

ANNUAL REPORT 2024



JRS EUROPE

THE MISSION OF JRS IN EUROPE

Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) is an international Catholic organisation with a mission to accompany, serve and advocate for the rights of refugees and others who are forcibly displaced.

THANKS TO OUR PARTNERS

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-OUR TEAM

800

Staff, a team of professionals committed to the mission.

6.900

A group of volunteers who are passionate about the mission of JRS.

198.000

People Served in 2024



€29.2 milion

Money invested in 2024



241

Locations where we operate across the continent.



23

Countries where we are present across the continent



To Accompany



Change Environment! Climate Change & Migration



This transnational education project connected **204** schools across **7 countries** (Spain, Italy, Hungary, Belgium, Ireland, Uganda, Lebanon), reaching **7,671** students and **312** teachers. It addressed the links between climate change and migration through a **4-stage curriculum** (available in 7 languages) supported by video and teacher guides.







19 schools engaged in international exchanges with Uganda and Malta.



28 ambassadors from 5 EU countries presented their work at the final conference in Brussels







Together for Change



Co-funded by the European Union

This is a school-based initiative, active in **8 European countries** (Belgium, Spain, Greece, Croatia, Hungary, Italy, Serbia, Portugal). It fosters **student civic engagement** and **migrant integration** through collaborative action in schools and communities. Migrant-led organizations play a central role in shaping and implementing the project.



6-stage curriculum developed for ages 12-15 and 16-19, covering critical thinking, empathy and civic action



Curriculum available in 10 different language



107 migrants from 37 nationalities completed leadership training in storytelling, public speaking, and community engagement, preparing them to co-lead school activities.



To Serve

One Proposal - Ukraine Crisis Response

This project is the Society of Jesus' coordinated humanitarian response to the Ukraine crisis, led by **JRS Europe and the Xavier Network**, together with local and international Jesuit partners. Launched in 2022, the initiative was created to address the **immediate needs** of those displaced by the war, while simultaneously working on their **long-term integration** into host societies. It remains one of the largest multi-country responses ever coordinated by JRS Europe.

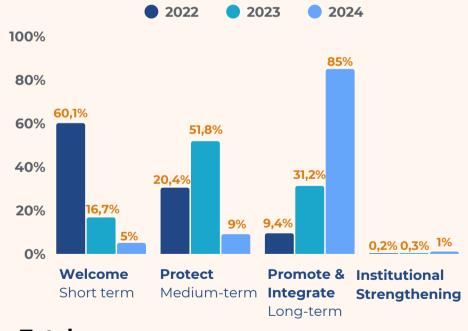
Present in **Ukraine, Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, Romania, Moldova**, and other parts of Europe, the project is rooted in the Jesuit mission to **serve the most vulnerable**—particularly women, children, and the elderly, who represent the majority of the over **127,700 individuals assisted** as of the end of 2024.

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Activities overview



Total: 612.590 activities sorted by the number of people served expressed in percentage.

Financial overview



Expenditure:

2024: €2.892.649,23 **3-years:** €10.239.492,71



To advocate



Dear European Parliament

Ahead of the 2024 European Parliament elections, we launched the "Dear European Parliament" campaign to inspire young people—especially first-time voters—to engage in democratic life and reflect on the impact EU policies have on migrants and refugees.

Running across four countries (Belgium, Spain, Romania, and Poland), the digital campaign combined short videos, youth dialogues, and social media outreach, focusing on themes such as detention, reception, and protection.

Reached over **3.6 million people**



Over **2,000** redirected to voter engagement platforms like together.eu.



Detention under the spotlight

In 2024, we concluded our first multiyear effort to challenge immigration detention practices across Europe. With 14 country offices involved, and weekly visits by over 100 staff and volunteers, the project offered legal, psychosocial, and pastoral support to around 2,000 detained individuals.



It also generated impactful research, including the report "Detained and Unprotected", highlighting systemic failures in access to justice and legal aid. The Detention Visitors Training held in Malta focused on identifying vulnerabilities in detention, equipping participants with key tools for humane engagement.

By combining data collection, field presence, and local advocacy, the project reaffirmed our commitment to **eliminating detention** and **promoting rights-based alternatives.**



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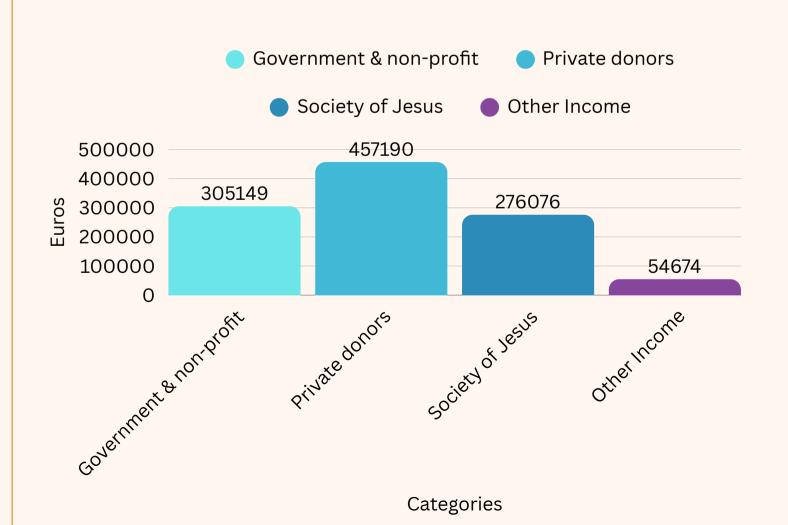




Financial overview

INCOME 2024		
Government & non-profit	305,149,61€	
Private donors	457,190,76€	
Society of Jesus	276,076.00€	
Other income	54,674.36€	
Total	1,093,090.73€	

EXPENDITURE 2024		
Organizational support	56,574.75€	
Advocacy & Communication	51,134.87€	
Programmes	980,266.29€	
Total	1,087,975.91€	

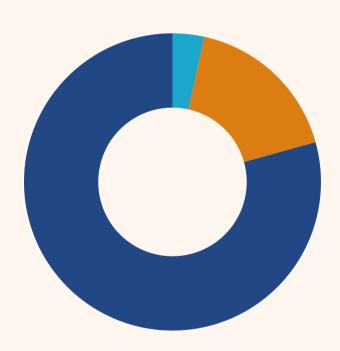






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EXPENDITURE 2024		
Programmes	22,638,794.44€	
Advocacy & Communication	1,016,931.68€	
Organizational support	5,612,998.18€	
Total	29,268,724.30€	



Programmes 77,3%

Advocacy & Communication 19,2%

Organizational support 3,5%



How many people did we Accompany, Serve, and Advocate for?



Education in Emergency Situations 15,930



Mental Health & Psychological Support 12,289



Emergency Aid, Relief & Assistance 11,101





Peace Building and Reconciliation

43,367



Health Care

6,570



Protection& Legal Advice

10,619



Pastoral Code

6,570



Advocacy & Communication

144,537



