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# Our Mission

The IWCR members raise funds to provide support  
and financial assistance  
for charities carefully selected each year.

Our primary focus is on helping families, young  
mothers, the elderly and the abused  
both in Riga and the Latvian countryside.

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**In 2019 IWCR supports  
12 charities**  
with the money raised at the 2018 Bazaar.





## The Auce Crisis Center for Children “Namiņš”

“Namiņš” is a drop-in center for children. Every day many children come to the center after school where they receive a free hot meal, clothing, etc.

### *How IWCR supports:*

- €1,000 for school supplies in August;
- €4,000 for boots/ shoes in spring & fall for each child;
- June 2019 contributed with food and drinks for excursion to celebrate school year end; and
- June 2019, IWCR board members visit with cake and treats to celebrate year end, lunch with center found.



## Latvian Association of Cystic Fibrosis

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Latvian Association of Cystic Fibrosis is an organisation that supports families in Latvia which have children with Cystic Fibrosis, a congenital genetic disease that can affect various body organs including lungs, intestines, liver, and pancreas.

### *How IWCR supports:*

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€3,000 for new sterilizers and  
educational seminars for parents.





## Foster Families Association

Foster Families Association is an organisation that encourages and supports families raising children left without parental care, by promoting social inclusion of children under the care of foster parents & guardians. The Association has united 200 guardians & foster families with 356 children from all regions of Latvia.



### *How IWCR supports:*

- €4,640 to run their main operation center;
- €1,000 for school supplies;
- Clothes, household items, etc. collected at the IWCR charity drive twice a year; and
- Collected & contributed sweets for an Easter egg hunt.

## Hope for Children and Bolderaja Day Care

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Hope for Children and Bolderaja Day Care is a crisis centre for children from families in need and/or dysfunctional families.

### *How IWCR supports:*

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- The IWCR supports monthly with money for food; finances school supplies and new shoes;
- IWCR members organise small activities at Bolderaja center, such as cooking, crafting, games playing; and
- €3,600 annually for food in the Center;
  - €1,500 for shoes in July; and
  - €2,000 for school supplies in September







## Irlava Orphanage

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Irlava Orphanage is a state-owned orphanage near Tukums with 30 children from age 2 to 18.

### *How IWCR supports:*

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- The IWCR supports the orphanage with medication, eye wear, and excursions; and
- €1,440 annually.

On June 6, 2013, with the help of sponsors, the IWCR opened a beautiful outdoor playground for children including a wooden swing that was also donated by one of our members.



## Marta Center

The Marta Center is a resource centre for women and children, including migrants and non-citizens, women that are victims of domestic violence and human trafficking, and children that are at risk of becoming victims of human trafficking. The center's help varies from providing psychological help, legal counselling, help with shelter search, etc. Marta is actively fighting to enforce human rights and gender equality in Latvia.

### *How IWCR supports:*

IWCR provided financial help to provide counseling and support for children exposed to, or at risk of, human trafficking and prostitution.

- €5,000 for a team of specialists helping victims of violence including psychologist, asylum and house search help, and an administrator.







## Milk Formula Charity

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Since 2014, IWCR supports Milk Formula Charity with milk formula and diapers for single mothers or families in need. Milk Formula Charity works closely with Missionaries of Charity.

### *How IWCR supports:*

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IWCR provided support collected through out bi-annual charity drives.

€1200 annually for formula and diapers

## Missionaries of Charity

Missionaries of Charity is a religious Christian crisis centre / organisation, run by the Sisters of Mother Theresa that help the poorest people in Latvia.

### *How IWCR supports:*

The IWCR provides monthly financial support for their soup kitchen and medicine.

- €2700 annually for the soup kitchen and medication.





## Rūpju Bērns

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Rupju Berns is an association with ten day care and living centers around Latvia for people with advanced intellectual or developmental disability.

### *How IWCR supports:*

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Ongoing support for their centers from IWCR over the years has helped to maintain the centers, introduce health, education, activities and excursions.

- €2,500 for health education and activities in 2019.



## Ronald McDonald House Charity Foundation in Latvia

Ronald McDonald House Charity Foundation in Latvia – Care Mobile is an organization focused on creating, finding, and supporting programs that directly improve the health and well-being of children. The Care Mobile unit is a 17 meter long, modern vehicle which is equipped to provide medical services. Patients can receive free-of-charge eye, pediatric, allergy, child neurology, endocrinology, cardiology, and gastroenterology exams, as well as extensive educational programs for children.

### *How IWCR supports:*

The IWCR works in partnership with the Care Mobile, and with our support they bring medical services to the children at Ilūciems Women's Prison and Irlava orphanage.

- €1,000 for their mobile health unit to visit charities we support.



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## SOS Children's Villages Latvia

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SOS Children's Villages Latvia is a social charity organisation that provides long-term, family-based care for children who have lost their parents and carries out family support programs.

### *How IWCR supports:*

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€3,000 for an individual program to support children who have lost their parents.

## Samaritans

The Samaritans is the largest charity organization in Latvia, and carries out numerous projects all around Latvia including; a food bank, certified first aid, and basic care via their mobile medical project in remote rural areas. They support several centres in Latvia including crisis centres for children, assisted living for people with handicaps, and the elderly.

### *How IWCR supports:*

IWCR has helped with a projects, such as purchasing clothes or toys based on need, and sponsoring an art project in one of the centres.

- €600 for general materials and activities.







## St. Saviour's Anglican Church

St. Saviour's Anglican Church is a volunteer organization that serves hot food for more than 150 hungry and homeless people at no cost every Saturday.

### *How IWCR supports:*

For many years the IWCR has been providing monthly financial support for the soup kitchen in Riga's Old Town, which is managed by St. Saviour's Anglican Church Council.

- €3,360 annually for a soup kitchen.