



# ADRA

Czech Republic 2020

*Annual Report*

# ADRA CZECH REPUBLIC IN 2020



We have overcome unexpected challenges

ADRA helps people in need and brings hope where there is not much left. Thanks to our donors and all those who supported us in various ways, we were able to keep fulfilling our mission in the challenging and turbulent year of 2020. We helped tens of thousands of people all around the world who were affected by natural disasters and war. We also focused on supporting individuals impacted by emergencies in the Czech Republic. The biggest challenge by far was providing help through the COVID-19 pandemic.

# HOW WE HELP IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

## Volunteering Centres

We coordinate 15 volunteer centres located throughout the Czech Republic, as well as 25 ADRA charity stores and 11 social wardrobes. Our volunteers regularly visit hospitals, nursing homes and other host organizations to provide comfort and assistance to those in need. In the first wave of the pandemic, our help was mostly focused on buying food and providing masks. In the second wave, our volunteers helped mainly in social and medical facilities, where the impact of the pandemic often pushed staff to the limits of their psychical and mental capacities.



# Emergency Relief Department



We help in emergencies, supplying material, financial and volunteering support as well as psychological assistance and accompaniment to people who have been affected by tragic events. In 2020, more than 1,100 volunteers participated in the activities ADRA provided. In addition to distributing material assistance during the pandemic, our volunteers also took part in telephone support in order to assist those who were struggling. We trained 31 new volunteers in psychological first aid.

# Education Department

We focus on global development education at all levels, support educators and carry out awareness-raising activities on global issues and sustainable development. Through these efforts, we contribute to greater solidarity between people. In 2020, a methodological guide for preschools was created, providing information on how to bring the Sustainable Development Goals closer to young children. Together, the children build a well, design a magical factory that creates beautiful things from waste and understand that they too can actively change the world. We organized the 5th edition of ADRA's Comics Competition, centred on the topics of the Sustainable Development Goals.





# HOW WE HELP ABROAD



In 2020, we provided humanitarian aid abroad that exceeded a total volume of 1.65 million euro (42 million CZK). Over 983,000 EUR (25 million CZK) were allocated to development projects. We implemented projects in 13 countries around the world and helped a total of 198,810 people. These were projects in the areas of education, livelihoods, health and emergency. The implementation was possible thanks to the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic and the Czech Development Agency within the framework of humanitarian aid provided abroad, and also thanks to the donations kindly provided by private donors.

# Livelihoods

*"We very much appreciate ADRA's support. It allowed us to grow something by ourselves, stand on our own two feet and live a more dignified life. We had to leave our home in the north of Mali, but now we are hopeful again."*

*Farimata Walette Infadahi, the grandmother of four children, whom she raises on her own.*

In Mali, we purchased 450 goats to support women who have been affected by the security situation, have fled their homes and need to take care of their families by themselves. We also organized "smart gardening" courses on how to adapt to local droughts and provided tools and seeds.



# Education



In Niger, we participated in the construction of a new school for Nigerian and Malian children.

In Ethiopia, we promoted children's equality through inclusive education.

In Myanmar, we financially supported the children of internally displaced families whose parents could not afford them to pursue education.

In Syria, we repaired and equipped 22 war-damaged classrooms.

In Moldova, we supported the inclusion of children with autism.

In Ukraine, we provided lunches to children from socially disadvantaged families.



# Emergency

*"An earthquake destroyed our house, but, fortunately, my family managed to survive. Our hope is that one day we will have a fully functional infrastructure and our own home."*

*Asdar, the father of a family from Indonesia.*

In Indonesia, we trained construction workers in earthquake-resistant techniques that help maintain the stability of houses even in the event of a shock.



In Lebanon, we have improved the living conditions of 238 households that are staying in collective centres for Syrian refugees.



# Health

*"ADRA has restored our dignity and given us privacy. Thanks to the project, we have clean drinking water, we can wash ourselves and go to the toilet like human beings. At least our basic hygienic needs are being met."*

*Ramah, mother of a four-year-old girl, originally from Syria.*



In Lebanon, we are working in the long term to facilitate access to drinking water and improve hygiene conditions for people in refugee camps in the Bika Valley. We built a new water reservoir in the village of Al Bireh.



In Ethiopia and Zambia, we have contributed to the prevention of the spread of COVID-19 by equipping mobile laboratories, improving access to water and organizing awareness-raising campaigns.

# LONG-TERM PROJECTS

## ABROAD

### BanglaKids

In 2020, we supported the education of 1,283 children and youth from the poorest Bangladeshi families. Apart of education, lunches, school supplies, uniforms and medical care were provided to village school children. Students and orphans at boarding schools receive also accommodation and all-day meals.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, schools were closed in March and many families lost their livelihoods. With the consent of our donors, we used their contributions for humanitarian food aid to alleviate the situation of 1,434 children and families.



# Chalantika



The Chalantika Slum Education Centre in Bangladesh supports 112 children and 80 mothers. We distributed food, basic hygiene items and raised awareness on how to stay safe during the COVID-19 pandemic. Unlike state-run Bangladeshi schools, Chalantika remained open to children, allowing the students to keep learning, receive hot meals, and have their mothers attend educational courses. Chalantika slum fire on March 11 left 10,000 people homeless, including 54 children from our centre. We supported them with basic needs until their families were secured at their relatives and renewed dwellings.

# Itibo

We have been operating the Itibo Medical Center in Kenya for more than 15 years. After finishing its reconstruction and adding new equipment, we obtained the status of a mission hospital from the Kenyan Ministry of Health. This has allowed us to make medical care much more accessible. The number of births in our hospital has increased by 30% compared to the previous years and neonatal mortality has dropped by more than 50%.





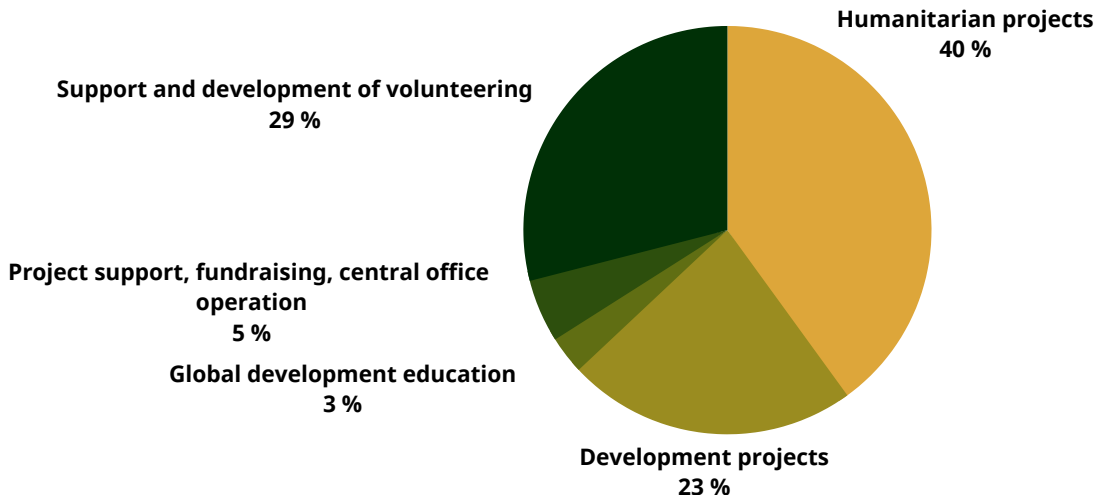
# OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

## Linking the ADRA charity shop with Virtual Reality

We wanted to offer something nice and light-hearted to our donors and supporters. Eight of the items offered in our charity online shop ADRA Dárek can be now displayed in 3D or Augmented Reality via mobile phone. So, for instance, when a donor purchases a goat for a family in Africa, they can view it at home using their tablet or phone.



# FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY



The total revenues of ADRA, o.p.s. reached 4.43 million euros (112,663 000 CZK) in 2020. The predominant part of the revenues was sourced from public budgets (59%) and donations from individuals and companies (40%).