

English Translation of Attachments to 2010 Annual Report

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LIST OF DONATIONS

OF DONATIONS RECEIVED FROM MR. RICHARD FIELD

DECEMBER 1, 2009 – DECEMBER 31, 2010

	Food packs (pcs)	and food handouts (HUF)	Weekend travel food packs for 13 people and food handouts at school Gát and Lenhossék streets 220 persons/children (HUF)	52 people/month Only weekend traveling food packs (HUF)	Other support (E.g. first aid competition) (HUF)	Support Total (HUF)
December 2009	125 pcs	250,000	900,000	-----	-----	1,150,000
Quarter I, 2010	180 pcs	180,000	3,450,000	421,200	25,530 HUF first aid competition	4,076,730
Quarter II, 2010	167 pcs	167,000	2,875,000	421,200	100,000 HUF (Red Cross Day, food for volunteers)	3,563,200
Quarter III, 2010	60 pcs	60,000	920,000	421,200	-----	1,401,200
Quarter IV, 2010	180 pcs	180,000	3,450,000	421,200	-----	4,051,200
TOTAL	712 pcs	837,000	11,595,000	1,684,800	125,530	14,242,330

Mr. Richard Field has been supporting our district for thirteen months:

1. His regular support consists of 60 food packs per month, which include:

Durable food products (flour, sugar, rice, oil, pasta, farina, milk, lentils, bread, beans and canned meat).

The 60 food packs per month has been distributed among **the poorest families of the district**. This means very much for the families, because **previously we had only been able to give them food packs twice a year**.

Mr. Field's support so far: He has purchased **712 food packs (about 6.000 kgs of food)** for us and delivered it to our office in his own vehicle, **taking all burdens off our shoulders, so we only had to hand out the food packs**.

2. Our school morning snack program has been operating for thirteen months.

For 110 socially needy children in two primary schools (Gát street and Lenhossék street).

We continued the distribution of weekend travel food packs throughout the summer for the 13 families/children most in need.

In the two schools we hand out a total of 5,000 morning snack sandwiches each month.

One piece costs **HUF 230**, the value of this donation is **HUF 1,150,000 / month**.

The Gát street school did not require Red Cross assistance in the preparation of the sandwiches, but at the **Lenhossék street school** two Red Cross volunteers prepare the fresh sandwiches for the children every day between 8:00 and 10:30 am.

FOR 1 CHILD:

2 sandwiches (rye bread, margarine, ham, cheese, tomato, cucumber)

1 fruit (orange, pear, apple, banana in turns)

AMOUNT OF FOOD CONSUMED AT THE SCHOOLS PER DAY:

4-5 kgs of cheese, 4-5 kgs of ham or cold cuts, 4 boxes of margarine, 18 packs of sliced rye bread, 3-5 kgs of green pepper, cucumber or tomatoes, 20-25 kgs of fruit (pear, apple, banana, etc.)

During the thirteen months (excluding of course the summer vacation), there were 210 schooldays.

- food, cheese, ham, margarine, bread **total: 5,670 kg**

- green pepper, tomatoes, cucumber for the sandwiches plus one fruit **total: 5,880 kg**

3. Contents of the weekend travel food pack: 1 pack of rye bread, 1 kg of cheese, 1 kg of ham, 1 box of margarine, 1 kg of fruit, 1 bottle of fruit juice.

WEEKEND TRAVEL FOOD PACK FOR CHILDREN (52 PERSONS/MONTH)

On Fridays we make weekend snack packages for **13-15 children** (based on a name list provided by the school)

Contents: 1 pack of rye bread, 1 kg of cheese, 1 kg of ham, 1 box of margarine, 1 kg of fruit, 1 bottle of fruit juice.

Number of travel packs donated so far: 676

total: 4,056 kgs of assorted food

Donation		Kilograms
Food pack	712 pcs	6,000
Materials for school morning snack sandwiches 220 children / day	210 school days x 220 children: 4,620 portions	5,670 + 5,880 = 11,550
Weekend travel food packs	676 persons/families	4,056
Total (13 months):		21,606

Our district branch has received and used **21,606 kgs of food donations (durable food and fruit)** during the thirteen months.

The value of this donation is **HUF 14,242,330**.

This donation does not include other costs incurred (e.g. delivery), which is a substantial extra amount.

This donation gave us the opportunity to support **several hundred families and children in need** during the year.

We express our gratitude and respect for this donation and the enormous amount of work it involved on behalf of the socially disadvantaged families.

Budapest, 13 January 2011.

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Budapest, 13 January 2011

To Mr. Richard Field, President, AMERICAN HOUSE FOUNDATION

Thank you for continuously helping our Daytime Social Center with your donations. Thanks to your generosity, we have been able to help our homeless clients with the food and clothes listed below:

Food:

Various sorts of fruit (apples, pears, oranges, peaches)
Vegetables (cucumber, green pepper, tomatoes)
Cold cuts
Cottage cheese
Cheese
Sour cream
Bread
Croissant

Clothes:

Pullovers
Trousers
Coats
Shoes
Socks
Sleeping bags

The food donations have helped us provide our clients with a more nutritive diet, improve their quality of life; the per capita allowance received from the state would not allow us to buy this amount of quality food. For breakfast, we hand out 60-70 portions of croissant or bread and fruit, and during crisis periods, our staff also serve hot tea.

At lunch we serve the cheese and sour cream to supplement the 180 portions of hot meal our kitchen prepares. In the afternoon we hand out 120 portions of sandwiches and fruit that vary all the time. We serve sandwiches filled with cottage cheese spread, cold cuts, liver pâté or cheese and cucumber, green pepper or tomato.

The shoes, socks, trousers, pullovers and coats we received have helped our clients improve their chances of being employed.

The street social workers at Keleti Railway Station and its underpass system help 20-30 clients with the donated bread, butter, fruit, sandwiches and hot tea.

The clothes, shoes and sleeping bags are also very important for the people living in the streets.

The donations handed out improve the chances of survival of the people living in the streets.

During the year 2010 we received HUF 6,330,310 worth of donations.

Once again, we are very grateful for the help of the foundation.

We hope that we can also rely on your help in the future, and so we will be able to help 240 to 360 clients every day.

Best Regards

Niemer Istvnn
Director

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January 11, 2011

American House Foundation

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Our institute contacted the donator through the district branch of Red Cross. The support activity commenced on December 7, 2009. The support was aimed at improving the nutrition of the socially disadvantaged children of the district.

The program provides 160 children with plenty of nutritious food every day, and each week three families receive food packs which ensures food for the family at the weekend.

During the one year since the program started, we have observed the following clearly positive results. At the start we faced the difficulty that quality food (ham, tomatoes, green pepper, and oranges every day) had been unknown to the children; however they soon got to like it and now they want them.

As a result of this, we have seen significant improvement in our children's:

Physical condition

Everyone has gained weight

Absenteeism has significantly decreased (there are other factors, of course)

The children are more resistant to diseases (absenteeism decreases)

Performance improvement of several percent in almost each subject

The attention focus of children has improved and they are more well-balanced

Their memory has greatly improved over the last year.

I believe that beside many other factors we can firmly state that the regular and well-balanced diet (nobody is ever hungry in our institute) has significantly contributed to the changes we have seen.

With thanks,

Sándor Tőkés

Director

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To Mr. Richard Field

Dear Sir,

On behalf of my colleagues, students and their families, I would like to thank you for the opportunity you have been providing for all our children as well as for ten families in need every week.

- a) Every morning each child can have a sandwich that meets all the requirements of a modern diet, containing cold cuts, cheese, green pepper, tomatoes and cucumber. This is supplemented by a seasonal fruit.

Thanks to your donation, there are no hungry children at our school, and, what we are happy to see, our children are more relaxed and better able to concentrate, so the morning snack has a positive impact on their behavior and academic performance.

- b) Thanks to you, we can send ten families (in turns) a substantial food pack every Friday, which, if portioned well, feeds a big family for a few days. This is fantastic help for those in need, for which they are very grateful.

We would like to thank you, your colleagues and the 9th District branch of Red Cross for providing the fruit and the raw materials for the sandwiches and the Friday food packs, which makes it possible for us to provide for the children and the families. A special thanks for being open to all of our requests.

I wish all needy children and families received such a donation.

Yours sincerely,

Márta Zibolen
Principal

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To Mr. Richard Field, President

January 11, 2011

Dear Mr. President,

On behalf of the parent community, students and staff of the Sacred Crown Primary School and Kindergarten, I would like to extend my gratitude to the Foundation for donating food to our institute. The donation is utilized in the following manner.

The kitchen staff start making the sandwiches at 7 am, of which every child can have as many as they want and eat them in a nice environment between 7:30 and 10:30 (when lunch is delivered). Beside the sandwiches, the sliced vegetables (green pepper, tomatoes, and cucumber) and fruit are also made available. The staff make more food when stocks are running out. Whatever was not consumed in the morning will supplement the afternoon snack.

Besides providing for the daily consumption, we have also been able to invite for a snack students from other schools taking part at sports events and academic competitions organized in our school.

Yours sincerely,

Gressó Tiborné
Principal

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Letter of thanks

January 13, 2011

In January 2010 Mr. Richard Field, President of the American House Foundation, visited our shelter. We made a tour of the Red Cross Temporary Shelters for Families, and after that, in a long conversation, Mr. Field was informed about the social work going on in these homes. We talked about our difficulties, the lack of opportunities to leave the shelter, the difficult circumstances of the families and unemployment. I came to know Mr. Field as someone who is sympathetic with the problems of the social sphere and looks for solutions. Over the last year (through several personal meetings) we have been in an ongoing helping relationship, which includes the provision of food and other needs of children (clothes, diapers and toiletries), the replacement of the furniture of our storeroom and of the children's playroom, and the organization of a professional program.

With the program "We Give One Forint for Each Forint Saved" (up to HUF 200,000) the Foundation helps cover the cost of leaving the shelter. All but one of those families who have participated in this program (4 families so far), are still living in the apartment they are renting and are able to pay for it. Unfortunately, towards the end of the year, we saw that the families need their whole income to make ends meet and have nothing left to save. Now only 3 out of 27 families have savings. For the families living at the Temporary Shelter for Families, the only way to break out is through studying and work. As a result of our ongoing professional cooperation with the Foundation, we were able to give the talented son of a single mother financial help to pass his school-leaving exams and obtain a language certificate.

I would like to thank the American House Foundation, and especially Mr. Richard Field, for their support. I hope you will continue to find our shelters worthy of your generous help.

I wish you good health and a lot of success for your work in the future!

Éva Moszt

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To: American House Foundation

January 13, 2011

Report

The Bihari Street Social Institute of the Hungarian Red Cross operates as an integrated institution. The institution consists of a daytime shelter, a free meal kitchen and four street services. About 200 homeless people visit the daytime shelter and use its services each day, the free meal kitchen provides a hot meal for 250 people and the four street care services provide 20 homeless per shift with blankets, clothes, sandwiches, tea, medicine and social and mental care.

We have received food donations from the American House Foundation since August 2, 2010. So far we have received 11,523 pcs of food worth HUF 391,536.

The food donations enable us to make the diet of the homeless more nutritive.

Figure 1. A morning sandwich, and homeless people lining up for breakfast

Food is delivered every Monday and Thursday. We have always received all the food, fruit and vegetables listed on the delivery invoice.

Thanks to the donations of American House we can provide our clients with three meals every day: breakfast, a hot plate of food for lunch and an afternoon snack.

For many homeless people this is the only source of food, and the food donation helps us more or less cover their daily calorie, energy and vitamin intake.

Hereby we would like to express our gratitude for the highly effective help and humane helpfulness, and we hope we can continue to rely on your support.

Katalin Benda
Head of Institute

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Budapest, January 10, 2011

REPORT
ON THE FOOD DONATION PROGRAM
OF THE AMERICAN HOUSE FOUNDATION

In our institute for the homeless in Csepel, we operate a night shelter for 110 people, a daytime warm shelter for 50 people and a street care service helping more than 100 people. The economic problems of the past few years have brought about the decline of available resources; therefore we operate on a tight budget, only capable of providing for the most basic human needs. We hand out bread and margarine or lard and tea for breakfast in the warm shelter and for supper in the night shelter. For the people living in the streets we deliver bread and canned liver pâté, plus hot tea in winter. In December 2009, the American House Foundation offered their help to supplement our clients' diet with cold cuts, cheese, vegetables and fruit. We were happy to accept this offer, the cheese, cold cuts, wholemeal sandwich bread, cucumber, tomatoes, green pepper and fruit, which was delivered by the staff of the foundation themselves. We could hardly store the first shipment of food in the small kitchen, and we had to install a separate fridge so we can store the fresh food for the rest of the week. With the second shipment we also received some kitchen equipment, a slicer and a grater, to properly process the cold cuts and cheese. For the effective handout of the food we designed a system which allows us to provide for as many people as possible each day of the week. For breakfast we give our clients sliced bread, cheese, cold cuts and vegetables, and for lunch we hand out fruit in the warm shelter; the street service gives the clients in the streets seasonal fruit. The quality and quantity of the food donated is excellent, the homeless are visibly happy to eat the balanced and healthy breakfast, and at lunch all the fruit gets eaten. In wintertime, tomatoes, green pepper and cucumber are not common even in the average Hungarian household, and would be absolutely unimaginable for us to provide from our tight per capita budget. However, the sufficient natural vitamin and calorie intake is especially important for the homeless who usually suffer from bad health and chronic diseases. The greatest value of the valuable food donation of the American House Foundation is the fact that it is regular and that their support has been provided continuously and reliably for over a year. Thus it has become part of our care system, significantly raising the quality of our service.

József Erdei
Head of Institute

**APPENDIX
PHOTOS OF THE FOOD SUPPORT PROGRAM OF THE AMERICAN HOUSE FOUNDATION**

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Jászberény, January 13, 2011

„Food for Children (Gyerekszáj) Program" – Food donations in Jászság 2010.

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Partners:

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HRC JÁSZ-NAGYKUN-SZOLNOK COUNTY BRANCH, 38 Mária Street, 5000 Szolnok
HRC JNSz COUNTY BRANCH, Jász Area Branch 9 Lehel Square, 5100 Jászberény
The local governments of the settlements involved, HÖN Association, Jászberény

Purpose of donation: to help non-government charity organizations in Central Europe in reducing child poverty and malnutrition.

Place of donation: Hungary, North Plain region, Jász-Nagykun-Szolnok County, Jászberényi Small Area: Jászberény, Jásztelek, Alattyán, Jánoshida, Jászboldogháza, Jászsalsószentgyörgy, Jászladány, Jászkisér, Jászfákóhalma (settlements).

Target group of donation: socially needy large families, with at least 3 children.

Nature of donation: donation in kind, 1 kg of bread and 2 liters of milk every day.

Commencement of donation and the number of families involved:

160 families as of April 20, 2010 and 200 families as of June 8, 2010.

The amount of donation:

As of 4/20/2010, 1120 kgs of bread/week and 2240 liters of milk/week.

As of 6/8/2010, 1400 kgs of bread/week and 2800 liters of milk/week

Experiences in connection with the donation:

Having carried out the preliminary organizational tasks, supporting the charitable goals of the donation, the Hungarian Red Cross ensures the safe, hygienic storage and distribution of the food.

The beneficiary families were selected with the help of the social departments of the local governments and the Family Support and Child Welfare Service, with whom we have had working contact ever since.

The selection and replacement of families were based on the following factors:

- number of children in the family
- single parent without alimony
- permanently ill child in the family
- an ill or permanently disabled parent in the family
- parents unemployed

Number of beneficiary families by settlement between 4/20/2010 and 6/7/2010

Alattyán:	18
Jászfákóhalma:	17
Jánoshida:	18
Jászalsószentgyörgy:	18
Jásztelek:	18
Jáskisér:	20
Jászladány:	20
Jászboldogháza:	18
Jászberény:	13

total: 160 families

Number of beneficiary families by settlement between 6/8/2010 and 12/31/2010

Alattyán:	23
Jászfákóhalma:	22
Jánoshida:	23
Jászalsószentgyörgy:	23
Jásztelek:	22
Jáskisér:	25
Jászladány:	24
Jászboldogháza:	22
Jászberény:	16

total: 200 families

Replacement of beneficiary families between 4/20/2010 and 12/31/2010

Alattyán:	Moved away	1 family
	No cooperation	1 family
	Became employed	5 families
	Got in crisis situation	1 family
Jánoshida:	Moved away	3 families
	No cooperation	3 families
	Went to crisis shelter	1 family
Jászboldogháza:	Gave up the donation	1 family
Jászalsószentgyörgy:	Moved away	1 family
	No cooperation	1 family
	Got in crisis situation	1 family
Jászladány:	Custodian action taken	1 family
Jáskisér:	Custodian action taken	1 family
	Gave up the donation	1 family
	Got in crisis situation	1 family
Jászberény:	Moved away	1 family
	No cooperation	1 family
	Ceased to be a large family	1 family

In Jásztelek and Jászfákóhalma there was no replacement during the above period.

The number of children per family is between 9 and 2 in these settlements.
A typical family has 3-4 children.

The milk and bread received means a saving of HUF 15,000 per month for each family, which they can spend on other type of food, clothes or firewood in winter.

The beneficiaries are grateful for the donations. This extraordinary support is a great help for the children and their families in making ends meet. We see development in the physical and mental condition of the children.

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Jászkisér, 1 January, 2010

The evaluation of the donations of the American House Foundation

The American House Foundation, in cooperation with the Hungarian Red Cross Jászberény Area Branch, has provided food donations for the 25 poorest families of Jászkisér in the "Food for Children" (Gyermekszáj) program. The donation consists of 7 kgs of bread and 14 liters of milk per week. At the very least this means a support worth HUF 15,000 per month, which totals over HUF 5 million per year.

The statistics below show the difficult situation of the families:

Family No.	Economic status of parent 1	Economic status of parent 2	Number of children
1	Maternity benefit	Unemployed without benefits	3
2	Maternity benefit	Wage substitute allowance	3
3	Maternity benefit	Unemployed without benefits	7
4	Maternity benefit	Jobseeker's allowance	3
5	Maternity benefit	Unemployed without benefits	3
6	Maternity benefit	Permanently disabled	5
7	Maternity benefit	Jobseeker's allowance	6
8	Maternity benefit	Unemployed without benefits	3
9	Maternity benefit	Unemployed without benefits	3
10	No benefit received	-	3
11	Jobseeker's allowance	-	3
12	Maternity benefit	-	5
13	Maternity benefit	Jobseeker's allowance	4
14	Maternity benefit	Jobseeker's allowance	4
15	Wage substitute allowance	Unemployed without benefits	3
16	Wage substitute allowance	Unemployed without benefits	4
17	Maternity benefit	Regular social welfare allowance	5
18	Maternity benefit	Jobseeker's allowance	5
19	Maternity benefit	Wage substitute allowance	7
20	Maternity benefit	Unemployed without benefits	5
21	Maternity benefit	Jobseeker's allowance	6
22	Maternity benefit	Unemployed without benefits	6
23	Wage substitute allowance	Unemployed without benefits	3
24	Maternity benefit	Jobseeker's allowance	4
25	Maternity benefit	Jobseeker's allowance	4

Wage substitute allowance: an allowance of HUF 28,500 per month paid by the local government to one parent only.

Jobseeker's allowance: an allowance of HUF 31,200 (gross) per month paid by the Employment Agency, subject to 10% pension contribution, leaving a net HUF 28,080.

Maternity benefit : an allowance of HUF 28,500 paid by the Hungarian State Treasury, subject to 10% pension contribution, leaving a net HUF 25,650.

Family allowance: an allowance of HUF 16,000 per child living in a family and HUF 17,000 per children with single parents.

Unemployed without benefits: The reason for this is not necessarily the person's own fault, since local government allowance can be extended to only one parent. Another reason can be that the person was not employed for 200 days in 2010, which is required to be eligible for the Jobseeker's allowance. A further reason can be what several beneficiaries have said, namely that although their employers registered them as part-time employees, after a while the employers terminated their registration without informing them about it.

The circumstances of the beneficiaries were reviewed in 2011, and it was concluded that in none of these families could at least one parent be employed. Their situation has even worsened since last year. In 2010, the local government employed eight parents from these families, but it has no budget to continue their employment in 2011.

Jászkisér is a very unfavorably located town, which makes it impossible for the inhabitants to commute to work. The refrigerator factory and other companies in Jászberény primarily employ people from Jászberény. The local businesses can only provide seasonal employment, usually from April to November, so there seems to be no chance for the improvement of the employment situation in our town.

The municipal budget in 2011 is again lower than before, the community employment budget in 2011 is down to half of last year's budget (42 million from 82 million), which means the average hours worked per day is down from 7.2 hrs to 4.27 hrs, and the average employment period is down from 9 months to 3.47 months.

Over the last two years the living standards of the inhabitants of the town has decreased, and with shrinking community employment, the local government cannot improve the situation of the families. The number of unemployed people receiving local government allowance is now at 270, which will further rise when the jobseeker's allowances paid by the Employment Agency expire.

The donations were an enormous help for the families in 2010, and in 2011, without the donations, their situation would become critical. The support of these families is an extremely valuable help for the local government, since its annual budget for provisional/exceptional child support for the whole population of the town falls behind the monetary value of the donation.

Hereby we would like to express our gratitude to the donating Foundation, wishing success and good health for their work.

Yours faithfully,

László Hajdú

Mayor

Report on the FOOD FOR CHILDREN (GYEREKSZÁJ) Program

Jászalsószentgörgy, January 13, 2011

In our village the program started on April 20, 2010, with 18 families. Seven families have four children, three families have five, and the other families have 3 children.

The beneficiaries can only be large families, so the main factor at the selection of the families was their multiply disadvantaged status. Selection was carried out in team work with mother and child nurses, the family care and guardianship professionals and the director of the Old People's Home. In each case reliable information was obtained on the income and social status of the family. All of them were very happy about the donations; as they relate, since they do not need to spend on bread and milk they can buy other basic foodstuffs, and at times they can spend more on clothes and firewood. They are very worried that this year the program will not continue or they will be disqualified, because this would make it impossible for them to make ends meet.

In five of the families the parents have divorced and only the mother is there; in the other families only one of the parents are employed, and since community work has ceased, in many families there is no breadwinner.

On 6/8/2010 five new beneficiary families entered the program, with a total of 23 families receiving donations at present.

At the beginning of the program there was considerable difficulty: the beneficiaries did not make it in time, were often late, they had to be contacted by telephone. Today there are only one or two notorious latecomers, if someone knows they cannot make it on time, they give prior notice.

Two families quit the program; one of them moved away from the village, in the other family the single mother with three children was ashamed to get the donation in person. No misuse has been officially reported.

We would like to have more families in the program, since there are more and more families with a bleak outlook, even if this would mean smaller portions being handed out. We believe this is a great help for the families, because nearly all of them live from hand to mouth. Thanks to the program their circumstances have improved, the children certainly do not starve. We know this because many parents come with their children, who tell us that they eat cream of wheat, pancakes, and bread and butter and drink hot chocolate. When visiting families we also see that the families consume the food they receive.

Hereby we wish to say thank you, on behalf of the 23 families, to Mr. Richard Field for extending a helping hand and giving hope to the needy families of our village.

Tünde Zsoldiné Gonda

Erika Palotainé Kormos

Red Cross volunteers

(Translator's note: The following are translation of letters written by hand.)

1/14/2011

Dear Donor,

My name is Pál Duka, I live in Jászkisér. I have been unemployed since 12/15/2010. My monthly allowance will be HUF 25,650, which I will only receive in February. I have been raising my children as a single parent for two years on the family allowance and the income that will be established for me. My dear mother helped me until her death in November. We are in a very difficult situation because there is no one to ask for help. The local government has been able to help me with work, but that is now very uncertain. If it wasn't for this milk and bread, we would certainly starve to death. This is a great help, which I thank you.

Pál Duka

Dear Donor,

I am very satisfied with the pack you send us, since my children like milk and this way I can save a lot of money. This way I can make them the milk dished they like, e.g. cream of wheat, rice pudding and vegetable stews. Thank you for your help so far. I hope I can continue to give my children dishes made with milk and fresh bread.

(Illegible signature)

Dear Donor,

We have been receiving the bread and the milk since last June. I find this very good, since many families cannot provide their children this amount of milk and bread. This is a great help for us, since from last January until November we only had my husband's salary and the family benefit to live on, since then I have been on maternity allowance. It is good to have this amount of milk, because we would not have been able to provide this amount for the family. The children really like rice pudding, cream of wheat, vegetables and hot chocolate. Whatever we do not eat, we use for making sweets like pudding or rice soufflé. We cannot save money, but this way we can provide them sufficient milk, bread and vitamins.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to receive this donation. It is so good that such good people still exist.

Yours sincerely,

Pallagi Kálmánné

I have been in the "Food for Children" program since June 2010, by which I receive the bread and the milk.

This is great help for me. I can make various quick and tasty dishes for my three small children. E.g. chocolate drink, cream of wheat, rice pudding, pudding, vegetables, doughnuts and milk bread.

This way, by not having to spend on bread and milk, which I would need to buy every day if I didn't get it, I can save this amount and buy fruit for my children.

Thank you for the help so far.

Vadász Béláné