

Caritas Mongolia

2012 Annual Report



Caritas
Mongolia

From the President



Dear friends, partners and benefactors:

It is my joy to introduce this 2012 annual report of Caritas Mongolia!

As it can be seen after going through the report, CM, though still an infant organization, is making its way into the Mongolian society.

All my gratitude to the CM staff and employees; thanks to them the preferential mission for the poor continues being a reality in our society.

My appreciation goes also to all of you who continue supporting the works of CM. It is thanks to you that we are able to accomplish a lot of things, as shown in this report.

It is my hope that 2013 will be better than 2012, in the way Caritas Mongolia delivers its services and in the way we journey together with friends, partners and benefactors

+ Wenceslao Padilla, President

From the Executive Director

Dear companions of the journey,

In the following pages, Caritas Mongolia wishes to share with you its history, which as a matter of fact is made up of numerous stories; each CM delivered service is a story by itself.

Throughout 2012, we remain faithful to our mission: being at the service of vulnerable ones. They are the one giving sense to our work, joy of being at the service to all CM colleagues and determination to our commitment.

All of you remained faithful to the journey in 2012 thanks to your encouragement, prayers, and financial solidarity. May you find in these few lines our gratitude!



Fr. Pierrot Kasemuana
Executive Director

SHORT INTRODUCTION

2012 continued to be in line with the objectives and goals fixed in our Strategic Plan. Thus, after 2010 and 2011, it continued in the logic of learning and strengthening the organization and its programs; and this mainly through capacity buildings and workshops of the staff.

Thanks to these workshops, slowly but surely the difference is being felt in the way staff members operate: administratively, finances and programs management wise. All CM colleagues are getting more and more professional, committed and dedicated; a great reason to be very optimistic for the future of Caritas Mongolia.

CM remained faithful to its commitments throughout 2012. Lessons learnt in 2011 were helpful as they allowed maximization of positive experiences and readjustment of less fulfilling situations and conditions.

In 2013, Caritas Mongolia will remain faithful to its actual commitments, trying to consolidate gained experiences. This being said, 2013 will be a special year: institutionally, it will mark the phasing out of the ongoing Strategic Plan. And programs wise, 2013 will be the phasing out time for IFAM. On the other hand, CM will continue looking into different possibilities and opportunities to be able to continue its services sustainably and in partnership with its traditional and new supporting co-partners.

CAPACITY BUILDING: Mongolia

A good number of training and workshops took place, both in Mongolia and abroad

A. Training in Mongolia

Community Organization:

July 28-29, a workshop on **Community Organization** took place in Ulaanbaatar; workshop facilitated by Mr. Aloysius JOHN, from Secours Catholique. The workshop aimed to help all staff and employees to professionalize their approach as



we deal more and more with the necessity of organizing beneficiaries into communities/cooperatives. In the years to come, strong accent will be put in Communities and Cooperatives as a sound development practice and approach. Both, the presence and participation of all were successful.



Institutional Strengthening:

December 16-19, once again, Mr. Aloysius was among us; this time to continue strengthening the institutional capacity of CM, a workshop basically conducted for the CM Management Committee members; topics such as: managerial and operational capacity; corporate commitment, delegation of authority...were covered. Together with Mr. Aloysius, another visitor from Secours Catholique was present: Mr. Alexandre DAVAL. It was an opportunity for him to get to know a bit about CM, as it was his very first visit.

During this training, another important event that took place was the training of Trainers:

Ms J. Nasanjargal, S. Gandolgor and Mr. S. Tegshbayar were trained by Mr. Aloysius for them to train the remaining of the CM staff. Right after being trained, the three conducted their first session on December 18, under a careful and helpful supervision of Mr. Aloysius. Promising indeed! In the years to come, this will be an important aspect to be developed as it will allow CM to have its own resource persons. ■



CAPACITY BUILDING: Abroad

B. Trainings and meetings abroad

Once again, CM did not miss any opportunity to send some of its staff for trainings and/or to join important meetings, basically related to its programs

CRS Asia Regional Partners Meeting

Fr. Pierrot KASEMUANA was among those present in Bangkok. The coming-together brought a lot of instructive sharing and learning from different but complimentary experiences. On one

hand, being introduced to CRS activities helps to improve our own services and on the other hand the quality of resource persons is a great opportunity indeed. From Mar 13-18, 2012.

Asian Forum and Regional Assembly



Fr. Pierrot KASEMUANA represented Caritas Mongolia for the Asian regional meeting held in Taipei from June 26-29. A great and unforgettable experience!



CAPACITY BUILDING: Abroad



United Nations Climate Change Conference:

Caritas Mongolia was invited to an informal UNFCCC session of 30 August to 05 September in Bangkok. Then this informal meeting was followed up by CM being member of the Caritas delegation to the 18th Conference of the Parties to UNFCCC, held in Doha (Qatar) from November 25 to December 01. To both meetings, Caritas Mongolia was represented by its Researcher, Mr. Tegshbayar.

Climate Resilient, Eco-Friendly Agriculture Mainstreaming (CREAM):

Oct 10-13, the Coordinator of the Food Security Program, Ms. S. Gandolgor, accompanied by 2 field workers, Mrs. O. Jigmedbavuu and Mrs. U. Urtnasan, attended the agricultural Pan-Asian workshop in Bangkok. A lot of experiences learnt to be able to benefit CM agricultural programs from this Farmers Exchange Program.



CAPACITY BUILDING: Abroad

Anti-Trafficking Program:

November 20-23, Mrs. Lucy BYAMBA-JAV and Ms. Bayanjargal attended the other Pan-Asian Training on Regional Meeting and Planning Workshop on Anti-Trafficking of Women and Children in the Philippines.

33 representatives from 13 different Asian countries were present at this

workshop. Every year Caritas Asia organizes such workshops to enrich the partners' knowledge through experience sharing and development of new ideas. Caritas Mongolia gains tremendous experience from such workshops and tries to implement the new learned ideas in its activities.



New Social Reintegration Program:

Through its program “Social Reintegration” CM has a new partner: Caritas Austria. The project being funded by the European Union, the CM finance persons (Ms. J. NASANJARGAL and Ms. B. ENKHJARGAL) joined the “Kick off workshop” in Vienna

December 3–5.

The projects overall objective is to contribute to a sustainable return and quality reintegration support for vulnerable and disadvantaged people from EU

member States to Mongolia. Thanks to this workshop, we got familiar with different components of the project such as SAPI-Accounting tool, ERSO-platform, Definition of vulnerability criteria, Sharing on good practices of previous similar projects etc... ■



ACTIVITIES

Throughout 2012, CM remained faithful to its services. As years pass and thanks to all colleagues, the following can be shared:

A. Anti-Trafficking



Few awareness raising campaigns were organized in schools, in the CM Skill Training Center. Next to this, a small brochure was published on the Rights of the children. This activity suffered a setback as the colleague, Ms. Bayanjargal, in charge of the work left Caritas for other opportunities.

B. Agriculture: IFAM¹

The specific objective of the project is to develop, implement and mainstream sustainable, affordable, and locally owned approaches to increase vegetable production and improve food security amongst the most vulnerable in peri-urban areas of Ulaanbaatar and in rural areas of Gobi Altai Province.

Beneficiaries' selection for the 2012 season was more strongly focused on the need to include a greater number of female beneficiaries and more vulnerable households. All selected beneficiaries were low income households. 2012 was a very ambitious yet successful year, having enrolled 103 households in the passive solar greenhouse program in Ulaanbaatar and 51 in Gobi Altai Province. The project has further expanded into new geographic areas in



Ulaanbaatar. The project has a total of 324 direct beneficiary households as of December 2012, including passive solar greenhouse beneficiaries, trench greenhouse and bio-climatic cellar beneficiaries.

Next to this, a good number of training were organized for beneficiaries on horticulture and Marketing.



¹Innovative Farming Approach in Mongolia (IFAM). A co-funded project by the European Commission and Secours Catholique.

C.Skill Training Center: STC

Over the years this program has become a real service to the society. More and more people come either on their own or recommended by I/NGOs, friends, local authorities... Thanks to some partners, the capacity of STC has been improved: new professional equipment that is already making a difference. Next to this, having a permanent Supervisor, Sr. Lucilla



Munchi is a strategic approach as the service is being followed up systematically. On the other hand, the visibility of STC is expanding as the center is participating in different exhibitions in Ulaanbaatar.

D.Social Reintegration Program

Caritas Mongolia continued rendering services to Mongolians coming back after an unsuccessful stay in Europe. Not only that the number of returnees



is going higher each year, European partners willing to have CM as a local partner are adding. Started few years ago with Cordaid and Caritas Belgium, today the circle of partners has expanded to UK, and Austria. Thus the need for CM to have the program and the office well organised to be more effective and efficient.

Thanks to its service improving each passing year, CM was happy to welcome a young Belgian Intern, Ms. Linde STAEL, who chose to work in Caritas Mongolia and find out how the program is managed. At the end of her stay, she shared her impressions, to be taken into account by CM for a further betterment of the services.

E.Emergency

Although Emergency has always been a priority for CM, we need to admit that a lot is still to be done to well organize this department: personnel to be assigned and coming up with some guidelines on how to go about. With this mind, in 2012 a young French Student, Brice DREUX-BESNARD, spent his 6 months of internship in

Caritas Mongolia. Thanks to him a draft document, picturing in details different emergency situations in Mongolia. The document is systematically presented according to emergency situations by geographical areas and period of year when they occur. Once this is finalized, this will become a great tool for CM. ■

F. CM Visitors

Each year, CM is always happy to welcome some of its friends, partners. Thanks their visits, CM feels being supported and encouraged as partners come to see and touch the reality; which helps in having a realistic knowledge of CM. 2012 did not escape to the rule. To all and each one of you, our gratitude and appreciations.

1. February 3-15: Joeri LEYSEN (Caritas Belgium)
2. February 24-March 04: Mrs. Fabienne BATHILY and Delphine COURNET (Secours Catholique)
3. March 26-August 11: Brice DREUX-BESNARD (Intern from France)
4. May 14-16: Mr. Vincenzo COLLARINO (European Commission-Beijing)
5. May 15-25: Mr. Herve DUPOUY (IFAM Mid-term evaluator)
6. May 23-26: Fr. Daisuke NARUI and Ms. Yoko YOKOYAMA (Caritas Japan)
7. August 28-October 10: Linde STAEL (Belgian Intern)
8. October 23-31: Mrs. Kathleen MERKEL (Catholic Relief Services)
9. December 16-19: Mrs. Aloysius JOHN and Alexandre DAVAL (Secours Catholique)

G. CONCLUSION: 2013 PERSPECTIVES

1. 2013 marks the end of the ongoing of the Strategic Plan, which has been the CM prime mover for the past few years. Time has now come to think of the future. But before foreseeing the future, there will be a need to sit down and evaluate what has been realized or not. For this, CM will be accompanied by an external facilitator.
2. 2013 will also be the time of phasing out the ongoing agricultural project. Started in 2010 and co-funded by the European Commission and Secours Catholique, the project will reach its end by November. Thus a need to come up with a good phasing out strategy that assures continuity and sustainability of gained experiences.
3. Considering the above mentioned two points, CM will be mainly involved in reflecting, evaluating, planning... about its future based on what it went through mainly for the past three years. To do so, CM will count on its faithful partners. Thus, the upcoming 'Partners' Week', scheduled in June in Ulaanbaatar. This will be an important event for CM as it will help reflecting together on how to be maximized and capitalize all that has positively brought CM to what it is today.
4. Next to these strategic events to happen in 2013, CM continues to study different possibilities on how to reorganize itself From November on, with the IFAM project having phased out. A careful consideration is on the agenda especially on how to keep key-staffs that have brought an added value to CM.
5. The Skill Training Center is always under the scrutiny: how to maximize its potentialities and bring it one day to a self-supporting service level. Some efforts have been made in 2012, but more efforts will be needed in 2013, starting by assuring greater visibility of STC.
6. In 2013, CM will continue trying to diversify and enlarge the circle of its partners to assure especially sustainability. In line with these, CM will respond to the call for proposal from the EC – Beijing, in partnership with Caritas Belgium. It is also certain that some other European partners are considering join the 'Social Reintegration' program and to have CM as their local welcoming partner.

As it can be seen 2013 is a very important and strategic year for CM.

We cannot end this report without thanking all of you for what you have been doing for Caritas Mongolia. In different ways, we are all part of what is taking place in Mongolia. Let this spirit continue for the years to come and all this for the good of the people for whom we are at the service. ■

CARITAS MONGOLIA: FINANCES

1 Euro-1750.58 1 USD-1360.48

INCOME	2012 MNT	Foreign currencies		
Administration	132,412,023.66	€	75,638.94	\$ 97,327.43
Skill Training Center	64,879,096.73	€	37,061.49	\$ 47,688.39
Social Reintegration	110,311,048.12	€	63,014.00	\$ 81,082.45
Food Security and IFAM	325,494,512.92	€	185,914.00	\$ 239,249.76
Total	633,096,681.43	€	361,628.43	\$ 465,348.03

EXPENSES	MNT	Foreign currencies		
Administration	143,206,730.85	€	81,795.96	\$ 105,261.92
Skill Training Center	59,115,261.78	€	33,765.10	\$ 43,451.77
Social Reintegration	117,354,223.15	€	67,029.68	\$ 86,259.43
Food Security and IFAM	554,709,274.20	€	316,835.51	\$ 407,730.56
Total	874,385,489.98	€	499,426.25	\$ 642,703.67

BALANCE	MNT	Foreign currencies		
Income	633,096,681.43	€	570,578.29	\$ 734,268.10
2011 Balance	365,860,382.26	€	208,993.81	\$ 268,920.07
Expenses	874,385,489.98	€	499,426.25	\$ 642,703.67
Total	124,571,573.72	€	280,145.85	\$ 360,484.50



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