

OVERVIEW 2022

Understanding Secours Catholique – Caritas France,
its missions and its work

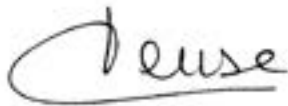
A RENEWED COMMITMENT IN THE FACE OF CRISES

“There are not two distinct crises, one environmental and the other social, but a single, complex socio-environmental crisis.” This is what Pope Francis reminds us in *Laudato Si’* and what we witness every day at Secours Catholique, both in France and internationally. Our strategies for advocacy and action are intended to respond to this dual emergency and set the course for building a fairer and more fraternal world. We are living it, in no small measure, through our two flagship programmes for 2022. The Together, Live Well, Eat Well programme aims to guarantee decent access to sustainable and good quality food for all. And the one that we are conducting with our partners in 18 countries, through a long-term partnership agreement with the Agence Française de Développement (AFD), with a view to defining and implementing our vision of a sustainable ecological transition. Two ambitious programmes that complement each other, based on a local-global approach to which we committed in 2021.

During two years of health crisis, the poorest households have become more impoverished, despite ad hoc state assistance. This is borne out by our annual Statistical Report on poverty, where we track the changes in living standard of the people we support, after deducting necessary expenditure such as energy and rent. Innovative and ambitious policies are needed to lift people out of long-term poverty.

It also takes people to carry out our missions, and the trust, that our teams and volunteers know so well how to cultivate in a spirit of fraternity with people in vulnerable situations, is the hallmark of Secours Catholique and the driving force behind its work. It is also what makes our advocacy approach so special, when we invite politicians to meet the people we support, so that – like us – they can put faces to the figures for unemployment, immigration, poor housing, poverty... Last but not least we need funding, and the immense generosity shown in 2022, both for the victims of the crisis in Ukraine and for our usual projects, has once again enabled us to rise to the challenges of building a world that is just and fraternal. Huge thanks go to our loyal supporters, but also to the many donors who have joined us this year to rise to these challenges.

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National President





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SECOURS CATHOLIQUE – CARITAS FRANCE

Secours Catholique – Caritas France is a branch of the Catholic Church in France, a member of Caritas Internationalis confederation and an officially recognised non-profit organisation

OUR MISSION

Founded on the Gospel, the mission of Secours Catholique – Caritas France is to offer love and awareness of solidarity in France and around the world. Secours Catholique invites everyone to engage with and support others and experience the joy of fraternity. Its members work to increase everyone's ability to act so that people can live in dignity. The organisation fights the causes of poverty, inequality and exclusion and proposes alternatives that serve the common good.

OUR VALUES

Trust: believing in everyone, having hope for them and valuing their abilities.

Commitment: the desire to serve, to receive and to give, to take action for justice.

Fraternity: quality relationships based on respect, affection, mutual support and the pleasure of being together.

OUR PRINCIPLES FOR ACTION

- ▶ Work with people living in poverty.
- ▶ Pay attention to each person's spiritual needs.
- ▶ Take time to build relationships and adopt a long-term approach.
- ▶ Work in partnerships and networks, locally and globally.



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ACTIONS



▶ In France, 1,027,500 people were supported in 2,400 centres.



▶ Internationally, 415 projects were carried out in 2022, in 52 countries or regions, in association with the Caritas Internationalis network (162 Caritas groups). In the course of a year, almost 3.2 million people benefited from international aid from Secours Catholique – Caritas France.

OUR NETWORK

- ▶ On 31 December 2022, there were 72 delegations, divided into 3,500 local teams in mainland France and French overseas territories. Through this network of volunteers working in local teams, people are given emergency support and assisted in every aspect of life to regain their place in society. In particular, action is taken to support social interaction and integration through community shops, back-to-work courses and more...
- ▶ The network has 59,700 volunteers and 925 employees across the territory..

3 CENTRES:

- ▶ The Cité Saint Pierre is a centre in Lourdes that welcomes pilgrims living in poverty from all cultures, religions and nationalities. It is also a training centre where experiences are shared, and fraternal service is the norm. (Budget: €4M)
- ▶ La Maison d'Abraham in Jerusalem provides shelter for vulnerable pilgrims of all religions, particularly those from the Middle East, but also for members of the Caritas network and the Church diaconia. (Budget: €1M)
- ▶ The CEDRE Asylum Seeker and Refugee reception centre aims to support the network of delegations in the reception of overseas nationals and to welcome and assist vulnerable asylum seekers in Ile de France. (Budget: €1M)

GOVERNANCE AND CONTROL

The General Assembly has 151 members, divided into two categories: 118 active members – qualified administrators, presidents and vice-presidents from delegations, and one treasurer per region – and 33 honorary members. The age limit is 75 years old.

The Board of Directors comprises 21 members, all voluntary; 12 are presidents or vice-presidents from delegations, nine are qualified individuals. They each have a three-year term of office, renewable twice. The board meets 11 times a year. The committee is made up of a president, two vice-presidents, a treasurer and a secretary.

The general chaplain and the secretary general attend committee and board meetings, without voting rights.

SOURCE OF GLOBAL FUNDING 2022

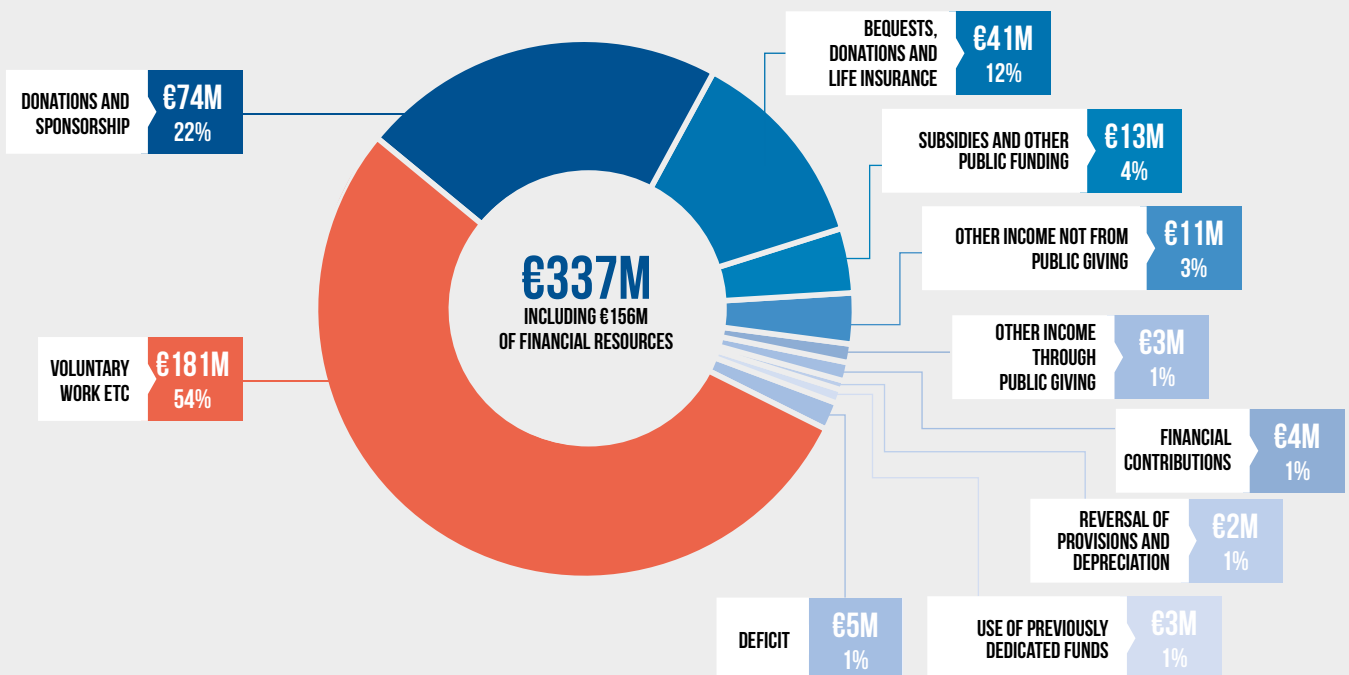
The **socio-economic model** of Secours Catholique – Caritas France is underpinned by the commitment of 59,700 volunteers. The estimated value of €337M is primarily made up of voluntary work (valued at €181M) and financial resources (€156M, taking into account a €5M deficit, including €121M or 78% from public donations).



Value of volunteer involvement: in 2022, 59,700 volunteers dedicated an average of 25 days to Secours Catholique activities. Based on the hourly minimum wage 'SMIC' and, depending on levels of commitment, up to twice the 'SMIC' for volunteers in positions of responsibility, this donated time is valued at €178M. On top of this amount are donation of skills (€2M), support in kind received, holiday vouchers received for families supported and goods made available (€1M), which make up the total voluntary contributions in kind (€181M).

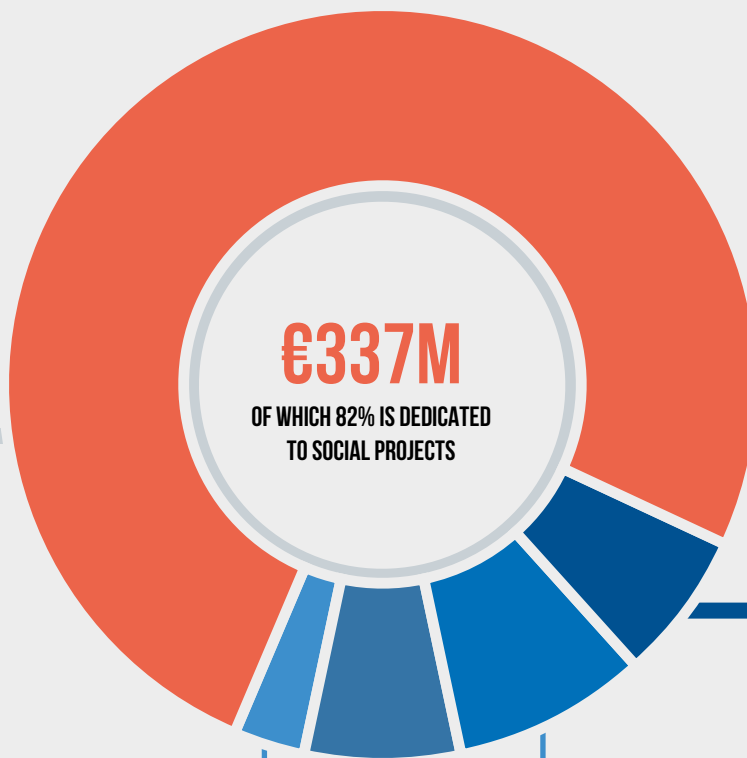


Public giving also enables Secours Catholique – Caritas France to operate. By mobilising donors, especially at the end of the year, we managed to collect €74M in donations to finance our actions. Including bequests, donations and life insurance worth €41M and €3M in other donations, public giving, excluding use of pre-existing funds (€3M), amounted to €118M. Income not linked to public giving amounts to €15M to which can be added government subsidies (€13M), funds rolled over from previous years (€3M) and reversal of provisions (€2M).



USE OF OVERALL RESOURCES 2022

Secours Catholique carries out community actions to fight poverty and exclusion and involves public institutions to raise the profile of its activities and to promote social justice. It carries out its mission in France through 3,500 local teams of volunteers who have supported 1,027,500 people, and internationally through 415 projects supporting 3.2 million people.



€255M

ACTIVITIES CARRIED OUT IN FRANCE

€255M including a value of €170M in respect of volunteer commitment. 1,027,500 people were supported and assisted by 59,700 volunteers in 2,400 centres. After an initial contact during which individuals are allocated emergency support, they are provided with further assistance to integrate them into society through community shops of different kinds, back to work courses etc... This action enables people in need to find their place in the community and receive support throughout the year from our network of volunteers.

€22M

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

€22M. 3.2 million people benefited from international aid through some 415 projects in 52 countries, in association with partner organisations, mainly members of the Caritas Internationalis network.

FUNDING ALLOCATED TO SOCIAL MISSIONS STILL TO BE USED

€10M

€10M This relates to funds allocated to a particular cause, raised in 2022 and not spent by 31 December 2022. They are retained for that specific purpose.

€28M

FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES

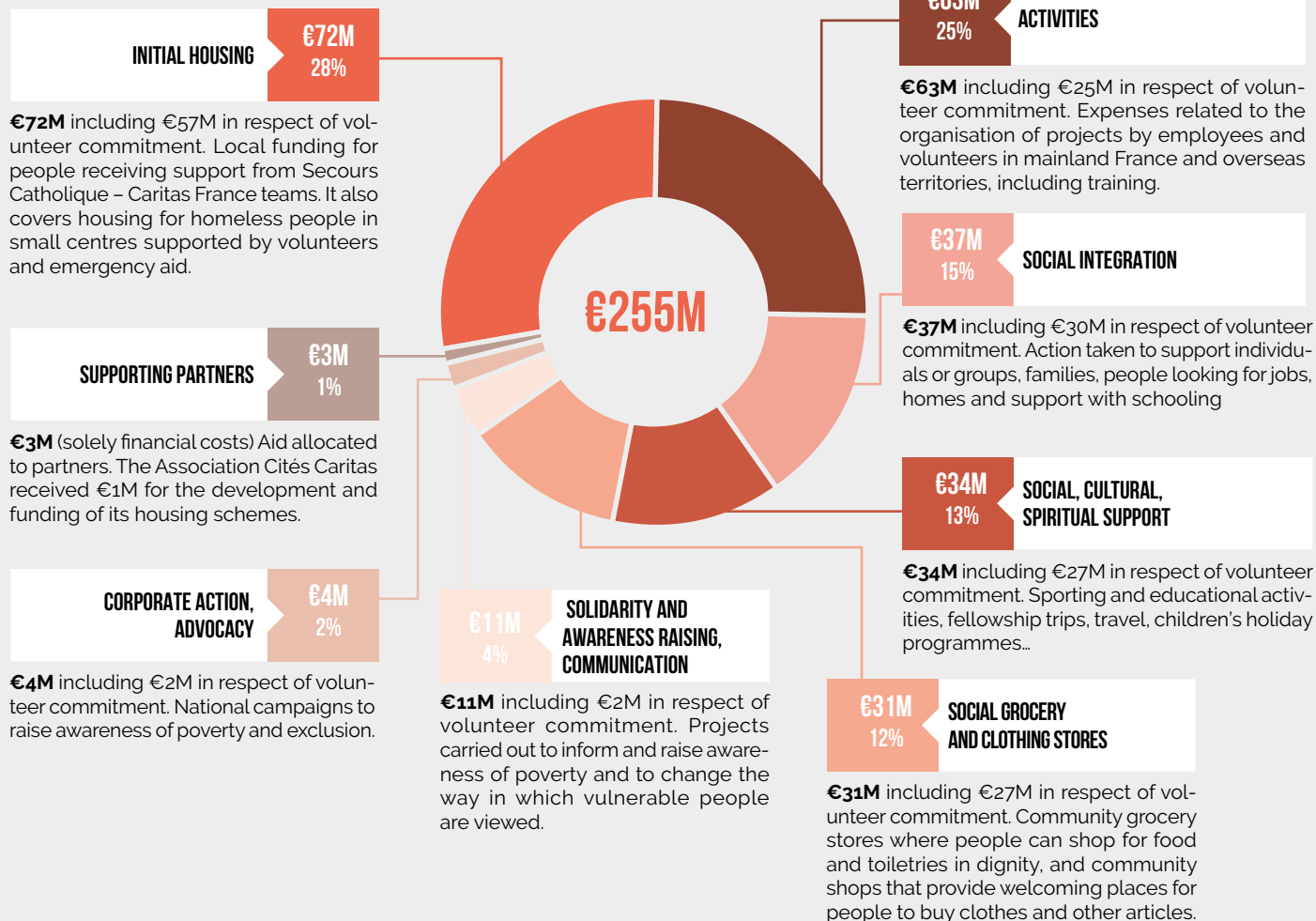
€28M including €6M in respect of volunteer commitment. These actions cover spending on fundraising activities targeting public generosity and businesses, calls for volunteers and the cost of inviting and handling bequests, donations and life insurance.

€22M

OPERATING COSTS

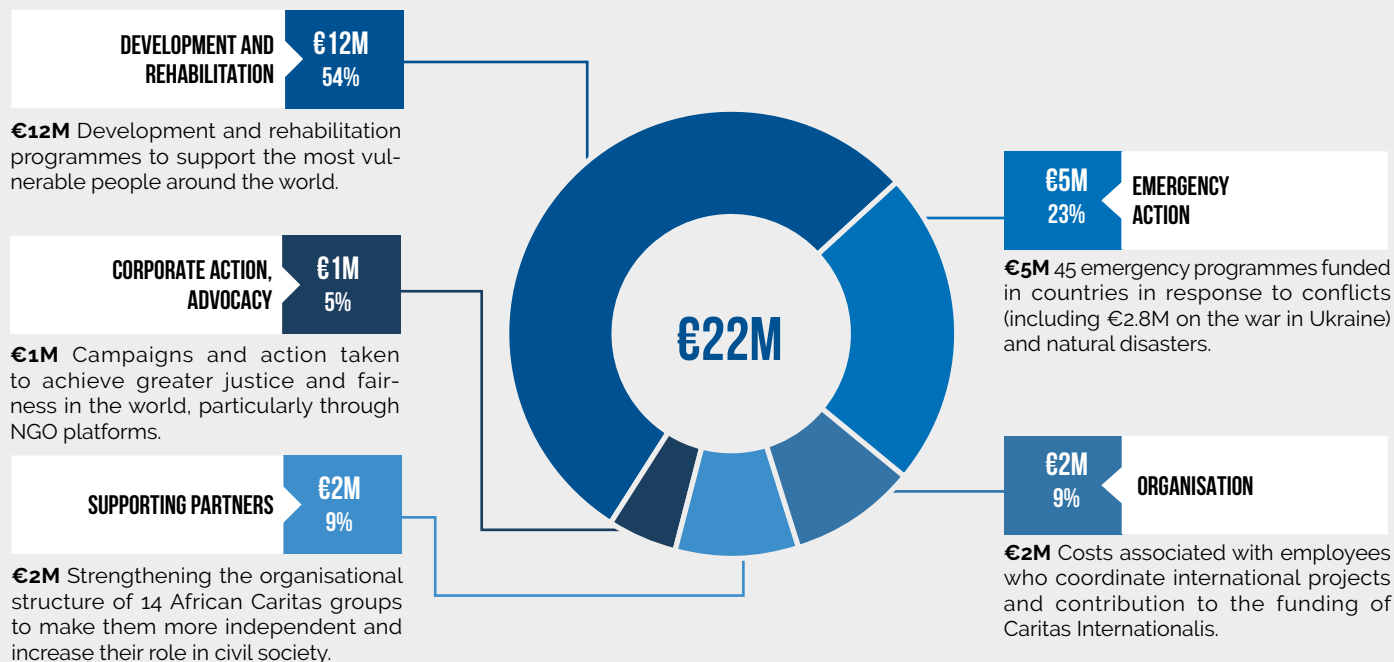
€22M including a value of €5M in respect of volunteer commitment. This covers the operating costs associated with the organisation (budget, accounting, human resources, IT, statutory bodies etc).

1,027,500 PEOPLE SUPPORTED IN FRANCE



3.2 MILLION PEOPLE SUPPORTED OVERSEAS

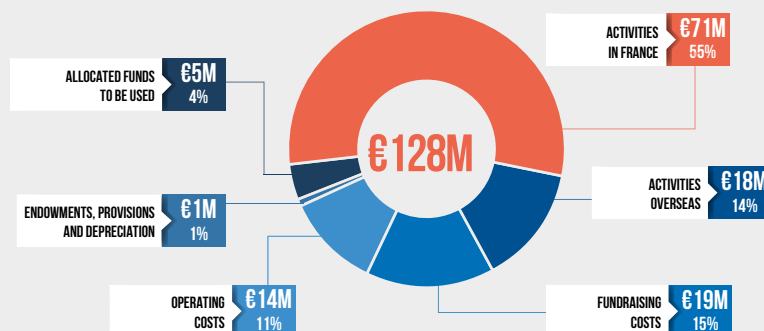
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USE OF FUNDS RAISED FROM PUBLIC GENEROSITY 2022

The annual account of funds collected from the public only records financial activity connected with public giving. Income from public giving was €121M whilst expenditure was €128M. The balance from public giving was a deficit of €7M. Without considering the value of the commitment of volunteers, the cost of activities carried out in France was €71M and for international activities amounted to €18M. Fundraising costs were €19M and operating costs were €14M.

Methodology: using the analytical accounting plan, we can directly allocate the cost of community programmes carried out in France and abroad, to fundraising and operational expenditure. Expenses that cannot be directly allocated are distributed on the basis of a predetermined formula according to the activities of the organisations. Employee costs not directly attributable to these jobs have been divided on the basis of predetermined formulae according to the main direction of the project.



INCOME FROM PUBLIC GIVING CARRIED FORWARD

Income from public giving carried forward was estimated at €28M on 31 December 2022. This allows the organisation to continue its mission and operations, to commit to and develop new projects and to respond to emergency situations. Income from public giving carried forward includes:

- Available equity which has been agreed by the organisation in accordance with statutory provisions. Funds were retained and placed in the 'Working capital reserve' and the 'Reserve fund' ensuring the continuity of operations.
- The net book value of all fixed assets. On the basis of the organisation's financial structure which combines income from public giving or not, operating and investment ratios have been established to highlight the share of public giving included in these items.

SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET AT 31 DECEMBER 2022

Net fixed assets (€105M) were essentially made up of property assets and various items used to support people or operations (€60M), assets bequeathed for disposal (€30M) and financial investments (€15M). Current assets (€122M) mainly comprise investment securities and available funds (€92M). On the liabilities side, equity of €135M is made up of the results of previous financial years and their allocation according to management rules based on statutory provisions. They include statutory funds of €51M and reserves of €83M. The purpose of these posts is to ensure the financial stability of the organisation. They are also supported by subsidies (€6M) that finance investment projects and by net profit for the year (€-5M). Deferred assets which represent the consideration of bequeathed assets net of debt pending disposal are €37M and dedicated funds pending realisation are €13M. Debts (€40M) are made up in part of social security, fiscal debts (€11M), other debts (€10M including €6M to be paid to international partners), legacy debts (€11M) and supplier debts (€6M).

SUMMARY BALANCE SHEET

ASSETS (IN €M)	2022	2021	LIABILITIES	2022	2021
FIXED ASSETS	105	98	ACCUMULATED SURPLUS	135	138
REALISABLE AND AVAILABLE ASSETS	122	130	DEFERRED AND DEDICATED FUNDS AND PROVISIONS	52	49
TOTAL ASSETS	227	228	DEBTS	40	41
			TOTAL LIABILITIES	227	228

RESERVE POLICY

The association's reserves of €83M, are partly used to fund some of the following year's on-going activity (€49M) and partly the implementation of projects allowing the development of its missions and the means to act (€34M).



THE CARITAS FRANCE NETWORK

The Caritas France network was formed by Secours Catholique – Caritas France to bring together organisations it helped to create, or with shared values, outcomes and principles for action

ASSOCIATION CITÉS CARITAS

Established in 1989, the Association Cités Caritas (formerly ACSC) received from SC-CF a contribution to operating costs of €1M to help it carry out its mission to support, house and help people in a vulnerable situation, the socially excluded or with disabilities, to find their place in society. acsc.asso.fr

CARITAS HABITAT

Established in 2015, Caritas Habitat is a property company, officially recognised as Solidarity based Enterprise of Social Utility (Esus), intended to facilitate access to social and solidarity housing and to enable capital to be raised from solidarity funds to support a social project. SC-CF has invested €9M capital in Caritas Habitat. A contribution of €0.8M was granted in 2022. caritashabitat.org

FONCIÈRE CHÊNELET

Established in 2009 near Calais, Foncière Chênelet develops good quality, low cost, social housing, predominantly in rural areas. fonciere-chenelet.org

AGENCE IMMOBILIÈRE À VOCATION SOCIALE (AIVS) CARITAS ILE-DE-FRANCE

At the end of 2018, Secours Catholique and Cités Caritas set up the AIVS Caritas (social housing agency). SC-CF contributed €0.2M to operating costs in 2022

RÉSEAU ECO HABITAT

Established in 2014 at the initiative of the Picardy Secours Catholique group. A Social Impact Contract (CIS) repayable over five years was set up in 2020 with SC-CF, the National Housing Agency (ANAH) and the Eco Habitat network to enable very low-income households to carry out energy efficiency

improvements to their homes with up to 90% subsidy. In 2022, SC-CF granted a loan of €0.6M. reseau-ecohabitat.fr

COMITÉ CHRÉTIEN DE SOLIDARITÉ AVEC LES CHÔMEURS ET LES PRÉCAIRES

Established over thirty years ago, the Comité chrétien de solidarité avec les chômeurs et les précaires (CCSC) aims to maintain focus on the consequences of unemployment. ccscfrance.com

FÉDÉRATION SOLIDARAUTO

Solidarauto is the brand of solidarity garages set up by groups from Secours Catholique – Caritas France. A contribution to operating costs of €0.08M was granted in 2022 to facilitate professional and social integration through the sale of second-hand cars, maintenance repairs and vehicle hire. solidarauto.org

LA FONDATION CARITAS FRANCE

Set up by Secours Catholique – Caritas France in 2009, Fondation Caritas France encourages philanthropy by supporting foundations which are dedicated to fighting poverty, raising funds to give priority to supporting projects run by Secours Catholique – Caritas France and its network (€2.6M in 2022), and backs research and experimentation. Services provided by Secours Catholique – Caritas France were invoiced at €0.9M. fondationcaritasfrance.org

LA FONDATION JEAN RODHAIN

The Jean Rodhain foundation was established in 1981. In 2022 a contribution to operating costs of €0.08M was granted to contribute to Christian thinking on charity in its wider sense, to promote the study of the theology of

charity in university research, to develop dialogue with field workers through the words of people living in poverty.

fondationjeanrodhain.org

FÉDÉRATION DE CHARITÉ CARITAS ALSACE

Founded in 1903 by Monseigneur Paul Müller-Simonis, the Fédération de Charité Caritas Alsace has been operating for over a hundred years in the Diocese of Strasbourg.

federation-de-charite.org

UNION DIACONALE DU VAR

Created in 1983, the Union Diaconale du Var is a social and solidarity based economic union made up of 18 associations with a variety of aims (integration, family, accommodation, health, street emergencies) that fight against social exclusion, work together to promote human development and respect for all and take part in the Church's diaconal work in the Var by pooling their skills and know-how thanks to a general secretariat that supports its activities.

udv-asso.fr



Le Secours Catholique – Caritas France belongs to

the Caritas Internationalis network, a confederation of 162 Catholic organisations that operate around the world. Caritas shares the same mission as the Church. Caritas responds to disasters, promotes integral human development and campaigns against poverty and conflict. National Caritas organisations are independent under the authority of their episcopal conference, but they are united within the same confederation, a body of the universal Church. Caritas Europa unites 49 Caritas organisations, operating in 46 European countries. Together, they focus their activities on poverty, exclusion and social inequality, as well as migration and asylum. Based in Brussels, Caritas Europa ensures the voice of its members is heard within European institutions, by EU member states and many other public and private partners.

ASSOCIATION D'EPARGNANTS KAORI (OUTSIDE CARITAS NETWORK)

Launched in 2022 by Secours Catholique – Caritas France, the Kaori association is an association of ethical and socially responsible savers that provides dedicated savings to individuals and corporate bodies. A financial operating subsidy of €0.5m was made in 2022. kaori-association.org

SECOURS CATHOLIQUE – CARITAS FRANCE IN FIGURES



€337M

IN FUNDS OF WHICH 82% DEDICATED TO SOCIAL PROJECTS

2022 IN FRANCE



1,027,500

PEOPLE SUPPORTED IN FRANCE



59,700

VOLUNTEERS



5,000

CHILDREN AND TEENAGERS SUPPORTED WITH SCHOOLING



2,400

RECEPTION CENTRES



215,000

FAMILIES SUPPORTED



3,000

PEOPLE HELPED GETTING INTO WORK



1,300

CHILDREN WENT ON HOLIDAY IN A FAMILY HOME



852

CURRENT MICRO-LOANS INCLUDING 207 NEW LOANS

2022 WORLDWIDE



3.2 MILLION

PEOPLE SUPPORTED INTERNATIONALLY



415

PROJECTS IN 52



45

EMERGENCY PROGRAMMES

TRANSPARENCY AND CHECKS 2022

Information provided in the 2022 Overview is taken from the 2022 Annual Report and Financial Statement. The annual accounts, including the accounts on income by origin and use, and on the allocation of funds, have been certified by our auditors, Ernst and Young, and approved at the annual general meeting on 13 June 2023.

- The accounts are available on the website secours-catholique.org
- Or by written request to Secours-Catholique - 106 rue du Bac - 75341 Paris Cedex 07

The Auditor, in addition to certifying the accounts, carries out checks on 10 commissions every year. Along with the internal audit department, a total of approximately one third of commissions are checked every year.

The Don en Confiance (Charter Committee) is a non-profit organisation which carries out checks on fundraising activity which targets public generosity. It draws up ethical rules, issues the 'Don en confiance' label to non-profit organisations and carries out continuous and independent checks on their commitments. These are based on the principles of respect for donors, transparency, and the quest for efficiency, integrity and impartiality in three areas: governance, management and communication. On 11 March 2021, the accreditation committee extended the 'Don en confiance' label to Secours Catholique – Caritas France for a further three years.

