

ACORUS

is a non-profit association established in 1997 and registered with the ministry of Interior..

Chair : Mgr Zdena Bednarova

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PURPOSE

To provide psychological and practical help to victims of domestic violence and return them to normal life without violence. The increase of domestic violence makes ACORUS more and more necessary.

CRISIS MANAGEMENT

This service is for women with or without children who are threatened with violence. They may be in a psychological or physical state which prohibits them from returning home. This service applies to women with children under the age of 18.

THE REFUGE

Telephone (24/7) 283 892 772

Fax 283 890 671

e-mail : info@acorus.cz or acorus@iol.cz

The refuge provides temporary accommodation to women with children threatened with violence.

EXPERT COUNSELLING

Is provided FREE from a mobile centre or a local centre to help people suffering from domestic violence, or to persons wanting to help the victims. The service will try to support the victims to help themselves, to stabilise the situation and return them to normal life.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

ACORUS provides expert education to social workers and students via lectures and seminars.

ACORUS is dependent financially on local councils' social work departments, foundations, private companies and individuals. In 2009 the total cost was Kc 5,526,670,59.

ACORUS wants to expand its services throughout the Czech Republic and beyond.