to obtain and it is almost impossible without the generous support from government and industry.





Continuation Miscellaneous, not classified

Grand Bailiwick of the Czech Republic

- * **Prague** commandery got a lecture from confrere Trefny, MD, GCLJ about his participation in the investiture in Macedonia (FYROM) and an expert interpretation on heraldic from confrere Olšovský, KLJJ. Money was sent to our protector in Syria to His Beatitude Gregorius III Laham. Members of the Order together with the National Gallery and the association LORM for blind and deaf prepared a visit of collections in the Veletržní palace. Their members are impaired either in sight or hearing and some communicate with touching LORM alphabet only. Sightseeing tour has been adapted to them. Expert from the Gallery translated into LORM and sign language with touching of the artefacts in clotted gloves. The visit has been introduced with lecture about Gallery of modern Art in Veletržní palace. All were very much satisfied. Communion of assistant of Saint Lazarus Order continues with support of the hospice in Rwanda near its capital Kigali. Repeatedly the money was sent to African students from East Congo. Together with OF Foundation means were secured for repair of the church in Straz pod Ralskem. **Total € 9,580**
- * **Saint Agnes** commandery focused at work in the hospice Strasburk. Two members are acting in the governing Board and other two work as an employee. This utility is running 25 beds mainly in single bed rooms. Relatives may be provided with extra bed. This year the capacity was utilized for 82%. 220 clients were admitted, of which 200 died and 20 were released. Average length of stay was 33 days. One day expenditure was 85 Euro. **Donation from other organisations € 57,500.**
- * **Plzen** commandery donated means to the hospice of Saint Lazar, Diocesan Charity and Red Cross Plzen. Contributed to humanitarian aid and bandages for leprosy. Donated from members **€ 3,400.**
- * **Saint Zdislava** Commandery contributed money to many charitable institutions – Integrated family centre Pardubice, Home for the Elderly Radhost, Hospic Cerveny Kostelec, St Josephus home in Zirec and Roman Catholic Church in Horni Jeleni. Members were administering and managing the ecumenical chapel at Zebin. According to their abilities they were dealing with various charitable activities – assisted clients of Home for the Elderly Naděje, translated religious text, organised tenders for repair of churches and other buildings. Various activities were organised. Knirov pilgrimage, Beatification of empress Zita in Minoriten Closter in Brno, Benediction of calvary of queen Eliška Přemyslovna in Roudna Nove Hrad. In Hradec Kralove meeting with students Prointepo in presence of Bishop Jan Vokal from Hradec Kralove. Seminar in parliament Homage to Queen Eliska Premyslovna“. The collection has been printed and introduced Her image in presence of twelve outstanding historians, Minister of culture CR and parliamentary Chancellor. Requiem on the battlefield Moravske Pole near Suche Kruty in Austria. **Donation from members € 8,850, from other organizations € 57,100, voluntary work 425 hours, € 4,250. Total € 14,000.**



Hospic Cerveny Kostelec





Miscellaneous, not classified - continuation -

Grand Bailiwick of Germany

- * The Hilfswerk Deutscher Zahnärzten (German Dentist Relief Organization), further called HDZ paid € 4,000 for the leprosy project in Bhubaneswar in India (flagship project Order). The DHZ is very much involved in the charitable activities of the Grand Bailiwick of Germany.
- * The DHZ invested € 800,000 in 50 national (Germany) and international projects. Besides this they donated € 15,000 for the refugees from Syria and € 15,000 in the project of the senior chaplain of the Grand Bailiwick "Ausbildung statt Abschiebung" (education instead of deportation). Volunteer hours 2,500. **€ 25,000.**

European Humanitarian Grand Priory

- * Lazarus Hilfswerk Germany.
In addition to the operation of the existing four St. Lazarus homes for the elderly in Wuppertal, Krefeld, Bergheim and Cologne, which provide a variety of areas of care, as well as other services such as assisted living. In the field of elder care, the Lazarus Hilfswerk also offers optimized services to the ambulatory. Three outpatient care stations in the regions of Cologne, Hürth, Frechen, Bergheim and Krefeld, provide services to over 200 patrons daily. In Krefeld, the expansion of additional services such as housekeeping, leisure time, and health care, are being tested. Their yearly turnover at the moment is **8 million Euros.**
- * Lazarus Stations Ermland Masuren (GPEU)
Outpatient care in Poland (Ermland Masuren). Their yearly turnover is 351,000 Zloty. **€ 84,536.**

Miscellaneous, not classified without volunteers hours	
In Euro's	
We have international members, who have agreed to pay 5 euro per member. The total amount from the members (4,600) = € 9,200.	
Brazil	Food distribution
European Humanitarian GP ¹⁸	84,536
Lazarus Hilfswerk ¹⁹	8,000,000
Grand Bailiwick of Germany ²⁰	25,000
Liechtenstein	See above, page 73
Czech Republic	21,750
	Donation from others 114,600

¹⁸ See footnote page 9

¹⁹ See footnote page 9

²⁰ See footnote page 9





**It is not how
much we give
but how much
love we put
into giving**

- Mother Teresa -

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