

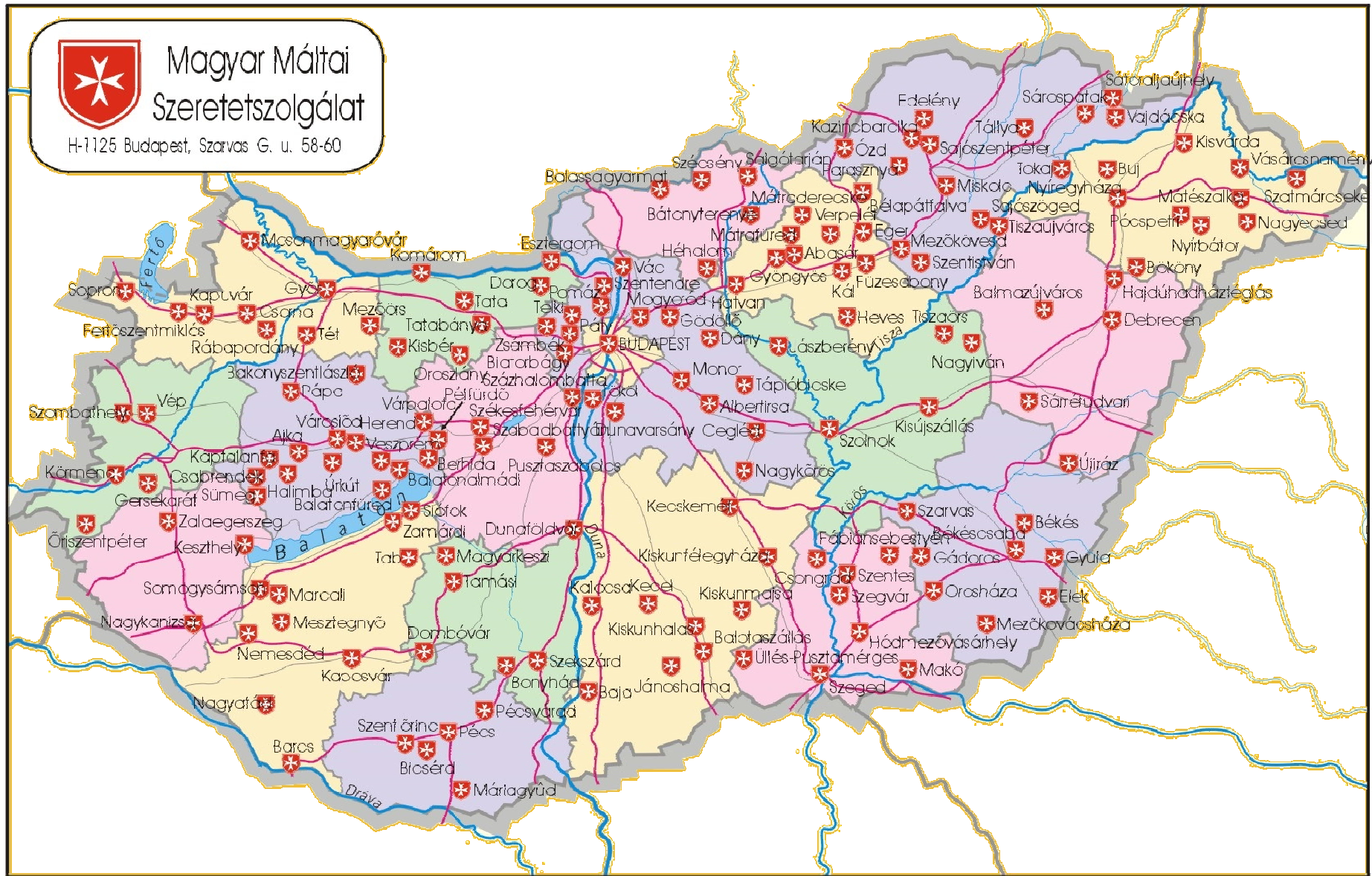


The Hungarian Maltese Charity Service - a charitable organization of the Sovereign Order of Malta - is present in Hungary since 1989 as one of the most significant charitable organizations. Its founder and leader - father Imre Kozma, is a member of the Hospitaller Order of St. John of God. The Charity Service, according to its motto, holds its most important duty to be the defence of the faith and assistance to the poor.

It has unique international as well as domestic experiences. Its role is accepted and recognized within the widest social circles. Its work is based on three pillars: a section consisting of 150 volunteering groups countrywide, that has over 5000 active furthermore 15,000 mobilizable helpers, the frameworks of its various special projects, and a social system that embraces over 200 social and healthcare institutes and services. The Charity Service is the initiator and introducer of various pilot programs, is the implementer of various big European Union projects, furthermore it also serves as the professional basis of a number of methodological issues. Another fundamental principle of its functioning is the fact, that by continuously observing the actual domestic or local needs, it effectively responds to the challenges of poverty and the indigence by closely cooperating in partnership with the central and local governmental bodies, as well as with other social and healthcare service-providers.

By effectively organizing the activities of its members, volunteers and workers, the Hungarian Maltese Charity Service helps the indigents and the needy in the satisfaction of their needs deriving from their fundamental human rights as recognized within the Hungarian legal system by collecting donations, and distributing them.

With the reasonable utilization of the available resources - regardless of ethnic origin, race, nationality, religious or political beliefs -, it provides support by taking the measure of indigence into consideration.



Country-wide Network of the Hungarian Maltse Charity Service

*”We have it - he shouted - it’s here!
How much do we have already? We cannot even bear to read it!
One-two-three-four-five... Five!
Only two more is needed.
Two pennies, what’s that, that’s nothing.
Wherever there is five, there are two more to be found”.*

(Zsigmond Móricz: Seven Pennies)

Within the frameworks of its annual series of campaigns, the Hungarian Maltese Charity Service announced a collection-campaign for the period of the 8th till the 29th of February under the label „Built out of tiny pieces”, collecting the soon-to-be-withdrawn 1 and 2 label coins.

The HMCS wishes to mark the scope of its beneficiaries by helping the most indigent families in an adequate, concrete, visible and traceable way. HMCS has a detailed and well-worked-out methodological plan for this aim. Hungarian Maltese Charity Service not only wishes to raise funds as a means of its project, but also wishes to call exclusive attention to the given target group. It wishes to convey the positive message, that there is a chance of raising the marginalized by cooperation, and that there is a potential for action and good will for this aim within the Hungarian society. With this cooperation the future can truly be built out of tiny pieces, even for the most indigent individuals.



The primary element of this project is located in Budapest, at the most central point of WestEnd City Center. HMCH wishes to collect the 1 and 2 label coins into a Hungary-shaped collector place, with a surface of 60 m², placed on a podium. Further points of the campaign embrace over 350 Maltese sites countrywide. Numerous public institutes, companies, as well as private individuals have joined the initiative of the Hungarian Maltese Charity Service.



***Let's put our small change together for the neediest!
We are looking forward to meet our willing donors
at the points of the Hungarian Maltese Charity Service in Budapest, in
the whole country, as well as in the West End!***

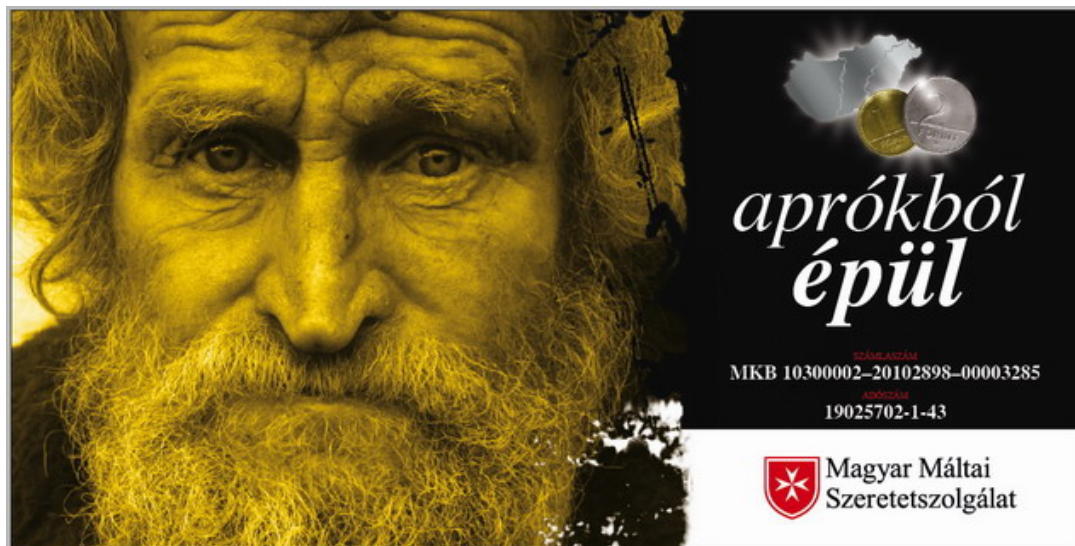


As a consequence of the economic transformation in Hungary many families who have lived until then in honourable poverty, got into the state of crisis due to the burdens they cannot deal with any longer. In many cases these families would need only a few ten or hundred thousands of forints, so that they don't become the subjects and the victims of tragedies. The Charity Service together with the families senses that the coldness, the unheated homes and insufficient clothing all constitute a serious source of danger for these families and their children.

Though another kind of coldness, a cooling down, a kind of alienation, that the most vulnerable groups of society – the poor, the disabled and the abandoned - and together with them also we can experience -, constitutes a similarly serious source of danger.

The Hungarian Maltese Charity Service through its daily activities increasingly senses that the most needy people move downwards in the boundary situations of life, and according to its possibilities and with its proper means it tries to help those in its field of view in the most appropriate way. In this recent winter period with the help of our supporters we could help several dozens of such families to get a hold and regain their strength to continue their life in a less peripheral way.





With its campaign series during this year, the Charity Service wishes to convey the message that the members of Hungarian society are able to pay attention to each other, to hold together and to manifest their solidarity to the most needy, and to bring about warmth – in a real and in a figurative sense - again to the homes and to our common home, Hungary.

In our campaign of 1 and 2 forint coins we ask our partners – companies, institutions and individuals – to give their 1 and 2 forint coins being withdrawn by the National Bank of Hungary at the end of February to the families suffering from all this kind of coldness through the national network of the Hungarian Maltese Charity Service. People can do this at the nearly 350 Maltese points in the whole country, as well as at our partners constantly joining in our campaign. With the strength of social cohesion we undertake in the next year to reach the families getting in our field of view, that live in ultimate danger, for whom this minimal help means life.

„Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully...

God is able to make every grace abundant for you, so that in all things, always having all you

need, you may have an abundance for every good work:

He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.

The one who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed and increase the harvest of your righteousness”

(The second apostolic letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians)