

«It will not be possible to heal completely the pain. Yet the fact of walking by with these people means giving them the hope that one day they will be self-sufficient. I'm calling others to help me, come new to continue my work, a long-term commitment. Slowly, we'll make it.».

*\* Cesare Mazzolari*

**Social Report 2017**

**Cesar** 

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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

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*Concesio, aprile 2018*

Dear friends and benefactors,

like every year, the social report give us the opportunity to share achievements, addressed challenges and future orientations.

It is not possible to look back at 2007 without mentioning first the excellent teamwork that, combined with the generosity of donors, has allowed the fundraising to grow and improve by more than 30% compared to the previous year. The attention and care to our supporters have found concrete expression in the sending of updated and informative reports on the development of ongoing initiatives. The enhancement in the use of **paper mail** has allowed us to be closer to the donors, revealing itself as a valuable narrative tool through which to narrate needs, dreams, and actions carried out in the common mission for development.

Although the situation in South Sudan remains highly critical - civil war, food insecurity and extreme poverty do not cease - the collaboration with our local partners continues with the sharing of projects and objectives in favor of the local population. The working team in Italy is in constant contact with the administrative department of the Diocese of Rumbek and the socio-sanitary organization Arkangelo Ali Association to gather the needs and transform them into appropriate development initiatives, even with all the difficulties arising from operating in a country at war and victim of an endemic emergency.

In the course of this year, the Foundation has also taken the first steps towards accreditation with the American organization Rise Against Hunger in order to start a collaboration able to send meals to the South Sudanese families at higher risk of hunger present on the Territory of Rumbek.

In Italy, we wanted to continue to give space to free vocational training initiatives for unemployed people. They are receiving a very positive welcoming, what allow us to start new relationships with communities and institutions in the territory. This is all in line with the "do not leave anyone behind **yourself**" that Bp. Cesare Mazzolari liked so much. In national territory, we have wanted to be present also in schools. We have launched a new edition of the school competition in order to sensitize the younger generations of the change of perspective in hot topics such as migration, inequality and environment. Over these questions, we have collaborated with the national inter-diocesan network Nuovi Stili di Vita, that wants to promote sobriety as the form of attention to the **neighbor**.

We look towards the future with the certainty of the goodness of the work done until now as well as of your support, essential for us to keep the daily mission close to the last on earth.

Mariangela Rossini  
Presidente CESAR Fondazione mons. Cesare Mazzolari Onlus

*Mariangela Rossini*





## WHO ARE WE

Founded in 2000 in Concesio as a secular onlus of coordination of bodies in solidarity with Rumbek (CESAR by the acronym in English), the commitment of Cesar Onlus comes from the human inheritance left by Father Cesare Mazzolari, Comboni missionary and founder of the organization.

Fondazione CESAR Onlus is engaged in international cooperation. It is present in South Sudan to ensure education and health as well as to protect the rights and development of one of the most poor populations in the world.

In addition to the implementation of development projects in South Sudanese land, CESAR also has the Italian territory at heart. It devotes particular attention to the promotion of initiatives for social inclusion, awareness of international solidarity and education to active and responsible citizenship.



## OUR PARTNERS

### Rumbek diocese

The Rumbek Diocese (DOR) is one of the seven catholic dioceses present in South Sudan. It is located at the hearth of the country and covers the Lakes region and the Warrap region in its totality – an area that has about 65000 squared km, the size of Switzerland, were around 5 million people live. It counts with 11 main missions: Rumbek, Marial Lou, Warrap, Tojn, Agangrial, Wulu, Mapuordit, Yirol, Bunagok- Aliap, Cuibet and Barghel.

Built as an Apostolic Vicariate in 1955, its status was risen to the one of diocese in 1974. Guided from 1999 to 2011 by Bp.. Cesare Mazzolari, the diocese is still in lack of a bishop. Waiting for a new appointment, in 2014 was given the task of diocesan coordinator to Father John Mathiang, diocesan priest South Sudanese of the Dinka ethnic group, ordered in 2010 by Bp.. Cesare Mazzolari.

From the administrative point of view, the Rumbek diocese is subdivided in three different departments with headquarters in Nairobi, Kenya:

- Administrative department: coordinates the logistics activities and the financing of the diocese.
- Educational department: manages the school and teachers in the territory.
- Pastoral and development departments: is the reference for human promotion initiatives and mission support.

### Arkangelo Ali Association

The South Sudanese health organization Arkangelo Ali Association has its roots in the Rumbek diocese. The director, Lina Sala, has in fact worked alongside Bp.. Cesare Mazzolari in the nineties, during the opening of the first missions. In the following years, thanks to Bishop Mazzolari, a health department took shape within the diocese for the coordination of health centers and for the diffusion of basic assistance services.

Since 2006 this reality has evolved into the independent Arkangelo Ali Association (AAA), recognized by the South Sudanese government. Directed by Lina Sala and the medical director Callixte Minani, the non-profit organization continues the work started with Father Cesare Mazzolari. Today it manages 14 health centers spread throughout the diocese territory, with 100,000 patients treated every year.

Among the main programs started, we can find the battle against tuberculosis and leprosy, as well as the formation of local people for the provision of increasingly efficient and high quality health care services. In collaboration with CESAR and other international partners, they promote health projects for the treatment of diseases caused by malnutrition. Greater attention is directed to children under 5 years of age and their mothers, for a support aimed not only at the treatment but also at the prevention of some infections aggravated by sanitary conditions that, in some cases, could be improved. The organization employs 300 employees of South Sudan and 40 expatriates (doctors, nurses, laboratory technicians and logisticians). It collaborates closely with the local representation of the South Sudanese Ministry of Health and with other international agencies working in South Sudan a health field.



# CESAR'S FAMILY

## The board of directors

CESAR Fondazione is chaired by Mariangela Rossini who coordinates all activities in a voluntary form and chairs the Board of Directors consisting of 9 members:

- President: Mariangela Rossini
- Vice president: Marco Bertolotto
- Councilor: Maurizio Contolini
- Councilor: Maria Mazzolari
- Councilor: Giuliana Pezzi
- Councilor: Valentina Tamburro
- Councilor: Renato Verona
- Councilor: Evaristo Bodini
- Councilor: Enrico Paliotto

## The operating team

The operational management is divided into 4 areas of expertise:

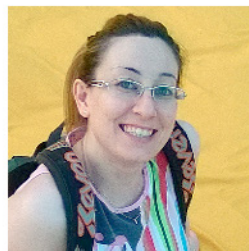
- Secretary
- Administration
- Communication
- Projects

The salaried staff is composed of Claudia Tonoli, Chiara Pea, Laura Zanella and Nicoletta Pollini (all 4 part time). The staff carries out intense volunteer work for the Fondazione together with volunteers active in the territory and support groups located in various parts of Italy.

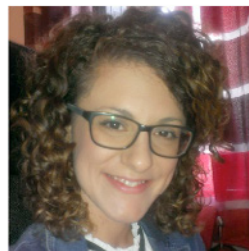
The expatriate staff is congregated by Jonathan Barsby, general administrator of the Rumbek Diocese.



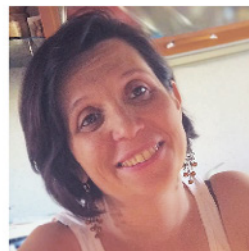
Mariangela Rossini  
*Presidente e Direttore operativo*



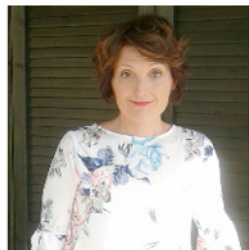
Claudia Tonoli  
*Segreteria e Amministrazione*



Laura Zanella  
*Comunicazione e Project Management*



Chiara Pea  
*Eventi e Botteghe Solidali*



Nicoletta Pollini  
*Iniziative in Italia*



Nadia Righetti  
*Volontaria area segreteria*



Jonathan Barsby  
*Field Project Management*



Enrico De Barbieri  
*Relazioni esterne e rapporti istituzionali*

# THE VOLUNTEERS

The backbone of CESAR is its volunteers. On the territory, our time donors carry out an intense and varied activity, which includes:

- Expanding awareness of the cause
- Stand office in the square events
- Operational support for initiatives and campaigns
- Fundraising
- Search for new collaborations
- Packaging of gift ideas and solidarity favors
- Warawara workshops opening shifts coverage

## WHO ARE THE DONORS OF TIME?

Individual sympathizers, small informal groups, students and entire classes, teachers promoting intra-culture at schools, friendly associations... The "identikit" of our volunteer varies, but their solely goal is to be promoters of CESAR's gift and culture, to network and together achieve as many smiles as possible, in Italy and in South Sudan.

## WHERE DO YOU FIND THEM?

In Brescia and province, but not only. There are 25 support groups that color the map of Italy from north to south. From Trento to Palermo, from Genoa to Verona, from Turin to Rome ... one big family ready to remember that there is more joy in giving!



# WHAT DO WE DO

CESAR Fondazione, together with its partners, is concerned with the needs of South Sudanese children, young people and women. It plans strategies that promote sustainable development over time within their community. It faces enormous challenges - war, hunger, refugees, lack of infrastructure -, engaging every day in initiatives for education, health and human promotion, but also to assist populations in the emergency situations.

Being many working for this mission means, first of all, gaining awareness of the events that are affecting South Sudan which often remain in the shadow of the spotlight and the media. Thanks to the organization of events and the promotion of campaigns and initiatives in solidarity in Italy, with the involvement of schools, through the national contest "A new look to change the world", institutions, companies, CESAR manages to be the voice of those who have not voice. Not only for South Sudan, but also for the weaker sections of Italian society.

During 2017, CESAR, in collaboration with YOUS (center for training and employment accredited by the Lombardy Region), has organized professional courses aimed at unemployed people in the area within the tailoring and catering sector. CESAR Fondazione is also present in the area with two Solidarity Workshops managed by Associazione Amici di Cesar which constitute an additional channel for the spread of information of its solidarity work.

Finally, in Italy, CESAR works with the Interdiocesan Network of Nuovi Stili di Vita: to bring these two realities together, the desire to build a society that is attentive to the needs, respectful of the environment, ready to implement new behaviors and lifestyles, able to foster sustainable and equitable development for all. Themes that are brought together in the streets, in schools, in institutions, with shared initiatives to promote awareness and hospitality.

# INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

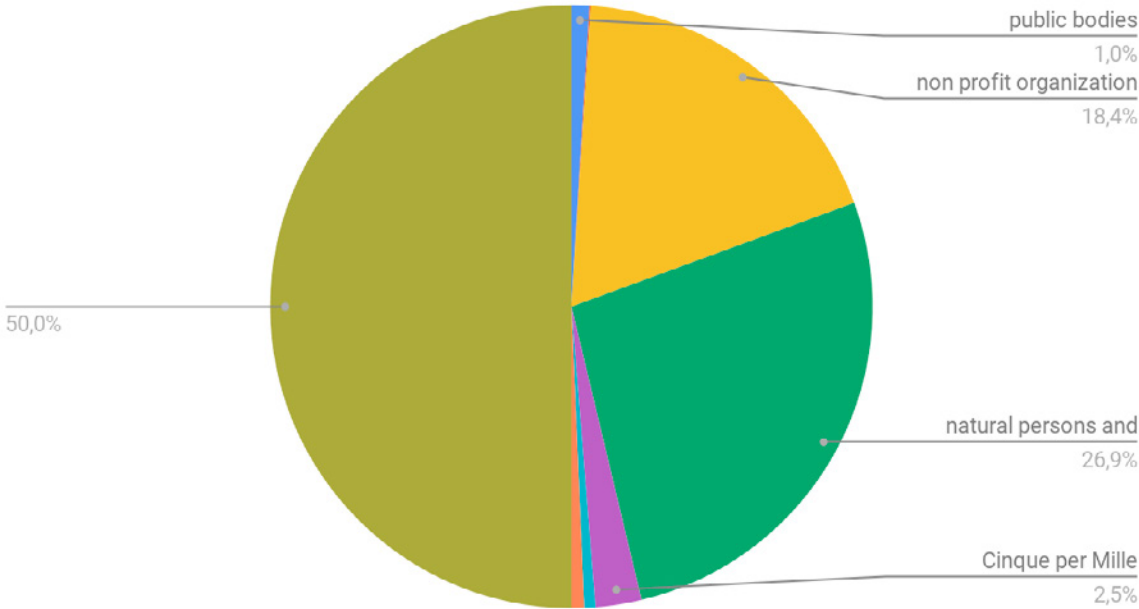
- Embassy of South Sudan in Italy: S.E. sig. ajing Adiang Marik
- Honorary consul of South Africa in Genoa dott. Enrico De Barbieri
- Co.Lomba Cooperazione Lombardia
- Italian Institute of Donations
- Consult for Cooperation and Peace, International Solidarity and Human Rights of the Municipality of Brescia
- SPeRA Consortium of Genova
- Table of Social Policies of the Municipality of Concesio
- Inter diocesan Network Nuovi Stili di Vita

# THE 2017 FUNDRAISING COLLECTION

CESAR Onlus Fondazione is mostly supported by donations from individuals (individuals and small businesses) who follow CESAR's activities annually. These contributions represent a guarantee of independence and allow the Fondazione to intervene immediately in case of emergencies, emergencies that so often occur in a country as fragile as it is tormented as South Sudan.

In the following graph, we present the distribution of the 2017 funds divided on the basis of the different donors who have contributed to support the activities of the CESAR Onlus Fondazione for the year 2017.

Origin of the funds



Donne e istruzione



Formazione adulti



Salute



Cibo sicuro



Agricoltura



Diritti e sviluppo



# THE INTERVENTIONS MADE

There are three areas of intervention on which we focused our energies during 2017 with various international cooperation projects:

**EDUCATION:** at the center of the educational projects there are the students of two excellent training centers present on the territory of the Rumbek diocese. Thanks to the scholarship funds we were able to support the studies of South Sudanese girls under way at the Loreto Girls Secondary School, while it was possible to equip the Cueibet teachers' training center with adequate internet coverage to improve students communication with the outside, but also teaching and learning.

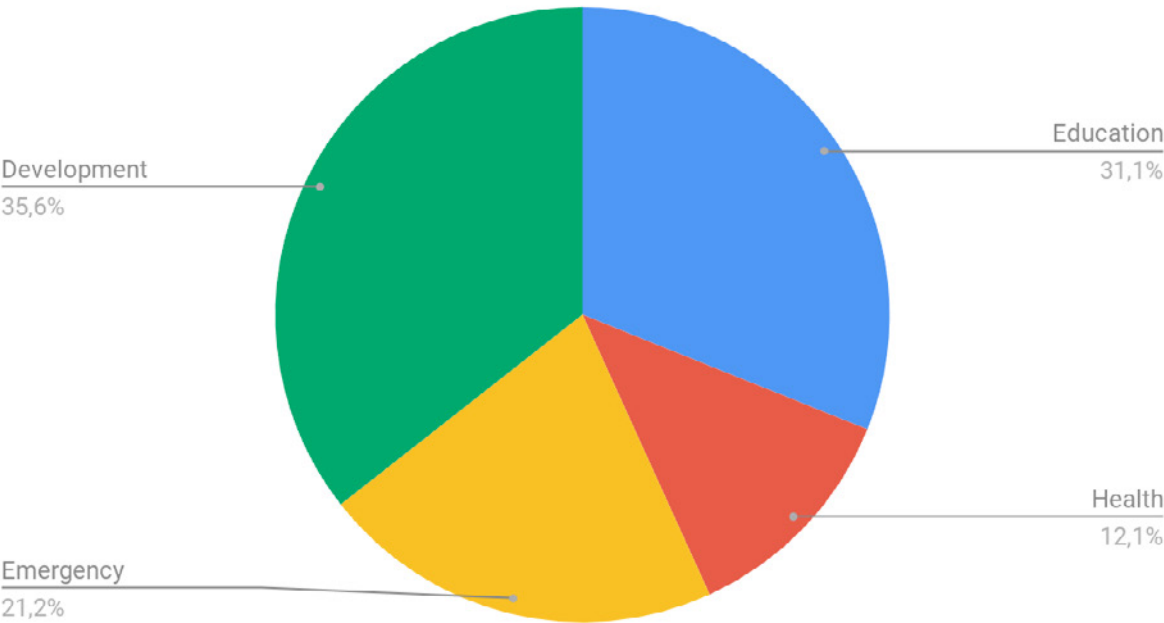
**HEALTH:** it was possible to carry out actions to combat malnutrition that affects infants, children and their mothers, provide care for people suffering from leprosy and provide for their livelihood through small agricultural activities, sometimes even to overcome the social stigma resulting from the disease.

**EMERGENCY AND DEVELOPMENT:** this area includes: the annual support to the missionaries who daily share their lives alongside the population in the 11 missions of the Rumbek diocese; and two initiatives aimed at improving food security throughout the introduction of subsistence farming activities as well as the introduction of spaces used as a canteen to allow the students of the school to receive at least one meal a day.

## In Africa

Intervention Area	Transfer	%
Education	€ 64.097,00	31%
Health	€ 25.000,00	12%
Emergency	€ 43.748,00	21%
Development	€ 73.380,00	36%

Transfers in areas of intervention



## In Italy

On the Italian territory, the positive experience of free vocational training courses continued for unemployed people, with two basic and an advanced cook help courses activated and the involvement of over 70 participants.

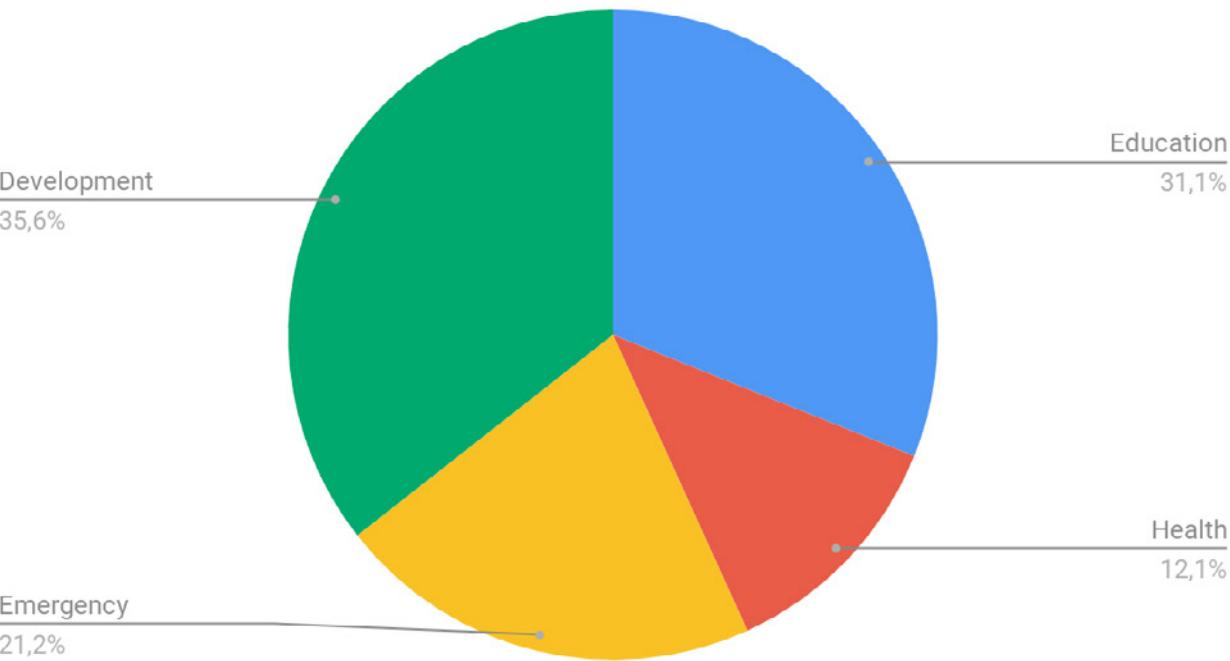
During 2017, the new edition of the School Competition was launched, entitled "A look to change the world", with the aim of involving and sensitizing young generations to the theme of new lifestyles.

Thanks to the partnership with the primary schools of Villa Carcina the after-school "Imparo Giocando" has been activated, aimed at children aged 6 to 11 with the aim of stimulating creativity and socialization, with attention to development education transmitted through experience workshops and games.

After the first year of launching, the missionary exhibition "Persona per gli altri" was hosted in other localities of the Italian territory, contributing to raise awareness of the situation in South Sudan and to raise awareness on the issues of solidarity and development cooperation.

Intervention area	Transfer	%
Social inclusion projects for unemployed people	€ 8.218,00	54%
School Competition 17/18	€ 3.055,00	21%
Cooperativa IL PONTE Villa Carcina	€ 2.500,00	16%
Project EAS Villa Carcina School	€ 918,00	6%
Exhibition "Person for the others"	€ 479,00	3%

Transfers in areas of intervention







## EDUCATIONAL AREA



In our society, the right to education is taken for granted. However, this does not hold for over 70% of South Sudanese children between the ages of 6 and 12, who have never attended school. The percentages increase then if we talk about girls: women in South Sudan are tied to the tradition of forced marriages; the chance to study and emancipate is a miracle for many of them. In front of this scenario we can not and do not

want to be discouraged. The school is, in many cases, the only place where children find food and protection. Supporting education in South Sudan means walking with the smallest and most defenseless to guarantee them human development at 360 degrees. It is among the school desks that the future of many young people begins.

## At school with the Rumbek girls.

### Where is it:

Loreto Girls Secondary School, Rumbek, South Sudan.

### Duration of the project:

12 months

### Context:

Over 80% of South Sudanese women can not read or write, while 50% are forced to marry before the age of 18. At that age, in South Sudan, it is more frequent for a young woman to die during childbirth than to complete the course of higher education. At the Loreto secondary school in Rumbek work is being done to counter this trend and give young South Sudanese the right to receive education since 2007.

### Goals:

Improving female literacy in South Sudan through a scholarship program dedicated to particularly deserving and in need students. Specific objectives include: reducing school drop-out rates, improving awareness of their rights, increasing training and employment opportunities, guaranteeing the safety of female students and restoring dignity to women in the South Sudanese context.

### Accomplished results:

It was possible to complete the support for 10 female students, not only from the point of view of learning (lessons, free time, tuition fees), but also for all the needs related to nutrition, residential reception, safety and services provided by staff working in the school. The girls were supported not only during the lessons, but also in their free time with the proposal of extra-curricular activities for a complete personal and human development.





# Teachers of the future

**Where is it:**

Mazzolari Teachers Training College, Cueibet, South Sudan.

**Duration of the project:**

6 months

**Context:**

An educational center of excellence for teacher training in Cueibet, South Sudan, was the last dream of Bp.. Cesare Mazzolari. The institute, whose management is now entrusted to a community of Jesuit brothers with the support of the educational department of the Rumbek diocese, opened its doors in 2016 to the first twenty South Sudanese students, eager to become teachers in a country where the presence of qualified masters does not exceed 3%. Once started, the school for teachers now needs to improve and develop further in order to become the center of excellence in the training of future teachers. To do this, it needs to get better basic services.

**Goals:**

- Support the growth of an environment conducive to training, so that it can be a place to promote the human, physical, psychological and spiritual development of the students and future teachers of the country present in the school by means of:
- 1) Improving communication with the outside world, through internet coverage that facilitates the exchange of information, educational resources and also the management efficiency of the school.
  - 2) Responding to the hospitality needs of the college through the purchase of basic furnishings for classrooms and dormitories, necessary to accommodate the new groups of incoming students.

**Accomplished results:**

Internet connection system was installed in the school, which included the purchase of an antenna, modem, cables and connectors, installation work and the expertise of an engineer supervising the project. In addition, mattresses, beds, blackboards, chairs, desks, filing cabinets and bookcase furniture were purchased.







## HEALTH AREA



According to the World Food Program, about 45% of the population in South Sudan - 5 million people - are in conditions of serious food insecurity. 700 children every day risk death due to malnutrition. An entire generation risks getting lost in the very young country of South Sudan, which instead needs its own boys to consolidate and find its identity. The areas affected and threatened by the famine also show an increased incidence of diseases, in particular serious respiratory infections, diarrhea

and malaria. Although there is an increase in demand for health services, some facilities have been abandoned due to the war, forcing the communities to approach the nearest available water sources.

War, poverty, and the emergence of famine are a huge obstacle, which endangers the lives of people, primarily women and children. For this we continue working hand to hand.

## Alone never again

### Where:

Agok, county of Wau, South Sudan

### Duration of the project:

12 months

### Context:

In Agok, a village of 1800 inhabitants in the county of Wau in South Sudan, children with parents suffering from leprosy have big dreams, like children all over the world. However, the social prejudice that the illness has brought for centuries is still present. This, together with the misery of the afflicted for almost 50 years of uninterrupted war, is likely to prevent the children of Agok from dreaming of a better future for themselves and their families.

### Goals:

To promote the socio-economic development of the Agok community by involving the weakest social groups (leprosy patients and their families) in an activity of agricultural production aimed at sustaining them and also selling the stock in the local market.

To improve food security and economic availability to cover basic family expenses.

### Accomplished results:

Sacks of sorghum, beans, millet, peanuts and watermelon seed bags were distributed. The direct recipients of the project could plant their crops. The amount of rainfall has allowed an abundant harvest of watermelons, whose sales have supported 450 between children and adults.





# Stop malnutrition

**Where is it:**  
Hospital St. Francis of Assisi, Marial Lou, Tonj Nord county, Warrap region, South Sudan.

**Duration of the project:**  
12 months (extendable)

**Context:**  
The San Francesco d’Assisi hospital is located in a remote area of the Tonj Nord county. Managed by our South Sudanese partner Arkangelo Ali Association, it is the only health facility within a radius of 100 kilometers and serves a population of around 42,000, with a high concentration of women and children. This is why it is specialized in pediatric and neonatal health care in the context of the emergency that the country has in common.

**Targets:**  
To promote the health of the child and the mother by improving the nutritional situation, in contrast to the widespread infant mortality caused by acute malnutrition and related diseases. Through a specific nutritional program, we intend to guarantee an adequate supply of foods for the treated, improve the health conditions of the recipients by offering outpatient and hospital services, and promote correct hygienic-sanitary behaviors to prevent the transmission of diseases.

**Accomplished results:**  
It has been possible to provide prenatal care to pregnant women suffering from malaria and infections, and to administer vaccines, vitamins and nutrients to children under 5 years of age at risk within the Marial Lou hospital.



# Near the lepers

**Where is it:**  
Agok, Wau County, South Sudan

**Duration of the project:**  
3 months

**Context:**  
Agok’s leper colony is located in an isolated area, difficult to reach especially during the rainy season, when the floods cancel the streets turning them into mud traps for vehicles.

**Targets:**  
To intervene in the emergency of food insecurity by transporting basic food for people affected by leprosy in this community.

**Accomplished results:**  
It was possible to supply flour, oil and soap to buffer the hunger emergency in the Agok community.







## EMERGENCY AND DEVELOPMENT AREA



The drought, the violence that prevented people from cultivating the land and the profound economic crisis in South Sudan, have reduced the presence of food supply to a minimum, as well as the possibility of buying them, since the heavy inflation has skyrocketed food prices. Despite an uneasy context in the parishes-missions, this has never stopped the work of missionaries and religious, who remained close to the people sharing the difficulties.

Much has been done to counteract the food emergency through the distribution of meals, but also a development perspective has been given throughout the promotion of education, women, fundamental rights and basic services such as water, which are not always present in the areas in which we operate.

Being a source of light in the dark. This is the true mission that guides us, that drives us to look at needs and work to give concrete answers. To renew hope in the midst of despair.

## A vegetable garden for Nyancot

### Where is it:

Nyancot, Rumbek, South Sudan

Duration of the project:

12 months

### Context:

Five kilometers north of Rumbek lies the village of Nyancot. With the ongoing clan war in South Sudan, autonomy in the production of basic foodstuffs is the only way to protect the population from hunger and food insecurity.

### Goals:

To enhance agricultural development through allocation of small plots of land to be cultivated for the local families.

To guarantee families a certain independence from the alimentary point of view.

### Accomplished results:

In collaboration with the local Caritas, it was possible to start an agricultural development project for food security for many families in the area. The activities opened with the fence of a land of 200 x 100 meters, necessary to protect the plantations from the raids of the livestock. The beginning of the rainy season and the fertility of the land favored the first crops: peanuts, millet, peas and corn. Regarding the fruit, mangos, papaya, guavas and moringas have been planted.





## Do we have lunch together?

### Where?

Aliap-Bunagok, Eastern Lakes State, South Sudan.

### Duration of the project:

6 months

### Context:

The Eastern Lakes State region is the poorest region in South Sudan. Currently, it is undergoing an ethnic and political war, a situation worsened due to a deep economic crisis and by the spectrum of hunger that affects almost 30,000 people, more than the 60% of the total 47,000 inhabitants of the region. In the Aliap locality, there are 6,000 inhabitants. Due to the ongoing conflict, the most vulnerable social groups are the elderly, women and, among all, the children. The resumption of the civil war, in 2013, further regressed the country, which suffers from the lack of public services and infrastructure, such as schools, access to safe drinking water, roads and basic health services.

### Goals:

The project's goal is to offer a complete educational service to the Aliap children in school age through the provision of the school feeding program. The specific goal is dedicated to improve the education quality by:

Satisfying the school demands, that rise with the increase in the number of children attending school also for those from disadvantaged backgrounds (displaced).

Reducing the level of malnutrition of children.

Being able to ensure better health by which to follow the lessons, improve the attendance and constancy at school, offer a healthy and hygienic environment for the preparation of meals in the school canteen.

### Accomplished results:

A 6x8 meter kitchen and storage block was built in the Comboni primary school of Aliap-Bunagok. These places respect the criteria required by the Food for Education Program promoted by the World Food Program, so more children can attend the school. Thanks to this nutritional support, the 470 children of the primary Comboni school of Aliap were able to attend school with a better performance and less food insecurity.



## Support for missions

### Where is it:

Missions of the Rumbek diocese: Holy Family, Holy Heart, St. Teresa, Marial Lou, Warrap, Tonj, Agangrial, Wulu, Mapuordit, Yirol, Aliap-Bunagok.

### Duration of the project:

12 months (annual)

### Context:

Within the diocese of Rumbek, pastoral activities take the form of various commitments: from visits to people in the villages, to the celebration of Masses; from the course of the catechism to the proposal of formative meetings on various issues related to peaceful cohabitation, sport and play, agriculture and socio-economic development or the emancipation of women. The pastoral department therefore deals in a complete and direct manner with the human development of the people who live in the diocese.

### Goals:

To guarantee the sustenance of religious men and women working within the diocese of Rumbek and the communities in which they are inserted, through direct support to the local diocesan department for pastoral care and development.

### Accomplished results:

In the field of human promotion: 10 radio broadcasts were settled to provide girls with basic training in the health and sanitary area in the parish-mission of the Holy Family in Rumbek; 50 members of the Parents-Teachers Association were trained on the theme of peace education in the parish-mission of the Holy Family in Rumbek; an initiative on "peace and justice" was carried out for local leaders and young people in the parish-mission of St. Therese of the Child Jesus in Rumbek; another project was launched for the promotion of women in the parish-mission of the Sacred Heart in Rumbek.

In the area of development protection: new sanitary facilities were introduced in the Comboni primary school in Rumbek, a water well was built for access to drinking water in the Mazzolari secondary school in Rumbek.







## SOCIAL INCLUSION PROJECTS

2017 opened with a keyword: opportunities. This is the objective of the free courses that the CESAR Fondazione, together with the municipality of Concesio and the Yous Lombardia organization, has proposed in the territory during the year.

An advanced sewing course, open to participants who had already attended the basic workshop in 2016, and then a novelty, which in a short time has recorded a real boom of requests: courses of kitchen assistant aimed at unemployed women and men of the territory. During the year, 2 basic and 1 advanced kitchen assistant courses were held under the guidance of tutor chef Basilio D'Ambrosio.

Both courses included very intense programs and required determination, willingness to work in groups, personal motivation to ensure the effectiveness of learning, and issuance of a certificate of attendance at the end of the course.

As many as 85 participants were able to attend these free professional courses.





## THEATER PROJECT COOPERATIVA SOCIALE IL PONTE

CESAR Fondazione also continued for the year 2017 supporting the theater project of the Cooperativa Sociale Il Ponte of Villa Carcina (BS); a type A cooperative for the management of social, health care and educational services.

The cooperative, through its various activities, from the laboratories of painting on glass and wood (which supply various items to the Solidarity shops of the Associazione di amici Cesar), the exercise of autonomy, the theater, cinema and sports projects, reaches more than twenty young people with mild to moderate disabilities who come from the municipalities of Villa Carcina, Concesio, Sarezzo and neighboring.

The theater project represents a form of expression with implicit therapeutic and liberating characteristics for the users of the cooperative; taking part in a workshop path represents the opportunity to experience the ability to listen, to trust, to collaborate and to create as individuals and as a group.

Through the body, the main channel to create relationships and interact, the participants relate to each other in an unusual way, in a non judgemental climate with the aim of:

- Exploring and understanding the dynamics present in the group.
- Recognizing and activate the attention and listening resources.
- Recognizing wealth and potential in difference.
- Promoting availability and openness to the other.
- Developing expressive and creative skills.
- Rediscovering the body: trace the maps of the motor possibilities of the participants.
- Developing a personal poetic and theatrical imagination.



## BIOGRAPHICAL EXHIBITION BP. CESARE MAZZOLARI

The missionary exhibition "Person for others (?)" traveled a lot during 2017, helping to bring town to town the dramatic situation of South Sudan and the work of Father Cesare Mazzolari in the missions of the Rumbek diocese.

The municipality of Gussago (BS) opened the tour, where the exhibition was staged at the Church of San Lorenzo from 11 to 26 February, then it was the turn of the city of Trento where the exhibition welcomed the new season, stopping by the '11 to 17 September, guest of the parish of Cristo Re.

The third stage was the Val Camonica, with the welcome in the Pian Camuno library from 25 September to 4 October.

On the occasion of the first Festival della Missione, held in Brescia, the exhibition was exhibited in the city by the Comboni Fathers, as a preview of the missionary festival full of ideas and sharing.

The Brescian communities of Villaggio Serrano and Fornaci were the ones concluding the missionary October. They were the scenario for "Person for others (?)". The exhibition was inaugurated with testimonies of civil and missionary commitment within the meeting The disarmed force of peace, moderated by the journalist Anna Pozzi.





## Schools competition: ONE GLANCE FOR CHANGING THE WORLD

The migratory phenomenon we are witnessing concerns us all and leaves no one indifferent. We need new eyes, that know how to read reality in all its complexity, that help us build bridges and not walls, that are capable of defending the dignity of every person.

In this regard, the new edition of the national competition for schools "ONE GLANCE FOR CHANGING THE WORLD" was born: now in its fifth edition, the initiative promoted by Fondazione Cesar in collaboration with Miur for the 2017/2018 school year wanted to dwell on the drama of refugees, towards Europe but not only; understand the causes and seek together with the students those changes that, in our day to day life, can be implemented to give a positive turn to the course of history.

Videos, photos, drawings, songs, stories, posters... students from every Italian corner have used every mean of expression to communicate their proposal on the future of the planet!

With this important initiative, Fondazione CESAR wanted to encourage dialogue in the schools on the topics of Interculture through group work and direct exchange with organizations that deal daily with humanitarian projects in developing countries, just like Cesar Onlus.

Twenty or so school centers of all types and levels located in every part of Italy have registered. In the end of 2017/early 2018 Fondazione CESAR staff went to the registered schools to hold in-depth meetings on the theme of the competition and to raise awareness of the reality in which the foundation has been operating for over 17 years.



## Events

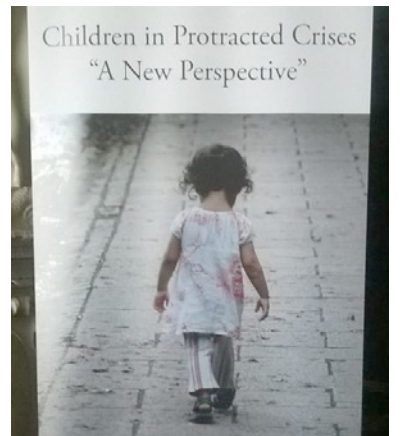
### Charity dinner "Chef's dinner"

On Friday 12 May 2017, the premises of the Paul VI oratory in Concesio hosted 170 people for the traditional CESAR social dinner. In the kitchen the CESAR brigade, consisting of 22 participants in the new free course proposed by the Fondazione to prepare unemployed men and women to the job of cook assistant. In this adventure, the participants were accompanied and guided by the chef Basilio D'Ambrosio, who guided them on the proposal of a delicious menu based on risotto with asparagus and strawberries, vegetables, fish and imaginative desserts that were served with elegance and skill and served at the table by young volunteers of CESAR.



### Conference "children in protracted crisis situations: new perspectives"

The fondazione CESAR hosted the international conference on the theme "Children in protracted crisis situations: new perspectives", held at Villa del Principe - Andrea Doria's palace, at the consulate of the Republic of South Africa and Genoa. We wanted to remember the massacre of young people occurred in Soweto in 1976 by the police following protests against the obligation to study the Afrikaans language (used only by whites) in schools with a black majority.



Among the speakers of the conference also our president Mariangela Rossini was called to describe the situation in South Sudan between war, poverty, hunger and displaced emergency. OCHA data emerged above all: "over 2.3 million people (one in every five out of the total population) were forced to leave their homes, taking refuge in neighboring countries (Kenya and Uganda above all) or moving to other areas of the country. A country in which, internally, the displaced persons account for 1.66 million, of whom 53.4% are children.

### ONE HAND FOR THE COOP SCHOOL: - Ipercoop. Roncadelle

Fondazione CESAR has been selected as a partner organization for the "A hand for the school" initiative. On the 7th and 8th of September, the CESAR volunteers cover the shifts at the stand set up for the occasion at the entrance to the Roncadelle Hypercoop, inside the Elnos shopping center.

In just two days, thanks to the generosity of the COOP customers who were interested in the initiative, it was possible to collect over 600 euros in school materials. pens, pencils, colors, notebooks and much more are now waiting to be donated to the families in need of the area.

The project, promoted by the Italian Institute of Donation (IID) and COOP Lombardia, aims concretely to help families in need in Italy in the critical and costly period of the return to school.



### MEETINGS WITH P. DANIELE MOSCHETTI

In his book, Father Daniele Moschetti narrates the tragedies and hopes of the South Sudanese people from foreign dominations up to the proclamation of independence. From the hopes of a new beginning to the insecurity of a conflict that does not seem to have an end. In his latest book Sud Sudan. The long and painful journey towards peace, justice and dignity (2017, Dissensi Edizioni), Father Daniele Moschetti traces the painful path that characterized the mission land where he stayed for 7 years. And from his lines, he calls for the reawakening of humanity and for the urgent protection of the rights of those who are weaker and defenseless. CESAR has accompanied Father Daniele during some stages of his Italian tour to give voice to those who have no voice.

30th September 2017: Pian Camuno Library (BS).

5th October 2017: Comboni Missionaries of Brescia.

19th October 2017: CMD di Arezzo - Parrocchia S. Agnese in Pesciola.

20th October 2017: Berio di Genova Library (Gruppo Genova con l'Africa).

5th November 2017: Vincentian group of Bari and Comboni of Bari.

6th November 2017: Feltrinelli di Altamura bookshop (BS).





## SOLIDARITY CAMPAIGN

### Easter 2017: with a piece of bread.

It has been the fifth time that the campaign has been run with the selling of chocolate eggs (products come from LAC Cioccolato e Pasticceria di Brescia) and artisanal doves from "Il vecchio forno" from Vicenza in order to support "With a piece of bread" project. It serves for the purchase of a grain mill and a bread oven for the girls of the Loreto School of Rumbek: this will ensure the distribution of bread within the school and surrounding communities to give more food, more health and more dreams to these girls. 2100 pieces have been sold between chocolate eggs and doves.



### Christmas 2017: "A game under the Christmas tree"

It has been the fifth year of collaboration with "Il Vecchio Forno" of Vicenza for the production of handmade panettone and pandoro in support of the CESAR Christmas campaign. The Panettone were produced using cane sugar and chocolate chips from the fair trade chain, therefore doubly supportive.

The project "Put a game under the tree" was born with the aim of giving back to the South Sudanese the right to play and have childhood, and stay away from war, violence and hunger. It involves the construction of a protected and safe area where they can play, be with other children and gradually overcome the traumatic experiences.

2,600 pieces sold between panettone and pandoro.



### Five per thousand (Tax Donation):

In the year 2017 the funds of the tenth edition of the Five per Thousand were paid (see Year 2015) which must be reported within one year of receipt. The signatures in support of the CESAR Foundation relating to the 2015 tax returns were 395, with a total amount disbursed equal to 17,827.42 euros.



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## COMMUNICATION

### A) WEB

#### Website

In 2017, a significant communication operation was carried out to improve online promotion tools. The new website [www.fondazionecesar.org](http://www.fondazionecesar.org) has been launched to replace the previous [www.cesarsudan.org](http://www.cesarsudan.org), updated in design and in the style of communication to make visible the most useful content for users, specifically: a presentation of Cesar (who we are), an overview of the activities in Italy and abroad (what we do), the types of support that can be implemented (what you can do), and a section entirely dedicated to news from the territory and South Sudan, events and press reviews (news).



#### Social network

CESAR Foundation is present and active in its own Facebook page, which today has over 2,500 fans. The virtual bulletin board is used to show users the development of new initiatives, to update them on current projects, to launch appeals and ask for support, to share and make known the human face of CESAR in their daily commitment to solidarity.



### B) Biannual magazine

The biannual newspaper is one of the most important communication tools aimed at donors and supporters to share all the updates related to ongoing projects, development initiatives under study, and the life of the Fondazione with attention to the story of the goals achieved both in Italy that outside. In 2017, over 9,000 copies were sent between April (4530) and December (4540).





## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

### STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES

INCOMES	Year 2015	Year 2016	Year 2017
Contributions from public entities	4.200,00 €	1.060,00 €	6.867,00 €
Contributions from institutional donors (banks, foundations and companies)	5.000,00 €	37.418,00 €	500,00 €
Contributions from private donors and nonprofit organizations	187.204,00 €	197.427,00 €	326.528,00 €
Tax donations	19.274,00 €	21.625,00 €	17.827,00 €
Incomes from fundraising activities	6.895,00 €	12.635,00 €	9.174,00 €
Financial incomes	845,00 €	1.016,00 €	10.633,00 €
Other incomes	1.452,00 €	883,00 €	6,00 €
<b>TOTAL INCOMES</b>	<b>224.870,00 €</b>	<b>272.063,00 €</b>	<b>371.535,00 €</b>

EXPENSES	Year 2015	Year 2016	Year 2017
Expenses from ordinary activities (projects)	134.666,00 €	175.317,00 €	268.533,00 €
Expenses from fundraising activities	14.343,00 €	12.974,00 €	16.792,00 €
Financial expenses	2.098,00 €	2.111,00 €	2.183,00 €
General and administrative expenses	34.117,00 €	36.290,00 €	44.052,00 €
Extraordinary expenses	1.805,00 €	0,00 €	0,00 €
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>187.030,00 €</b>	<b>226.693,00 €</b>	<b>331.561,00 €</b>

### STAFF EMPLOYED

NUMBER OF PERSONNEL	Year 2015	Year 2016	Year 2017
Full time staff	0	0	0
Part time staff	3	3	4
External collaborators	1	0	0



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