

Press Release

The number of children at risk in the Czech Republic continues to increase. The [SanceDetem.cz](http://www.SanceDetem.cz) website offers help to families in solving problems.

Prague | 1st September 2011 – In September the new www.SanceDetem.cz website was launched. It is intended to help people understand the problems faced by children at risk in the Czech Republic and to provide families and other people who are affected with answers to questions about when and where to seek help in resolving difficult situations that they find themselves in.

The website provides information both to families taking care of children with various types of disability and about children that are neglected, maltreated or otherwise endangered by the social environment that they are living in.

The Sirius Foundation initiated the creation of the website and the day-to-day running is provided by the Public Benefit Corporation Sirius, o. p. s., with the aim of encouraging the prevention of problems in families by providing the necessary information about the possibilities of assistance. Another reason for the launch of the new website is to contribute to greater transparency about giving donations, to offer reliable information and thus motivate potential donors.

The Sirius Foundation's experience shows that there is a lack of first-rate and complex information in this country about these subjects. And it is this information that could considerably **help to prevent a child from being at risk, help families and make life easier for families caring for disabled children.**

The articles that you will find on the site have been created in collaboration with leading Czech professionals who specialise in the subject of children at risk in various contexts.

The information website helps children that have been unfortunate in life!

→ it enables a **FAMILY IN A DIFFICULT SITUATION** to understand the predicament it finds itself in. It offers answers to the questions of when and where to seek help and how to proceed in a particular situation, as well as providing concise information about problems that parents can most often resolve regarding their children.

→ it provides a **FAMILY CARING FOR A DISABLED CHILD** with comprehensive information about individual types of disability and offers valuable advice to families and their surroundings which can facilitate and improve communication with children. It describes what the children's parents are entitled to get from their health insurance company and how they should proceed in resolving various situations. It inspires families on how to spend their free time.

→ it motivates **DONORS** by providing useful and reliable information and the tools necessary to make the right decision about how to help. It provides information about the legal, economic and tax aspects of giving donations so that everybody who wants to help can donate in the right way.

→ it enables **PEOPLE INTERESTED IN THE SUBJECT OF CHILDREN AT RISK** to get information from other relevant sources with the aid of a Specialist Library which contains several thousand transcripts of specialist publications, anthologies, articles from selected professional periodicals, dissertations, etc.

The Sirius Foundation have been helping children at risk since they were formed in 2008 and have already supported projects with a total of 51 929 053 CZK. The Sirius Foundation considers the prevention of problems to be a priority and it wants to initiate the long-term, systematic and comprehensive resolution of children's problems and to encourage the development of donorship. For more information visit www.nadacesirius.cz/en.