

Caritas Football Cup was held for the 4th time



June 1, on the International Children's Day and the day of Champion League final, the All-Ukrainian Youth Football Contest Caritas Cup took place in Kyiv. The football tournament for children and adolescents was organized by Caritas Ukraine for the fourth year in a row with support of the Ukrainian Football Association. Caritas Cup first was launched in 2016, when children and teens from five Ukrainian cities competed with each other.

In 2019, 8 teams submitted for the Cup from Kyiv, Khmelnytsky, Dnipro, Zaporizhia, Odesa, Brody, Kamenka and Mariupol. The total number of participants was about 100 people. Brody team became this year champion.

The Cup was supported by our corporate partners Coca-Cola, McDonalds and Metro Cash&Carry.

President of Caritas Ukraine Andriy Waskowycz elected member of Representative Council of Caritas Internationalis



More than 400 delegates and guests from 146 national Caritas organizations gathered in May in Rome for the 21st Caritas Internationalis General Assembly to discuss future of the Confederation and to elect its governance and executive bodies for the next four years.

The General Assembly has reconfirmed Cardinal Luis Antonio Gokim Tagle as President of Caritas Internationalis and has elected Aloysius John as the new Secretary General.

The president of Caritas Ukraine Andriy Waskowycz was elected into the Representative Council of Caritas Internationalis which consists of 21 representatives from the 7 regions of the Confederation and serves a four-year term to govern the confederation's activities.

In the final statement of the General Assembly all members of Caritas reaffirmed their commitment "to build a world where God is recognized as love, justice and peace; where

solidarity is embraced by all, so there are no more excluded, exploited or abused; where all people live with dignity and where all of creation is cherished in our common home.”

For the first time in history, the General Assembly held a youth and a women’s forum to lay the groundwork to increase the roles of women in leadership and the participation of youth within the Caritas confederation.

Caritas Odesa run charity marathon LaufWunder



May 25, 2019, Caritas Odesa UGCC supported by Department of Education and Science of the Odesa City Council and private donors, successfully conducted the charity children's marathon "LaufWunder".

For 12 consecutive years, the marathon called "LaufWunder" or "Amazing Run" is organized by the Austrian YoungCaritas. Children and youth from 4 to 19 years old took part in the event. Marathon is purposed to draw public attention to the needs of vulnerable people, especially crisis children, and to raise funds to help them through Caritas centers.

Length of marathon was about 1 km and about 200 children from 4 Odesa schools run in it.

Learning Path for local Caritas directors

May 14-16, 2019, the 3rd training for the directors of Caritas’ local centers called "Managing Human Potential in an Organization" (part Learning Path training) took place in Kyiv. This time main focus was on fundraising. Within 3 days, 16 local directors studied and practically worked out system approach to human potential management,



financial sustainability of organization, basics of crowdfunding, opportunities and tools for its realization, basics of social entrepreneurship, development of a business plan, etc.

Training was organized on the initiative of Caritas Ukraine and the Catholic Relief Service (CRS).

Caritas launches new water supply project in buffer zone



According to estimations of experts, amount of funds needed for reconstruction of water supply, so that Ukrainians could drink water directly from cranes, is about 40 billion dollars. Especially critical is situation in little towns and villages near contact line in the East of Ukraine.

Last year as a pilot project, Caritas Mariupol began to work on search for underground water sources and building pump stations in

two locations of the buffer zone in Donetsk region.

This year, Caritas Internationalis financially supported project that will allow access to drinking water to more people. Thanks to this funding Caritas Ukraine together with Caritas Mariupol launched project "Ukraine: Emergency Response to the Crisis". By the end of the year, Caritas Mariupol team plans to solve water supply problems in at least 5 locations of the buffer zone in Donetsk and Lugansk regions.

Coca-Cola and In-Time supports Caritas Ukraine children and elderly projects



24 thousand liters of juice from Coca-Cola were handed over to vulnerable population, especially crisis children, through Caritas local organizations. Beneficiaries of Caritas Ukraine network from Trans Carpathian to buffer zone in the East of Ukraine received delicious and quality juices. Such extremely large party of support was transferred to local organizations

completely free with the help of logistics company "In-Time".

"We are extremely glad to be able to get juices and transfer them to the most vulnerable categories of people who systematically get help from Caritas Ukraine organizations. Their package with soft drinks received crisis children and lonely elderly people," says Vladyslav Shelokov, Communication and Resource Mobilization Director of Caritas Ukraine.

Results of the All-Ukrainian Charity Campaign Easter Basket 2019



Since the beginning of the Great Fast in local centers of Caritas Ukraine network, traditional charity campaign "Easter Basket" took place. Purpose of this campaign is to share the joy of Easter with the those who need the most.

Caritas Poltava handed over 86 food parcels to its beneficiaries. Caritas Kyiv shared the joy of Christ's Resurrection with lonely elderly people, crisis families and families with children with disabilities - more than 300 people received Easter

baskets. 128 sets of aid were received beneficiaries of Home Care project and the Center for Children and Families in Kharkiv. Caritas Ternopil distributed 300 Easter food parcels. Caritas Khmelnytsky presented 105 food parcels for families in need. The same amount was distributed by Caritas Kolomyia. April 26 Novovolynsk Center for Children and Families of Caritas Volyn gave presents to crisis families, orphans and people with disabilities -125 packages, generously filled with various food and sweets, were handed to the most vulnerable. Caritas Kramatorsk presented Easter gift sets with the hygiene products to the local House of Mercy: 95 kg. of vegetables, more than 60 kg. of groceries, 25 items of canned food, 74 liters of juice, about 25 kg. of hygienic products.

We are grateful to all our corporate and private donors, who make it all happened!

Caritas Kreminna started express-food project "Food on Wheels" for vulnerable people

Citizens of Kreminna in Donetsk region are mainly elderly, internally displaced people (IDPs), persons with disabilities and crisis families, get a chance to receive hot lunches directly to their place of residence.

For the first week of project, 100 people enjoyed hot food delivered to their homes. "Food on Wheels" project provides for food for lonely, palliative patients, elderly people, people with disabilities and those, who are in difficult life situations. Project is supported by Porticus Worldwide - international organization that manages and develops the philanthropic programs of charitable entities.



Director of Caritas Chernivtsi became "Volunteer of the Year"



Father Vasyl, army chaplain, Director of Caritas Chernivtsi became the winner of the National Charity Ukraine-2018 "Volunteer of the Year" (2nd place). The priest said that this nomination became surprise for him, because he did not even know that he was registered for the competition.

Moreover, Caritas Kharkiv took the 2nd place in the nomination "Charity in the social sphere", Caritas Poltava was among organizers of the ceremony of regional contest "Charitable Poltava 2018".

At the regional stage of the Charity L'viv Region 2018 competition, Caritas L'viv took the 2nd place in the nomination "Regional Charity" and 3rd place in the nomination "Charity in the Social Sphere". Caritas Zaporizhzhya was the regional partner of the Ukrainian Philanthropists Forum in the contest held in the city.

Poltava held Sunny Ball



21 March is the World Down Syndrome Day. This day in the Poltava History Museum the Sunny Ball was organized for the first by Caritas Poltava. For this special holiday arrived children from different corners of Ukraine. Theater "The Bell" with the participation of children with mental disabilities presented polonaise. After this the waltz was performed, followed by other dance routines.

Director of Caritas Poltava, Father Volodymyr Rakovetsky, noted that the main goal was to attract attention to "sunny" children.

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