2005 Grantees

Caritas for Children

\$5.000

Given to assist Caritas' support of Little Servant Sisters of the Immaculate Conception that provides aid to orphanages in Poland. Caritas provides assistance to the poor and the vulnerable on behalf of a billion of Catholics around the world. Caritas works on humanitarian emergencies, on human development, and on campaigning against poverty, exclusion, intolerance and discrimination.

Women's Leadership Development, Poland

\$5,000

Grant awarded to enable a female student from Poland to contribute to women's and children's concerns in her home country related to issues of conflict, security, human rights and the protection of children's rights.

End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes (ECPAT)

\$5,000

Grant awarded to further ECPAT's follow-up work of the World Congress on Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children. ECPAT International is a global network of organizations and individuals working together for the elimination of child prostitution, child pornography and the trafficking of children for sexual purposes.

The Women's Rights Center in Warsaw, Poland

\$5.000

Grant awarded to support the Center's advocating the inclusion of a gender perspective in laws. The Women's Rights Center, established in 1994, fosters the recognition of women's rights as human rights and educates society about discrimination and violence against women.

United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF)

\$5,000

Grant awarded to support UNICEF's work related to the protection and development of children, especially in Central and Eastern Europe.

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) was created by the United Nations General Assembly in 1946, to provide emergency food and healthcare to children in countries that had been devastated by World War II. In 1953, UNICEF became a permanent part of the United Nations System. Headquartered in New York City, UNICEF provides long-term humanitarian and developmental assistance to children and mothers in developing countries.

United Nations Develop Fund for Women (UNIFEM)

\$5,000

Grant provided to support UNIFEM's continuing work on eliminating violence against women and girls, especially in Central and Eastern Europe. UNIFEM is the women's fund at the United Nations. It provides financial and technical assistance to innovative programs and strategies to foster women's empowerment and gender equality.

FaithTrust Institute

\$5.000

Grant provided to support FaithTrust's work as an international, multi-faith organization working to end sexual and domestic violence by providing communities and advocates with tools and knowledge needed to address the religious and cultural issues related to abuse. FaithTrust Institute is an organization of women and men from many faith traditions, cultures, and racial groups committed to the equality of women and men and the empowerment of women, youth and children.

Friends of Poland

\$1.000

Grant provided to support Friends of Poland's initiative to help individuals lacking healthcare by donating medical books, medical equipment, x-ray machines and operating equipment. Friends of Poland an all volunteer non-profit founded in 1982, to provide medical and educational assistance to Poland.

Urgent Action Fund

\$5.000

Grant given to support the Urgent Action Fund's work related to Central and Eastern Europe in eliminating violence against women and girls in situations of armed conflict. Urgent Action Fund supports Women's Rights defenders striving to create cultures of Justice, Equality and Peace.

End Child Prostitution, Child Pornography and Trafficking of Children for Sexual Purposes (ECPAT), USA

\$5,000

Grant given to support EPCAT's work to prevent international criminals from bringing children into the U.S. for purposes of sexual exploitation. ECPAT is a global network of organizations and individuals working together to eliminate child prostitution, child pornography and the trafficking of children for sexual purposes.