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Social Report 2025



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SANTA RITA  
DA CASCIA<sup>ets</sup>  
Un ente filantropico,  
un fiore di carità



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## Letter from the Chairperson

Hope is a light.

A small, tenacious flame that never fades, does not waver, withstands all doubts and difficulties, and outlasts time. Bringing the message of hope - this light that comes from afar, strengthened by love and by the example of Saint Rita - is our Foundation's commitment and *raison d'être*.

With this mission in our hearts, we listen. From near and far, we receive requests for help from a world that is suffering. Because of hunger, poverty, inequality and neglect. We respond with prayer and action. We respond with an organisation that is increasingly solid and cohesive, which brings together donors, volunteers, religious and lay people. Holy love for our neighbours, the desire to give and give ourselves - especially to meet the needs of the most fragile - is what unites us.

This is how hope becomes reality.

In 2025 we lit 27 small flames: 27 charity projects promoted by the Saint Rita Foundation that supported almost 10,000 people, our siblings, in Italy and throughout the world.

Love does not stop, hope spreads.

Thanks to all those who make it possible.

*Mother Maria Grazia Cossu*  
Chairperson of the Saint Rita of Cascia Foundation  
ETS (Third Sector Organisation)



## Methodological note

The Social Report of the Saint Rita of Cascia Foundation Philanthropic Organisation ETS has been drafted to guarantee total transparency regarding the Foundation's operations and to ensure thorough information for its collaborators, suppliers, partners, beneficiaries and donors. From the financial perspective, the Social Report provides all the stakeholders with a detailed knowledge of the value generated in the area.

It was drafted in accordance with the Social Report guidelines pursuant to art. 14 of Legislative Decree 117/2017.

This Social Report refers to the 2025 financial year, which ended in April 2026.



CHAPTER I  
Identity

## THE FOUNDATION

# From NGO to Philanthropic Organisation: the Steps

The Saint Rita of Cascia Foundation Philanthropic Organisation ETS was established in Rome on 5 **March 2012**.

In 2012 we requested and obtained registration in the **Register of Non-Profit Organisations of Social Utility** and permanent enrolment in the list of recipients of the 5xmille tax donation.

In 2020, we passed a resolution to amend the Statute, aligning it with the legal provisions.

In 2022, our Foundation was successfully entered into the Single National Register of the Third Sector (RUNTS), and obtained legal status as an **ETS - Third Sector Organisation**.

In February 2025, the Foundation became a Philanthropic Organisation: this marked a new step forward in continuing to promote solidarity projects in an increasingly structured way.

- Registration in the Register of Non-Profit Organisations of Social Utility effective 5/5/2012 (Provision of the Italian Tax Authority - Directorate General Reg. no. 0010550, of 12.07.2012)
- Amendment to Statute on 16/12/2020, in compliance with Legislative Decree 117/2017
- Registration in the RUNTS on 13/12/2022, with Executive Resolution no. 13058 by the Region of Umbria (ref. no.: 54224)
- Amendment to Statute on 16/12/2025, to become constituted as Philanthropic Organisation pursuant to Legislative Decree 117/2017
- Managerial Resolution no. 1585 of 17.02.2025, with which RUNTS registered the Foundation's change from the General Section "Other Organisations" to the section "Philanthropic Organisations".



## MISSION

# To achieve hope

Saint Rita inspires our mission.

As a funding body, the Foundation was established to support projects addressing the needs of the most vulnerable and to promote the reduction of social inequalities through the strength of its organisation.

- **We contribute** to sustaining the charitable works of the Monastery of Saint Rita of Cascia through fundraising and communication.
- **We support and assist** other groups carrying out non-profit social projects.
- **We promote** the sharing of values, ideas and practices because we are convinced that this contributes to the growth of non-profit organisations.
- **We believe** in human and social development based on dialogue.
- **We spread** and highlight the Christian message, especially the Augustinian one, conveying values and ideas through tangible action in Italy and around the world.

## GROWTH

# Love that does not stop

In 2023 we financed 9 national and international projects. In 2024 our commitment doubled, reaching a total of 19 projects. **In 2025 we reached 27 projects** supported by the Saint Rita Foundation, confirming our capacity for consistent and significant growth.

On the financial front, the support disbursed in 2025 amounted to **€ 1,457,376**. It was our **best performance** compared to previous years in terms of the number of people in need reached and the expansion of our support to a variety of projects in Italy and worldwide.

In Africa, Asia and Latin America, we allocate **significant resources** primarily to nutrition/food security, training, health and education. In Europe, mainly in Italy, we support specialised, resource-intensive projects addressing **complex needs** (disabilities and childhood).



## STATUTORY ACTIVITIES

# Solidarity as our foundation

As a philanthropic organisation, the Foundation's institutional purpose is **to promote social solidarity supporting disadvantaged people**, with a particular focus on individuals and populations facing illness, weakness, marginalisation, suffering, social loneliness, poverty or the risk of social exclusion.

### ACTIVITIES OF GENERAL INTEREST

- social services and initiatives
- healthcare services and interventions
- protection and enhancement of cultural and landscape heritage
- organisation and management of cultural, artistic or recreational activities of social interest, including publishing initiatives, to promote and disseminate the culture and practice of volunteering and activities of general interest
- humanitarian hosting and social integration of migrants
- charity, long-distance support, free provision of foods or products, disbursement of money, goods or services to support disadvantaged people or the activities of general interest
- promotion of a culture of legality, peace between peoples, non-violence and unarmed defence
- promotion and protection of human, civil, social and political rights, as well as consumer and user rights, promotion of equal opportunities and mutual aid initiatives
- regeneration of unused public assets or assets confiscated from organised crime groups.

## STATUTORY ACTIVITIES

In carrying out the activities of general interest, the Foundation may, for example:

- **undertake** private or public fund-raising activities and/or receive donations, including monetary contributions, to be used for institutional purposes;
- **raise** public awareness through the organisation of events, meetings, campaigns, information initiatives and similar activities;
- **promote** all types of events, such as conferences, debates, round tables, conventions and congresses, also co-financing similar initiatives organised by public or private entities connected to its institutional purposes, both nationally and internationally;
- **establish** scholarships and other forms of assistance for deserving individuals wishing to pursue studies in this field, upon request. The criteria for awarding these scholarships shall be determined and announced by the Board of Directors on a case-by-case basis;
- **participate** in research calls and any tenders promoted by public or private bodies within the Foundation's field of interest;
- directly or indirectly **establish and manage** scientific institutes, universities, and research and/or study centres;
- **coordinate**, promote and support the activities of entities with similar or related aims, providing them with all types of technical, cultural and, where deemed appropriate, financial assistance;

- **collaborate** with health authorities, other competent national and international authorities and/or bodies, universities, and any other public or private institutions to review and develop proposals on matters falling within the Foundation's institutional purposes, as well as to develop, implement and activate projects concerning scientific research, social and socio-medical assistance, cultural and social matters at the national and European levels, or those promoted by other Public or Private Institutions at the International level;
- **enter into** contracts, agreements, covenants or understandings with public or private entities deemed necessary or beneficial for achieving the Foundation's purposes.





## CHAPTER II Institutional structure

## RESPONSIBILITIES AND TRANSPARENCY

### The Board of Directors

The Board of Directors holds ordinary and extraordinary administrative powers for the Saint Rita of Cascia Foundation. It is composed of five directors: the **Abess pro tempore** of the Monastery of Saint Rita of the Augustinian Nuns of Cascia, who is a member and legal Chairperson of the Foundation, **two nuns who have professed solemn vows** from the Monastery of Saint Rita of the Augustinian Nuns of Cascia, appointed by the Monastery's Board; **two members** appointed by the Prior General pro tempore of the **Order of Saint Augustine**, who appoints one of them as Vice-Chairperson of the Foundation.

With the exception of the Chairperson, appointed for the entire duration of her canonical term of office pursuant to section 7.1.a of the Statute, the other members of the Board shall remain in office for four financial years and their terms shall expire at the same time as the meeting of the Board of Directors convened to approve the financial statements for the fourth financial year of their term.

*In accordance with the Statute, in 2025 the Foundation was governed by a Board of Directors composed of five members, namely: Sister Maria Rosa Bernardinis in the role of Chairperson, until 19.03.2025, Emilio Stracchi in the role of Vice-Chairperson until 26.05.2025, Sister Natalina Rosa Todeschini in the role of director until 26.05.2025, Sister Giacomina Stuani in the role of director until 26.05.2025 and Father Luciano De Michieli in the role of director until 26.05.2025.*

*On 3 February 2025, Sister Maria Grazia Cossu was elected Abbess of the Monastery of Saint Rita of the Augustinian Nuns of Cascia. With subsequent Decree no. 254/254 bis of 5.03.2025, the Prefecture of Perugia acknowledged that the change had taken effect and that, therefore, in compliance with the Statute, the new abbess of the Monastery of Saint Rita of the Augustinian Nuns of Cascia, Sister Maria Grazia Cossu, took office as Chairperson of the Foundation, effective 20.03.2025.*

*Effective 26.05.2025, the term of office having ended, new directors were appointed: Emilio Stracchi in the role of Vice-Chairperson, Sister Maria Rosa Bernardinis in the role of director, Sister Giacomina Stuani in the role of director and Father Giustino Casciano in the role of director.*

### BoD



**Mother Maria Grazia Cossu**  
in office since 20/03/2025  
**Chairperson**



**Emilio Stracchi**  
in office since 16/12/2020  
**Vice-Chairperson**



**Father Giustino Casciano**  
in office since 26/05/2025  
**Director**



**Mother Giacomina Stuani**  
in office since 05/03/2012  
**Director**



**Mother Maria Rosa Bernardinis**  
in office since 26/05/2025  
**Director**

### The Control Body

During the course of 2025, the *Foundation* was monitored by a Body composed of three members, appointed by the Prior General of the Augustinians. Effective 16.12.2020 until 26.05.2025, it was composed of Dr Stefano Capponi, in the role of *Chairperson*, Dr Vittorio Bonanni in the role of *member* and Dr Marco Napoli Mulieri, in the role of *member*.

Effective 30.06.2025, the control activities were entrusted to Dr Jacopo Gatta, as were the auditing activities, the legal limits having been exceeded, in compliance with and pursuant to art. 31 of Legislative Decree 117/2017.



**Jacopo Gatta**

## ORGANISATION

### The team

Enhancing human resources is a choice that offers great opportunities.

The creation of a **context based on trust and exchange** make every relationship stronger and more fluid, imparting the strength of the work group. For all of its initiatives, the Saint Rita Foundation can count on motivated people who work with dedication to **listen, plan and carry out** concrete actions, offering real help to those who need it.

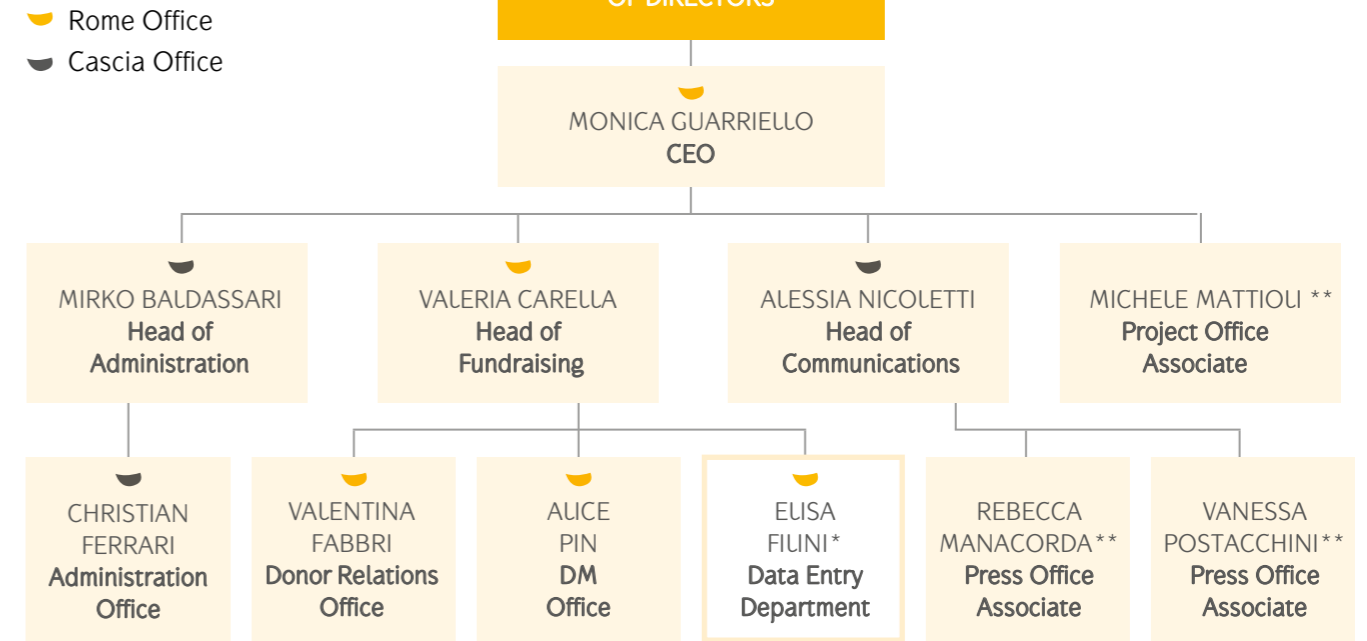
Their daily commitment is the **silent force** that brings each of the Foundation's steps to life.

Consolidating the relationship with our supporters was a priority objective in 2025. **New human resources** are now working to better manage relations with volunteers and donors. Another important new addition has been the creation of the **Donor Relations Office**, a direct line between the donors and the Saint Rita Foundation, with operating offices in **Rome and Cascia**.

An efficient coordination team manages the Foundation's various activities: strategic and operational actions for **communication** and **fundraising**, organisation of **events**, detailed **profiling** of individual donors, **administrative** management of the donations, financial and informational **support** for the various beneficiaries, **relations** with the volunteers, partners and suppliers - each part helps to make the **gesture of love** that the Foundation is committed to bringing to Italy and the world more efficient.

- 8 employees (including an employee hired in 2025), of which 6 are women
- 7 permanent contracts (of which 2 are part-time)
- 1 part-time fixed-term contract (beginning 1 October 2025, with a duration of 12 months)

### Organisational Chart



(\*) Working remotely  
(\*\*) Consultant

### Compensation, salaries and allowances

Total gross annual amount	€ 0	Members of the Board of Directors (voluntary)
	€ 22,228	Control Body
	€ 351,823	Employees

4.13 - Ratio between the maximum and minimum gross annual salaries of employees  
Third Sector National Collective Labour Agreement - Confcommercio for 8 employees

## SHARED INTERESTS

# The Network of Stakeholders

Building a solid network of relationships with our stakeholders allows the Foundation to develop its **operations**.

Our relationships are founded on different levels of intensity and involvement, but they share a common basis. They are **dependable, substantiated and on-going**. They are strong because they are rooted in the local area, they are stable because they are historic. We aspire to a clear, linear approach that aims to create ties and reciprocal trust.

The Saint Rita Foundation collaborates with a network of: **18 ecclesiastical bodies, 14 non-profit organisations, 58 for profit organisations, 20 professionals and 1 public administration.**





CHAPTER III  
The Foundation's  
objectives  
and activities

# The strength of an ever-deeper bond

Donors, volunteers, suppliers, beneficiaries. United in the same mission.

### ☛ We give those who support us maximum value.

We are not alone. Behind the work of the Saint Rita Foundation is the **irreplaceable energy** of our donors and occasional volunteers.

We have a deep appreciation for the value of our **donors'** choices, and their precious support. To us, every donor is an **integral member** of the Ritian family by virtue of their generous gesture. This fuels the donors' **sense of belonging** and also creates a meaningful and long-lasting bond between them.

The **occasional volunteers** support us by donating their time and enthusiasm. They are the engine driving our events, a **large, participatory network** rooted across all of Italy, which helps to fuel and spread the Foundation's cardinal values, promoting a veritable **culture of solidarity**.

We stay close to our supporters with initiatives, projects and actions. And an ever greater **commitment**.

### ☛ Those who work with us are part of us.

Our suppliers play an **active role** in building our network. Those who work with us deeply connect with our mission and embrace it from day one. This fosters deeper mutual understanding and **more solid relationships**, bringing added value to every service.

### ☛ An on-going dialogue with the beneficiaries.

It is not just the end users and their families who benefit from our projects. Our Foundation establishes an **ongoing collaborative partnership** with the applicant organisations - associations, missions, institutions - to overcome logistical, bureaucratic and other problems. With our help, the body acquires knowledge and **proactive skills** that can allow them to access other funds and act autonomously.



## CONTRIBUTION TO THE UN AGENDA'S 2030 SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



Everyday, through its operations, the Foundation is committed to supporting the achievement of the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** adopted by the United Nations in September 2015, as part of the Global Agenda for Sustainable Development. This framework is structured around **five main pillars** (People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace, Partnership) and includes **17 goals**, which are in turn split into 169 targets to be reached by 2030.

In particular, the Foundation contributes to the pursuit of the following Sustainable Development Goals through the projects it finances:

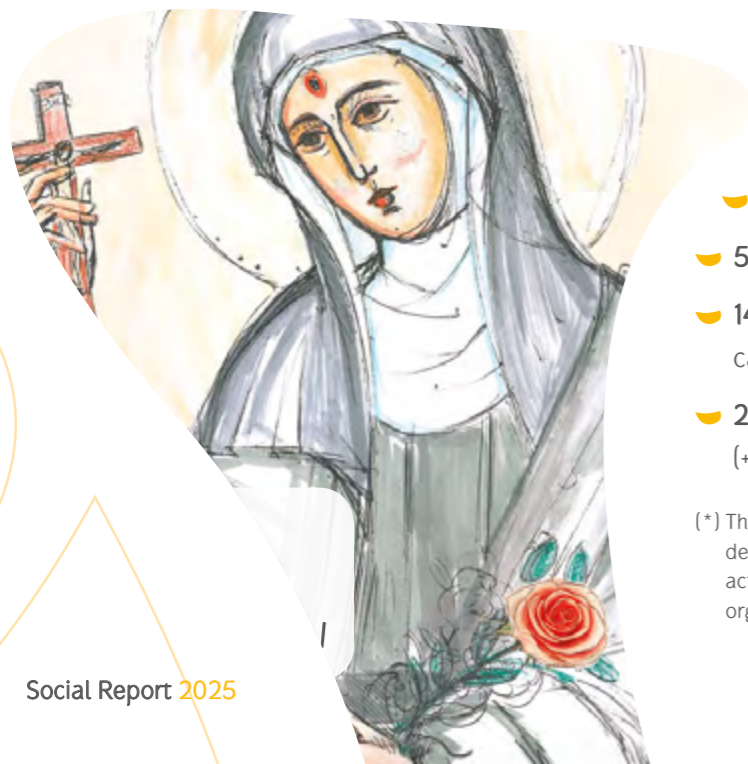


## FUNDRAISING AND COMMUNICATION ACTIVITIES

### There is a world behind every donation

The motivations behind the choice to make a donation can vary greatly from one individual to the next. That is why it is necessary to assess the **most effective message** on a case-by-case basis, selecting the best channel for conveying it, the tone most suited to the target audience and the most appropriate communication technique. Our communication is based on a **direct approach**, with a warm yet pragmatic tone, in line with the personality of Saint Rita.

Within its fundraising strategy, the Foundation pays particular attention to individual donations, focusing primarily on **three key channels**: *direct mailing*, *digital fundraising* and *events*. The **communications and press office** coordinates the different departments of the organisation, to ensure an optimal impact for the actions.



- 410,461 personal data entries with postal address (+5% on 2024)
- € 1,998,930 funds raised (-35% on 2024)\*
- 37,836 donations (stable figure)
- 5,064 new donors (+12% on 2024)
- 14,228 new contacts acquired with lead generation campaigns (-33% on 2024)
- 202,182 personal data entries with email address (+11% on 2024)

(\*) The decrease in funds raised is not attributable to an actual decline, but is in fact linked to strategic choices to suspend certain activities in 2025 in the interests of efficiency, in view of the 2026 organisational machine

### All the opportunities are contained in one letter

To offer greater visibility to the Foundation's activities, in 2025 Direct Mailing was established as **one of the most effective communication channels**.

In addition to raising awareness among people and organisations - with a special focus on families - we have introduced dedicated communications for our **major donors**, who increased by 35% from 2024 to 2025: this is our way of thanking them and making them feel even more part of the big Saint Rita family. We produced a total of **8 mailing campaigns** aimed at our diverse target groups of actual and potential donors.



Thanks to the combination of activities carried out, **fundraising was strengthened** in 2025. The preferred donation methods were **offline** - bank or post office transfer - but digital donations are increasing, thanks in part to the presence of **QR codes** on all paper materials. The choice offers our donors the possibility to support the projects however they prefer.

# A united and interactive family

Since 2021 we have been pursuing a **growth strategy** aimed at caring for the relationships with everyone involved in the world of Saint Rita of Cascia. The strategy diversifies the Foundation's activities and investments into two different but complementary directions.

- We pay **constant, on-going attention to the donors acquired** through all the digital fundraising tools available, to increase interactions and build a more solid relationship.
- We intend to **expand the base of new contacts** through specific activities aimed at acquiring new donors, including constant lead generation work.

By using all the digital fundraising tools available, we can convey ever **greater awareness** of the value of supporting the Foundation, which translates into concrete funding for the projects in Italy and around the world.



# Commitment dedicated to great emotions

To better manage the key gatherings dedicated to the Foundation's events, we are pleased to introduce a major development: as of September 2025, a dedicated **Donor Relations Area** has been established within the **Events and Volunteer Area**.

- The Events Area's objective is to **carefully organise** public charity events - in May with the Roses of Saint Rita and at Christmas - and the volunteer meeting in Cascia in the month of June
- The goal of the Donor Relations Area is to create a **lasting and meaningful relationship with the donors and volunteers**, making the donors an active part of the change and showing the tangible impact of their contributions.

In 2025, we strengthened participation, focussing on different moments of sharing and involvement over the course of the year and during the two most important events.

### Roses of Saint Rita solidarity event

Now in its **ninth edition**, the initiative once again saw volunteers publicly involved in distributing the rose seedlings. Again this year, it was possible to order the rose seedlings online, directly from the website.

A total of **369 occasional volunteers** were involved, who distributed **39,036 red rose seedlings**, a symbol of Saint Rita, on the weekend prior to the religious celebrations on 22 May.

### Third volunteer meeting in Cascia

On Saturday 14 and Sunday 15 June, **120 volunteers** took part in the third "Volunteers in the love of Saint Rita" meeting in Cascia.

Once again, the meeting was a meaningful moment of joyful exchange and engagement. The volunteers, who came with their families and friends, **played a leading role** in the initiatives promoted by the Foundation.



# More visibility for our values

The Foundation's Press Office is the **direct line** with the media: newspapers, websites, radio stations, TV channels and magazines. Thanks to targeted statements, reports and contacts, we tell the story of our commitment to fundraising, our active projects, the events and the awareness-raising campaigns. The objective is to inform people about the Foundation's work and the values that guide us through **engaging stories**, managing interviews, film clips and reportage, building solid and lasting relations with media professionals, thereby boosting the Foundation's presence in the third sector and beyond.

In 2025, the Foundation's visibility was strengthened not only on the historical outlets, but also through new **women's publications**. Thanks to the in-depth work on the flagship project **Dopodinoi**, the Foundation is positioning itself as an authoritative source on information on the subjects of disability and autism.



We issued a total of **10 press releases** on the national level with the new addition of two dossiers on the Dopodinoi project and another **12 press releases** for the **Roses of Saint Rita**, distributed regionally. Over **10 contacts** of authoritative journalists have been acquired.

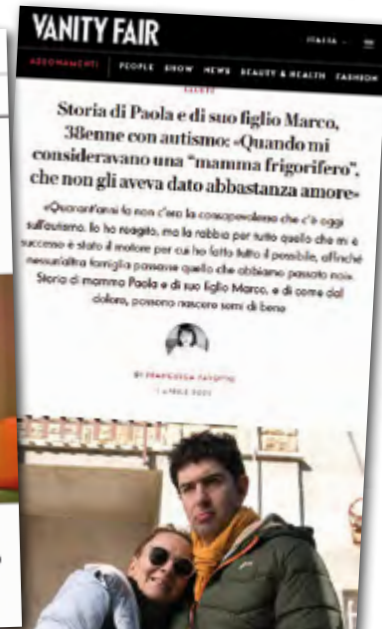
## The most important publications

### Feast of Saint Rita

The strategy involved launching a statement for World Autism Awareness Day on 2 April, with an additional focus for Mothers' Day. Long-standing relationships were consolidated with newspapers such as: **Ansa, Avvenire, Famiglia Cristiana, Agensir, Osservatore Romano, Vatican News, Tv2000, A Sua Immagine, Telepace.** With regard to women's and other publications, for the first time we were featured in **Asknews, Vanity Fair, Donna Moderna, Radio Vaticana, IoDonna, MarieClaire, Formato Famiglia (RadioRai!) and Tg1, Radio24, Vita.it, Superando.it,** and were cited in **Corriere della Sera.** Regionally, coverage was recorded in **Corriere di Viterbo e Rieti, Corriere dell'Umbria, Messaggero Umbria, Tgr Umbria, Iarena.it, Il Mattino, Salernotoday.it, Quotidiano del Sud, gazzettadelsud.it.**

### Christmas

Focus on the children at Dopodinoi, with excellent results: **Avvenire, Famiglia Cristiana, Vatican News, Agensir, settimanale F, Vanity Fair, Ansa, La Repubblica, Agipress, superabile.it, Asknews, Repubblica Solidale** and trickle-down reporting in Umbrian newspapers.



## FIORE DI CARITÀ - THE FOUNDATION'S PERIODICAL

### A living space of listening and dialogue

More than an ordinary house organ, Fiore di Carità (Flower of Charity) is the **Foundation's voice**, a space for encounter intended to reach supporters and volunteers, bringing them into the heart of what the Saint Rita Foundation is and what it does every day. It is a **16-page biannual periodical**, a window into the activities, the projects supported and the stories that bring them to life.

Its pages give space to topics that question contemporary society, **opportunities for reflection and shared action**, alongside tales of those who experience the Foundation first hand: volunteers, donors, workers. The periodical thus becomes a place of listening and dialogue that can **give voice to experiences**, values and choices that construct the common good on a daily basis.

In the **June issue**, we discussed the 2024 social report, shining a light on the accomplishments we achieved together with our supporters by **doubling** our projects in Italy and throughout the world. With the **December issue**, we focussed on the topic of care, in particular by talking about **caregivers**, people who take care of a disabled or non-self-sufficient family member - who are also often invisible in the eyes of the law.



- In 2025, we published two issues of the magazine, sending both of them to over **32,000** volunteers and donors for a total of **74,000** copies. For every issue, we print an additional **5,000** copies to raise awareness of the Foundation's projects among the residents of Cascia and pilgrims.

## THE CAMPAIGNS

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### The Roses of Saint Rita

From 7 March to 25 March 2025, our Foundation promoted and carried out the initiative **"The Roses of Saint Rita - 2025 edition" (9th edition)** to raise awareness of and funds for the most vulnerable.

The initiative involved **369 occasional volunteers** all over Italy, who **distributed red rose seedlings**, a symbol of Saint Rita, through charity stalls or personal distribution by word of mouth. The **proceeds** gathered equalled **€ 524,708.37**, for a total of **39,036** seedlings distributed.

The funds raised by the rose seedlings ordered online (form on the website [rosedisantarita.org](http://rosedisantarita.org)) and **offline** (payment via bank or post office transfer) generated revenues equal to **€ 60,833** for a total of **2,524** seedlings shipped and an overall amount of 1,661 donations received.

**Overall, the fundraising generated proceeds of € 585,542.**

Thanks to strategic work that optimised the costs and focussed more and more on volunteer training and networking, the public event recorded an ROI (return on investment) corresponding to 1, with an increase of 38% compared to the previous year's edition (ROI 0.7), a result never achieved before.

The event saw the participation of **90 new volunteers**, who were welcomed into our family thanks to a targeted **volunteer recruitment** campaign through Facebook, put into action in January 2025 and which we will re-launch each year before the public event.

The campaign raised funds to support those most in need, and in particular the **DOPODINOI** project by Angsa Umbria, which plans to create innovative facilities dedicated to people with autism.



## The Feast of Saint Rita

From 1 April to 31 August 2025, the Saint Rita of Cascia Foundation carried out the **"2025 Feast" (5th edition)** fundraising campaign, spanning the time period of the celebrations in honour of Saint Rita and characterised by two distinct macro-activities, one online and one offline.

**The online activity** focussed on inviting users to donate via the dedicated landing page form. To thank our donors, they were gifted **a ring bearing the Foundation's logo** and the phrase YOU ARE SAINT RITA'S ROSE. The gift represented a **special tie** to the Saint, and proved to be a strategic asset for the outcome of the campaign. Targeting both prospective and existing donors, the communication was channelled through the META Ads (Facebook/Instagram) and Google Ads platforms, to maximise the **visibility of the posts on social media**. To reach potential new donors, we used a marketing automation strategy designed to **convert new contacts** through personalised and targeted emails. The campaign was promoted through social media channels, the website, via DEM (Direct Email Marketing) and through the press office activities, generating a total of **5,117 donations** with profits equal to **€ 160,573**.

**The offline activity**, aimed at donors who prefer traditional payment methods such as post office payment slips or bank transfers, included sending out paper mail with a postal payment slip containing a **gadget** (specifically, a magnetick) as a way of saying thank you. The funds raised through mailing generated a total of **4,093 donations**, for proceeds equal to **€ 143,672**.

**In total, the fundraising campaign generated proceeds of € 304,245, through 9,210 donations.**

Once again, the proceeds from this campaign were directed towards the most vulnerable, and in particular the DOPODINOI project by Angsa Umbria, to create **innovative facilities** dedicated to people with autism.



## THE CAMPAIGNS

# The Christmas campaign

In 2025, the “**Christmas - 2025 edition**” campaign, carried out from 26 November to 28 February 2026, did not include a public event but instead concentrated on online activities, inviting people to donate on the institutional website - through a form on the dedicated landing page - and sending a diary as a thank you.

Conceived as the natural evolution of the previous campaign, characterised by sending an original handbook, the **2026 weekly diary** represented the new addition for this campaign. The appreciative response to the campaign led us to **run out of the copies budgeted for**, —a success that ensures we will definitely offer another gift for Christmas 2026. The strategy implemented was to reinforce awareness of support for the Foundation and the projects connected to the **value of charity**, a Christian and Ritian value par excellence.

The **multi-channel** campaign was promoted across social media channels, on our institutional website, via DEM (Direct Email Marketing) and through the press office activities, generating a total of **2,389 donations** with proceeds equal to **€ 89,708**.

The offline activity, aimed at the target in the database that prefers “traditional” payment methods such as post office payment slips and/or bank transfers, was based on sending out paper mail with a postal payment slip containing a gadget as a thank you (specifically, a paper frame). The funds raised through mailing generated **2,833 donations**, for proceeds equal to **€ 136,262**.

**In total, the fundraising campaign generated proceeds of € 225,970, through 5,222 donations.**

The funds raised to support the most vulnerable, and in particular the **DOPODINOI** project by Angsa Umbria, an initiative that plans to create **innovative facilities** dedicated to people with autism.



## THE CAMPAIGNS

# 5x1000

With regard to the 5x1000 tax payer donations, the Saint Rita Foundation is ranked **among the top 100 organisations** in the Third Sector out of 80,000 nationally. Our Foundation allocates the funds raised to projects supporting the **most vulnerable**. In 2024, we received **€ 500,274** relating to the 2023 financial year, which we distributed in 2025. The amount corresponds to **18,000 preferences** expressed by taxpayers.

**1.** Of this, **€ 465,274** went to support the **“Beehive of Saint Rita”**, a fully-fledged educational community dedicated to minors run by the Monastery of Saint Rita of Cascia. The Beehive offers **hospitality, assistance and education to minors experiencing difficulties**, in particular to **11 Little Bees**, the girls (11 - 17 years old) in the residential programme, and the **40 Wild Flowers**, boys and girls (6 - 12 years old) in the semi-residential programme. This allocation covered the **general expenses** from 1 September to 31 December 2024, and from 1 January to 31 July 2025; it also covered the operating costs for the second half of 2024 and part of the first half of 2025.

**2.** For the 2023-2024-2025 three-year period, **€ 25,000** was given to the **“Access to Education” project in Lebanon by the JRS** (Jesuit Refugee Service), in favour of **859 children between the ages of 5 and 17**, of Syrian and Lebanese origin. Active in three schools in the city of Baalbeck, around 90 km from Beirut, the project provides children with indispensable **school kits and winter kits**; it also offers training courses for the teaching body, to raise awareness regarding the protection of minors and to create a safe environment for young people.

**3.** **€ 10,000** was allocated to support the **“UP Centre” project**, a socio-educational centre for minors run by ANGSA Umbria (National Association of Parents for People with Autism) in Santa Maria degli Angeli, Assisi. In 2023, our Foundation decided to support the well-being of **30 children with autism** cared for by the Centre - over a 3-year period and for a total of **€ 30,000** - contributing in particular to **ongoing training for the staff**.



## PROJECTS

### PROJECTS IN ITALY

## Beehive of Saint Rita A story of love and hospitality

Cascia (PG) - Italy

The Beehive is a **project for hosting minors** founded in Cascia in 1938 by **Blessed Mother Fasce**, the historical Abbess of the Monastery of Saint Rita. In its **87 years of history**, the Beehive of Saint Rita has become a home, a school and a community. It has been able to constantly adapt to social changes to propose **a project that always keeps up with the times**, and is able to respond effectively to the needs of minors and young people. Today, the residential part of the Beehive has been transformed into an **educational community**, which can host girls from the ages of 11 to 17 who come from families in need and from the social services or from the Juvenile Court in the cases provided for by the law.

Since its establishment, our Foundation has designed and developed communication, awareness and fundraising campaigns to support this historic hosting project by the Monastery of Saint Rita of Cascia.

The facility offers two options:


1. The **Residential programme for the Little Bees**, which is what we affectionately call the girls who are cared for by a team of educators. They look after all their daily needs, ensuring these young girls receive every ounce of love possible in a family environment where they can **thrive**. We offer them help in studying, health care and psychological support, as well as a specific and personalised food programme.





**2.** After-school activities for the **Wild flowers**, local boys and girls between the ages of **6 and 12**. There is also a team of educators for them who accompany them with love and dedication, both in their tasks and in the various moments of play and activities.

The basic idea is to guarantee an **educational service** that responds to the needs of the minors – which are different for each of them – and is able to accompany them on a pathway of positive and functional growth. Children and their needs are at the heart of the Beehive’s work, which is guided by a **philosophy of hospitality** that the founder, Mother Fasce, based on love and attention, to foster adequate **psychological, physical and social development** and to develop **autonomy**.

 In 2025, we disbursed **€ 465,274** to cover the general expenses and operating costs (see pages 46-48 on 5xmille) and a further **€ 45,000** to make the facilities more energy efficient


## PROJECTS IN ITALY

### The AfterBeehive, support for first steps

Cascia (PG) - Italy

After completing the educational path offered by the Beehive, the girls must take their first steps into the world, a **stage** that can be a challenge and also a trauma. For this reason, the Monastery established the AfterBeehive: a transitional space that can offer girls effective tools for facing **university or work paths**.

The direct beneficiaries in 2025 were **3 former Little Bees**, girls over the age of 18. Their profiles included typical elements of **difficulty**: post-traumatic stress, financial precarity, pronounced cultural and social differences that hinder integration. The indirect beneficiaries were the families of the young women, who were relieved of **financial burdens** they couldn’t bear.

 In 2025 we disbursed **€ 36,472** to cover the entire amount of the project, which will support the girls on their journey until 2027



## Dopodinoi. A home for the most vulnerable

Bastia Umbra (PG) - Italy

We care about improving quality of life for people with autism and their families.

The DOPODINOI (AFTER US) co-housing project by Angsa Umbria, the National Association of Parents for People with Autism, involves **building innovative facilities dedicated to people with autism**, with the support of qualified staff. The Foundation is the sole funder of the project, for a total commitment of **€ 400,000** to be provided over a 4-year period. The facility will be located in a quiet, private setting, close to essential healthcare and community services (green spaces, post offices, supermarkets, shops, station).



The project will provide a home for people with autism by **helping them transition to independent living**, offering the young people greater autonomy without exposing them to trauma of sudden separation from their families.



- 12 youths and adults with autism
- € 116,000 disbursed in 2025



## PROJECTS IN ITALY

# The Home of Saint Rita. For families in hospital

Cascia (PG) - Italy



The Home of Saint Rita is located in Cascia, on the second floor of the new Cascia hospital.

It is a project by the Monastery of Saint Rita created to offer **hospitality and support to families of hospitalised patients from all over Italy** who accompany their loved ones to the hospital for prolonged care.

In cases of **long hospital stays or rehabilitation programmes**, the lack of a place to stay can be a real problem for families. The project represents a solution for those who cannot afford hotel accommodation or long-term rentals, allowing family members to **stay close to their loved ones** in a welcoming and dignified place.

Our Foundation is financing the **renovation works** to create a real “home away from home”. With **7 rooms** equipped with a private bathroom, a shared dining room with a kitchenette, washing machine and utility room, the Home of Saint Rita will offer comfort and services to guarantee families the possibility to be close to their loved ones and assist them in difficult moments.



237m<sup>2</sup> of space

7 rooms

€ 174,327 set aside on 31/12/2025 to complete the works, which were slowed down by the complex bureaucratic process

## PROJECTS IN ITALY

# Ortolandia: a social farm

Rome - Italy

Our Foundation supports the project ORTOLANDIA: A SOCIAL FARM promoted by the social cooperative 'MIO FRATELLO È FIGLIO UNICO' in Rome to develop **workplace independence for people with autism**.

The initiative aims to develop autonomy and responsibility, as well as both technical and socio-relational skills, in a protected working and relational context, and also to raise awareness about caring for the environment. The planned activities include **caring for the farm spaces, animal rearing, agriculture, carpentry, creation of nature trails**, as well as planning event days. The families of the young people involved and younger users can also benefit from the spaces of the local community. The project intends to create **coaching and support** programmes during the development stage for greater scholastic and relational well-being, integration into the social and working context, support for families and raising awareness of topics related to disabilities.



5 adults and their families

€ 14,850 disbursed in 2025



## PROJECTS IN ITALY

# Hippotherapy. When love heals

Ravenna - Italy

We support the HIPPOThERAPY project by Villaggio Lakota in Ravenna, which was set up to create social inclusion through playful sports activities.

Our relationship to animals touches our feelings and that is why hippotherapy works miracles, especially for young people with **autism**. Taking care of a horse, tending to it and then riding it, is a relationship journey that gives confidence and stability in the most natural way. The Project offers the opportunity to **develop motor skills and social integration**; it includes learning about the environment, the stables and the working field. The families are involved and supported on this journey, and the riding school offers unique opportunities to carry out outdoor activities where they can interact with each other. The project includes the possibility of taking the young people to the Special Olympics and Paralympics.



- 26 people with intellectual disabilities (4-36 years old)
- € 32,208 disbursed in 2025



## PROJECTS IN ITALY

# Rowing, sport as therapy

Naples - Italy

Disability often means isolation and inactivity, and sport is a big help in these cases. Our Foundation supports the Rowing Therapy project by the Accademia del Remo e dello Sport di Napoli (Rowing and Sports Academy of Naples), the only one of its kind.

Rowing encourages **team spirit, engages the entire body and fosters a closer connection to the outdoor environment**. The Foundation's support, which has been extended until October 2026, allowed the Academy to purchase a **vehicle** for transporting people. It has also funded the sports staff and medics for training sessions, dedicated equipment, and expenses, allowing the **entire team** to compete — regardless of their family's financial background.



- 30 children and young adults with intellectual disabilities
- € 49,930 disbursed in 2025






## Doppia Diagnosi. A complex challenge

Spoletto (PG) - Italy

The Saint Rita Foundation supports the DOPPIA DIAGNOSI (Double Diagnosis) project by the Don Guerrino Rota Solidarity Centre, set up to face a difficult challenge: to develop an **integrated response to addictions** that combines rehabilitation and therapeutic interventions to also counteract **mental health problems**.

The initiative is aimed at those who, in addition to facing **substance and alcohol addiction**, also have psychiatric disorders – a phenomenon that is constantly expanding, fuelled by the increase in the consumption of **psychoactive substances** among young people. It is a scourge that is affecting the new generations, raising serious concerns at the regional level and devastating families. The project offers a **supportive pathway** through self-help groups, which is essential to provide the assistance and resources needed to address these complex challenges.

-  24 people suffering from addiction and psychiatric disorders
-  12 workers
-  € 34,900 disbursed in 2025





## A bridge countering violence against women

Cesena (FC) – Italy

The project UN PONTE VERSO L'AUTONOMIA (A Bridge Towards Autonomy) by Associazione Apeiron was launched to **prevent and combat gender-based violence**. It was founded in Cesena, in Emilia-Romagna, the Italian region with highest levels of violence against women, with the aim of promoting effective pathways to **independence** for women who have experienced violence and work on **prevention** by raising awareness among citizens.

The Foundation's support aims to enhance the agency and self-reliance of the women housed in an **apartment** managed by Apeiron ODV through **empowerment** programmes. It also seeks to strengthen bonds among the beneficiaries and within the community through educational and recreational activities, develop **staff skills**, and run **awareness** campaigns to prevent gender-based violence.

-  Around 250 people, including women, minors and citizens
-  € 5,250 disbursed in 2025

## Children and the right to medical care

Sabou – Burkina Faso

The Saint Rita Foundation supports the project promoted by Emergenze Sorrisi ETS to open a **new equipped operating room** in the CMAMK Hospital in Sabou, to provide care for children with malformations or debilitating burns.

The local health services lack the trained staff and adequate equipment to **manage** these conditions, making interventions that would prevent permanent functional limitations impossible. The project aims to ensure free, effective **medical treatment** while strengthening staff skills. The beneficiaries will be around **40** children who currently lack access to specialist care, while 100 children will benefit from free specialised **screenings**.

Burkina Faso has registered an **extreme poverty** rate equal to 25.6% and is ranked 185th out of 193 in the Human Development Index; the Sabou region, in the Mid-West, is one of the poorest in the country.



- 140 children for interventions and screenings
- 20 doctors and nurses trained
- 12,000 users of the Health District
- € 22,626 disbursed in 2025



## Giving hope to orphans

Makamba - Burundi

The mission of the “Uwimana Makamba” orphanage in the diocese of Bururi is to save, support and educate **children who have been abandoned** on the streets or in the forests, or who have lost their father or mother.

Founded in 1993 and built with poor materials, the orphanage is in urgent need of **development and expansion**. Due to the poverty and high cost of living in Burundi, the orphanage faces major **difficulties in feeding the children** and can only hand out small daily rations. The medical assistance provided is also extremely limited and insufficient.

Thanks to its donors, the Foundation can answer the orphanage’s call to bring **care and hope** to the orphans of Burundi.



- 52 children housed, including 41 from 0 to 3 years old
- 36 external children for the canteen
- 14 assistants
- € 25,000 disbursed in 2025



## ETIapiA: honey in Ethiopia

Rural areas - Ethiopia

The ETIapiA project by GSI ITALIA - Gruppi solidarietà internazionale ODV was created to provide **food support and develop income-generating activities** for the poorest population centres in selected rural areas.

Our Foundation supports the project, which aims to strengthen the **honey production chain** in Ethiopia. The first step is training **beekeepers specialised** in the creation and regeneration of bee colonies. The initiative also involves the production and distribution of beehives, monitoring their management, and technical assistance in caring for the bees and selling excess honey. In parallel to this, they will focus on **fighting desertification**, by planting trees and bushes close to the production stations. The project has a threefold purpose: to protect the environment, promote productive activities, and simultaneously improve food security.



- 8 production centres and 22 local communities
- € 38,065 disbursed in 2024 (the portion allocated for 2025 has been postponed)



## Ishiara Mission

Ishiara - Kenya

In Ishiara, a village close to the city of Embu, the Monastery of the Augustine Missionaries has worked for the benefit of those facing the greatest need since 1997. For years, our Foundation has supported the Monastery for the operation of the **Blessed Mother Teresa Fasce School**, where nuns educate and assist students from poor families.

The facility is a residential home only for girls and it provides **education, food and all the necessary care** to build hope in the future. For many boys and girls in the village, the meal offered by the Monastery is the only one of the day.

In 2025 we funded the works, which are still on-going, to expand the Blessed Mother Fasce School, which involves a total commitment of € 176,350, and we have allowed the creation of an emergency fund for the schoolchildren's needs.



- 400 children
- € 90,000 disbursed in 2025



## For the young people at the School of Our Lady of the Annunciation

Quelimane - Mozambique

The Quelimane school is located in the Zambesia region of Mozambique. Run by the Augustinian nuns of the Most Holy Annunciation, it has a large attendance (900 pupils) and has been recognised by the Government of Mozambique since 2004 for the **high quality of its teaching** and education.

However, the school requires an expansion to allow 300 children to continue their studies. The project supported by the Foundation plans to build **3 new classrooms** and would give all the children the possibility to **complete the school cycle**.

The local schools cannot meet the demand and so the children struggle to learn to read and write. Providing access to high-quality education allows them to develop skills for **decent employment**, creating a positive ripple effect within their families and society.

- 🔍 300 children (6 - 15 years old)
- 🔍 € 42,178 disbursed in 2025



## The challenges of illiteracy

Salêmata - Senegal

Senegal is taking big strides in the field of education. However, since the homes are **spread out**, many villages do not have enough primary schools to educate their children.

In the region of Salêmata, the DIDEC - Diocesan Directorate for Catholic Education - is enacting an important **literacy project** with the support of the Saint Rita Foundation. The project plans to found **small community schools** to host children and adults, train teachers, provide teaching materials and carry out extensive work to **raise awareness** among parents and communities about the importance of education.

Literacy means new **growth opportunities** for children, employment and entrepreneurial possibilities for adults, and allows girls to access the same opportunities as boys.

- 🔍 500 children and 150 adults for access to educational services
- 🔍 50 professors for professional development
- 🔍 300 families to be reached
- 🔍 € 37,747 disbursed in 2025



## The Saint Frances of Assisi children's home

Bunda - Tanzania

The Saint Frances of Assisi children's home is a **home-village** led by the Missionary Sisters of the Eucharist, with Franciscan Eucharistic spirituality. Attention is paid to the **poor** and to breaking the 'bread of the Word' with the little ones they meet along the way.

The home-village is in the Mara region of Tanzania, close to the city of Bunda. The home houses **children without making distinctions in terms of sex or religion**, including orphans and albinos who have been abandoned or face serious family difficulties.

Thanks to the project supported by the Foundation, the missionaries can **concretely improve the living conditions** of 84 children and 3 families, providing them with a quality **education** (with music, Italian and even IT lessons), a nourishing **meal** and a **protected environment** to grow up in.



- 84 children and 3 families with 6 members
- € 24,073 disbursed in 2025



## Together for the well-being of children and families

Kara - Togo

In the Kara district of Togo, there is a water shortage and the health facilities are lacking. However, the crucial problem is the **increase in poverty** - which can be seen among women, especially widows and peasants - and the lack of **basic education**.

To aid populations facing severe hardship, the Foundation supports the project INSIEME PER IL BENESSERE (Together for Well-Being) by the **Ursuline Nuns of Saint Paul**, which is carried out within the Providence Catholic School Institute, benefiting **600 children**.

The action will allow students to benefit from a **daily meal** provided by the school canteen and a space where they can play safely. They are able to study thanks to a well-stocked **library** and highly motivated teachers. Moreover, to support the poorest families, the project provides **access to micro-loans** to launch small income-generating activities.



- 600 children from 6-11 years old
- 12 teachers
- 24 women (micro-loans)
- € 30,000 disbursed in 2025



## A life-saving ambulance

Masaka - Uganda

Padre Pio Hospital in Butozi **needs** an ambulance. Many people are continuing to lose their lives in Uganda, especially in the districts of Kyotera and Masaka, because there is no **emergency hospital transportation** and the roads are in very bad condition.

The project supported by our Foundation provides the hospital with an **ambulance** to bring people to the hospital, including future mothers and their children, mothers with post-partum complications and anyone needing emergency surgery. The ambulance is managed by doctors and nurses and has a **small lab**, with oxygen and equipment to carry out blood compatibility tests in case of emergency transfusions.

The vehicle is a **robust 4x4** that can tackle the dirt roads in the area. It is expected to transport an average of 5 patients per day, or 1,800 patients per year, during the first 10 to 15 years.

- 🔍 340,000 residents
- 🔍 € 36,251 disbursed in 2025



## For early intervention in childhood disabilities

Agasteeswaram - India

In **poor communities** such as those in the district of Kanyakumari, in Tamil Nadu, there is a scarcity of financial resources for accessing specialised education and health services. In addition, other critical factors include a lack of awareness, **late diagnosis** and inadequate emergency response services.

The project proposed by Pro Vision and promoted by the Saint Rita Foundation aims to create a complete system dedicated to **early identification and intervention for childhood disorders and disabilities**. The planned tools include regular home visits, awareness-raising programmes, training for workers, **creation of centres** for early intervention, consultations and support groups for parents, as well as collaboration with local bodies and organisations.

In order to combat childhood disabilities, **prompt intervention** can generate benefits that last a lifetime.

- 🔍 200 children with special needs and 600 family members
- 🔍 60,000 potential users
- 🔍 € 12,000 disbursed in 2025



## PROJECTS AROUND THE WORLD

### War and mental health

Roueisset, Beirut - Lebanon



In Lebanon, decades of **war**, economic collapse and mass displacement have generated serious problems, including in terms of **mental health**. The project led by the Good Shepherd International Foundation (GSIF), in collaboration with the Good Shepherd Sisters (GSS), is aimed at vulnerable groups, paying special attention to **displaced women and children, trauma survivors** now facing **serious financial difficulties**.

The project, supported by our Foundation, proposes long-term **psycho-social assistance** services provided at the St. Antoine dispensary in Roueisset, one of the poorest areas of Beirut's suburbs. The programme includes **psycho-social support** with group therapy and workshops on recovering from trauma, **support for families**, parental assistance and family therapy, **psychiatric support** with diagnoses, treatment and access to psychotropic medication for patients affected by serious illness. In the dedicated areas of the Centre, women and children have access to **safe spaces**, where they receive support to overcome the brutal effects of war and poverty.



- 680 beneficiaries
- 2,700 indirect beneficiaries
- € 20,839 disbursed in 2025

## PROJECTS AROUND THE WORLD

### Bulacan Mission

Bulacan - Philippines

Bulacan, in the Philippines, is a **very poor region** where the population subsists on precarious livelihoods and few people have stable jobs. The Augustinian nuns of the "Mother of Good Counsel" convent have become a point of reference for an **entire community**. In addition to spiritual support, the nuns provide for the concrete needs for daily subsistence, **supplying food, clothing, medicines and medical assistance**.

In 2025, the project supported by the Foundation concentrated on **education**. The support of the nuns is in fact particularly valuable for young people who see education as **the only way out** of endemic poverty.

We also came to the community's aid during the dramatic **typhoon emergency** that devastated the country in 2025.



- 30 beneficiaries
- 80-100 families supported
- € 17,846 disbursed in 2025, of which € 3,370 went to the typhoon emergency

## PROJECTS AROUND THE WORLD

### San Pedro Mission

San Pedro - Philippines

The mission of the Ursuline Sisters has been operating in the San Antonio District of San Pedro, in the Philippines, for 37 years. Over 2,600 families here live in **landfills** and shacks lacking basic services and drinking water. Many inhabitants suffer from **hunger** and fall sick due to the **lack of medicines**.

The project backed by our Foundation offers a **food support** programme, which includes the provision of a Sunday meal for **600-800 children and adults**, and medical assistance, with volunteer doctors who offer free **health consultations** and medicines. In the educational field: **free teaching** for children aged 5 and up, **school materials** for pupils ranging from primary school to university, uniforms and financial aid for the neediest. The project has helped the construction of classrooms to guarantee 60 students technical professional training.

We also came to the community's aid during the dramatic **typhoon emergency** that devastated the country in 2025.



- 900 including adults, young people and children
- € 19,643 disbursed in 2025, of which € 6,310 went to the typhoon emergency



## PROJECTS AROUND THE WORLD

### For children in wartime

Kiev - Ukraine

After three years of the conflict in Ukraine, children and teenagers are living under conditions of **profound emotional vulnerability**, with direct repercussions on their psychological and social development. Three Ukrainian children out of 4 live in a state of **constant fear**, while 9 minors out of 10 show symptoms of psychological stress, including a lack of interest in learning, **isolation** and loss of trust (data from Save the Children).

To help minors overcome the serious effects of the war, the Foundation supports the project by VIS- Volontariato Internazionale per lo Sviluppo (International Volunteering for Development) for the emotional well-being and **resilience of children**, teenagers, parents and social workers in the Kiev district. To achieve these purposes, the project provides **psycho-social support** programmes, **awareness-raising** sessions on the risks associated with explosive devices and recreational and expressive **summer camps** for children and teens, as well as **training activities** for teachers and social workers.



- 645 direct beneficiaries
- 2,320 indirect beneficiaries
- € 18,804 disbursed in 2025



## Gregor Mendel Institute of Pedagogical Higher Education

Chuquibambilla - Peru

The Gregor Mendel Institute was founded in 1968 by Augustinian Missionaries in the Department of Apurimac, an extremely **poor and isolated** area of Peru. The Institute's mission is to ensure young people's **right to study** and to prepare the teachers of tomorrow.

Of the two projects supported by the Foundation, both with a multi-year duration, the first involves hiring **3 teachers** with specific skills for working in complex contexts, such as knowledge of the Quechan language and intercultural education. The initiative allows teenagers in rural areas to **complete secondary education** in their region, promoting social and work inclusion, strengthening local and cultural identity. The Institute has applied to become a fully-fledged **University**.

The second project involves building and maintaining a **student canteen** for the institute, including supplying equipment and hiring staff for effective management.



- 230 students as direct beneficiaries
- 83,128 inhabitants of the three provinces in the Department of Apurimac (data from 2017) as indirect beneficiaries
- € 39,890 disbursed in 2025, of which:
  - € 27,000 for the project dedicated to hiring 3 teachers
  - € 12,890 for the project dedicated to the canteen

## “Virgilius Memorial Hospital”

Namu - Nigeria

Namu is a vast **rural community** in Nigeria distributed across 35 villages and more than 100 agricultural settlements. Here, the nuns of the Congregation of Sisters of Our Lady of Fatima work hard every day to ensure the right to health of over **20,000** people, including many children, in a context of **extreme poverty**.

Since 2023, our Foundation has supported this great commitment through the **construction of a new hospital**, which will help to improve the health conditions of the inhabitants of Namu and the surrounding areas. The project involved creating a large, modern building with all the features needed to be able to host numerous **wards and specialised units** in the future. Developed over a two-year period, the project required a total support of € 123,510.60. The hospital is currently **active**.



- 20,000 patients
- € 32,600 disbursed in 2025



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Un ente filantropico,  
un fiore di carità



CHAPTER IV  
Economic  
and Financial  
overview

## Statement of Assets and Liabilities

<b>Assets</b>		<b>Liabilities</b>	
Fixed assets	€ 608,728	Net assets	€ 3,054,308
Current assets	€ 2,632,117	Provisions for liabilities and costs	€ 13,076
Accrued assets	€ 85,746	Severance indemnity for salaried employees	€ 73,172
<b>☛ TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>€ 3,326,591</b>	Payables	€ 164,576
		Deferred income	€ 21,459
		<b>☛ TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>€ 3,326,591</b>

## Statement of activities

Expenses from activities of general interest	€ 1,472,837	Income from activities of general interest	€ 1,138,644
Expenses from fundraising activities	€ 628,408	Income from fundraising activities	€ 1,377,694
Expenses from financial and asset-related activities	€ 211,002	Income from financial and asset-related activities	€ 191,045
General support expenses	€ 355,556	General support income	€ 5,064
Taxes for the financial year	€ 10,261		
<b>☛ TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>€ 2,678,064</b>	<b>☛ TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>€ 2,712,447</b>



In order to pursue the institutional Mission and Values discussed in the previous pages, the Saint Rita of Cascia Philanthropic Organisation ETS employs specialised staff dedicated to individual fundraising and the consolidation of its administrative operations. Through these activities, the Foundation has designed and implemented both regular and occasional campaigns—detailed in the previous pages—while also promoting and structuring fundraising initiatives aimed at organisations with objectives similar and complementary to its own. Efforts were also directed toward the operational team, foregoing the organisation of the Christmas public event in order to concentrate on the preparatory development of the Events and Volunteers area, which was divided in two to establish the new Donor Support area, dedicated specifically to donors, volunteers and individuals interested in the Foundation’s initiatives.

With a total value of € 1,180,651, the **Assets restricted by third parties** include: the **Funds** relating to sums that donors have given during the year with a specific indication of the destination and which, therefore, not having been spent, have been appropriately restricted to said purposes; the Funds referring to “**Legacies**” and “**Bequests**” concern the value of fixed assets, related furnishings and monetary legacies received through inheritance, which, according to the express wishes of the testator, are to be allocated to the activities of the Monastery of Saint Rita of the Augustinian Nuns of Cascia, where specified; the Fund referring to “**Monastery Projects**” concerns the provisions dedicated to future plans by the Monastery, according to the express wish of the donor.

With a total value of € 529,450, the **Assets restricted by the Administrative Body** include the **Funds** relating to sums that the Board of Directors has chosen to restrict in order to assure the implementation or completion of the projects that the Saint Rita of Cascia Foundation aims to help carry out, thanks to its donors.

The economic result of € 495,045 relating to the **5xmille** allocation pertaining to the 2024 financial year and received in 2025 is classified within the Statement of Activities as **Income from activities of General Interest**.

## Composition of the net assets

(as of 31 December 2025)

The total net assets are composed of the following items:

### Endowment fund

€ 120,000

### Assets restricted by third parties

Funds from bequests and legacies	€ 594,822
Monastery projects fund	€ 356,822
Beehive restricted fund	€ 188,765
Bulacan restricted fund	€ 590
Ishiarā - Kenya restricted fund	€ 800
“The Home of Saint Rita” restricted fund	€ 33,379
Childhood projects restricted fund	€ 2,658
Missions fund	€ 1,075
Foundation projects restricted fund	€ 145
San Pedro restricted fund	€ 200
DopodiNoi restricted fund	€ 1,395

### Free assets

Operational surplus carried forward	€ 1,151,010
Brescia/Succ.Ne Vigliani Property Fund	€ 38,814

### Assets restricted by the Administrative Body

The Home of Saint Rita restricted fund	€ 140,948
Beehive restricted fund	€ 204,503
DopodiNoi restricted fund	€ 184,000

**Operational surplus** € **34,383**

**TOTAL NET ASSETS** € **3,019,925**

## The net results of the occasional fundraising campaigns in 2025

### ☛ The Roses of Saint Rita

proceeds	€ 585,542
expenses	€ 320,016
result	€ 264,471

### ☛ Christmas

proceeds	€ 225,970
expenses	€ 104,044
result	€ 121,926

### ☛ Feast

proceeds	€ 304,245
expenses	€ 127,884
result	€ 176,361



## Monitoring by the Control Body

Pursuant to art. 30, p. 7 of the Third Sector Code, during the course of the 2025 financial year we carried out activities to verify the compliance of the social report prepared by the SAINT RITA OF CASCIA FOUNDATION PHILANTHROPIC ORGANISATION - E.T.S." with the guidelines for drafting social reports for Third Sector organisations, issued by the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies with Ministerial Decree 4.7.2019, in accordance with the provisions of art. 14 of the Third Sector Code.

The SAINT RITA OF CASCIA FOUNDATION PHILANTHROPIC ORGANISATION - E.T.S." has declared that it has prepared its social report for the 2025 financial year in compliance with the above-mentioned guidelines. Without prejudice to the administrative body's responsibilities to prepare the social report in accordance with the methods and timeframes provided for by the regulations governing its drafting, as required by law, the control body has the responsibility of attesting that the social report complies with the guidelines by the Ministry of Labour and Social Policies.

In addition, the control body is responsible for ascertaining whether the content of the social report is manifestly inconsistent with the data reported in the annual financial statements and/or with the information and data in its possession.

To this end, we have verified that the information contained in the social report faithfully represents the activity carried out by the organisation and is consistent with the information requirements laid out in the ministerial guidelines of reference.

Our conduct was based on the provisions of the Rules of Conduct for control bodies of Third Sector Organisations, published by the CNDCEC in December 2020. In this regard, we also verified the following aspects:

- ☛ compliance of the social report's structure with the specific section breakdown required under Paragraph 6 of the Guidelines;
- ☛ inclusion in the social report of the information referred to in the specific subsections explicitly provided for in Paragraph 6 of the Guidelines, provided that an adequate explanation is given for any omitted information;
- ☛ adherence to the principles for drafting the social report set forth in Paragraph 5 of the Guidelines, including the principles of relevance and completeness, which may necessitate the supplementing of the information, as explicitly required by the Guidelines.

*Control Body and Auditor*

## Support beyond all barriers

In order to develop our operations supporting the most vulnerable, the Saint Rita Foundation is committed to achieving clear and defined goals in the near future:

- to strengthen the **fundraising** area by allocating new resources and opening up a **Corporate** office to implement and target fundraising activities, not only towards individuals but also companies, bodies and organisations
- to focus on increasing **investments** in the digital area, on clustering target groups in the DM area and on data analysis skills within the events and volunteer area
- to enhance **human capital** and autonomy by organising work based on responsibility and trust
- to increase the Foundation's **visibility** by using new media and new communication channels to make the Foundation's voice a social and institutional reference
- to expand the scope of the **projects** in Italy and around the world, developing and consolidating relationships with the beneficiaries as part of a shared journey that ensures autonomy and a proactive approach.

We care deeply about **collective well-being**, social inclusion, reducing inequalities and respect for dignity. We address fundamental **rights** - health, food, education - but also those perceived as superfluous but in fact absolutely essential, like **happiness**. We believe in giving everyone the opportunity to live life to the fullest, unhindered by **vulnerability**. Overcoming these barriers is our revolution, one we champion every day, person by person, project by project, without ever stopping.





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