



Udruga Samaritanaca Republike Hrvatske

Croatian Samaritan Organisation Founded

Zagreb, 27 June 2003 – With the official registration of the Organisation “Samaritanci” (Croatian for Samaritans), conducted on 27 June 2003, the family of International Samaritan Organisations has been enriched with a new partner in the South Eastern Europe. In line with the statutes of the “Arbeiter-Samariter-Bund Germany” (ASB), the Croatian Samaritans will provide social, medical and educational services to the Croatian population.

The first activities have already started. Through funding from the British Government, the organisation will conduct the reconstruction of a war-damaged Community Centre in Majur, situated in the Northern part of Croatia, as well as the reconstruction of a kindergarten in Donji Lapac, located in the south of Croatia.

In addition, the Croatian Samaritans are currently closely co-operating with the Croatian Government in order to establish the basis for the care of disabled children and elderly people.

The Croatian Samaritans are currently searching for local ASB branch offices in the Federal Republic of Germany who are interested in establishing co-operation.

The background for the establishment of the Samaritans in Croatia can be found in the ASB’s presence in this region for over 12 years until now. Through funding from the European Union, the German Government and other donors, ASB has implemented projects in a total amount exceeding € 120 million over the past 12 years, with € 60 million in Croatia over the past six years. Projects dealing with refugee return, reconstruction, demining, social and economical infrastructure have been implemented by ASB in 26 municipalities throughout Croatia.

The members of “Samaritanci” as well as the ASB staff are at your disposal for any additional information required.

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