

# Report

**Report on the activities  
of the Nobody's Children Foundation in 2003**



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# Mission

## mission of the nobody's children foundation

*The Nobody's Children Foundation is a nonprofit non-governmental organization, which provides a broad scope of assistance to abused children, their parents, and caregivers.*

*The Foundation's activities are addressed to physically, psychologically, and sexually abused and neglected children, their parents and caregivers, as well as professionals dealing with cases of child abuse.*

*Our main goal is to develop an efficient aid system for abused children, a system that would integrate activities of state institutions, local authorities and non-governmental organizations working for the benefit of children in the particular region.*

*We provide short- and long-term assistance to victims of abuse and to their caregivers. Moreover, we offer psychological, educational, and legal counseling to people who have contact with cases of child abuse. We organize specialist training programs on problems related to child abuse for various professional groups and interdisciplinary teams. We conduct research and analyses that broaden knowledge about the problem and form the basis for our activities.*

*The Foundation's team consists of experienced experts in problems related to child abuse. Though differing in life perspectives, they are all firmly convinced that abused children and their families need to be helped. This conviction stems both from the knowledge of the detrimental health, developmental and social effects of abuse on any human being, and from the belief that it is our moral obligation to support the weak, the helpless and the confused, whenever and wherever we encounter them.*

# History of the foundation

In 1990, Alina Margolis-Edelman, representing the French humanitarian organization Medecins du Monde (Doctors of the World), launched Warsaw's mission of Assistance to Social Initiatives. She interested a group of professionals - physicians, educators and psychologists - in confronting the problem of child abuse. This group established the Nobody's Children Foundation with funds provided by the Pleograf Company. The Nobody's Children Foundation was registered in May 1991.

**The Foundation defined its main goal as developing an efficient aid system for abused children, a system that would integrate activities of state institutions, local authorities and non-governmental organizations working for the benefit of children in their respective areas.**

At the time when the Foundation was established, dealing with the broadly understood problem of child abuse required prior diagnosis of both the actual prevalence of the problem, and the society's awareness of and knowledge about child abuse.

Research conducted by the Foundation showed that child physical, emotional, and sexual abuse, as well as neglect of children did exist, though the importance of these problems was frequently undermined by professionals working with children. Moreover, the professionals' competence in identifying the problem and undertaking appropriate interventions turned out dramatically insufficient. These findings guided the Foundation's activities at the initial stages of its operation.

The first of the Foundation's aims was **to enhance social sensitivity to the problem of child abuse**, with a special emphasis on professionals working with children, who potentially form the first link of the intervention chain. This was done by launching a publicity and information campaign focusing on: children's rights, especially the right to care and protection from any form of abuse; and the necessity to ensure that anyone who knows about or suspects child abuse reacts properly, with specific information on how to intervene in such cases. Simultaneously, since 1993 the Foundation has been implementing a publishing program, producing publications such as books, handbooks, brochures and leaflets addressed to professionals, parents, and children.

The Foundation's second objective was to improve the competence of professionals working with children in diagnosis and intervention in cases of child abuse. This aim was pursued through training programs for school and kindergarten teachers, doctors, nurses, social workers, employees of law enforcement institutions, and the police.

Training continues to be an essential part of the Foundation's work. During over ten years of its training activity several thousand professionals from Warsaw and other Polish cities have benefited from its programs.

In 1995 the Foundation established two specialist institutions: the Child and

Family Center in the Warszawa Centrum municipality, and the "Pociecha" Help Center for Children and Families in the Warszawa-Białołęka municipality. Both centers were founded in cooperation with Medecins du Monde in order to provide specialist services to abused children, their families and professionals dealing with cases of child abuse.

In 1997 the Foundation joined The Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Program carried out by the Open Society Institute /OSI/, which was coordinated in Poland by The Batory Foundation. The program aimed at inspiring and supporting CEE-based teams in designing and implementing assistance projects for abused children and their families. Within this program, the Nobody's Children Foundation organized two international conferences: Child Sexual Abuse - Diagnosis and Treatment, for child gynecologists (1999); and Abused Child - Social Work with Families, for social workers (2000).

In 2000 the Foundation was visited by George Soros, the founder of the OSI Foundation. The Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment program was completed in 2001 and is now continued as an internet project "Child Abuse and Neglect in Eastern Europe" ([www.canee.net](http://www.canee.net)), carried out by the Nobody's Children Foundation.

In 2001 the Nobody's Children Foundation, in cooperation with the State Agency for Solving Alcohol Problems, the "Blue Line" emergency hotline, and McCann Erickson Polska (advertising agency) launched a national campaign "Childhood without Violence". While implementing the social campaign, the Foundation designed and conducted (in cooperation with OBOP, the Public Opinion Polling Center) the first nationwide public opinion research devoted entirely to the problem of child abuse.

In September 2001 the Foundation began implementing the "Child under the Umbrella of Law" program, aimed at improving the situation of children who participate in legal procedures - i.e. children interviewed by the police or prosecutors and child witnesses in court. Within this project conferences and training sessions for court employees, the police and other professionals were organized throughout Poland.

In 2002 the first issue of the Foundation's quarterly *Dziecko krzywdzone - teoria, badania, praktyka* (Abused Child: Theory, Research, and Practice) was published. The quarterly explores various aspects of child abuse.

In the same year the Foundation joined the "Bad Touch" social campaign, carried out by a television broadcaster TVN.

2002 was the last year of Medecins du Monde's mission in Poland. The completion of more than 10 years' cooperation between MDM and the Nobody's Children Foundation was celebrated in the Palace of Culture and Science, under the patronage of the President of the Capital City of Warsaw.

In December 2002 the Foundation was visited by the British First Lady, Cherie Blair, during her unofficial travel to Poland.

In May 2003 the Nobody's Children Foundation launched a new center in downtown Warsaw, the "Mazowiecka" Help Center for Children. The center is furnished with equipment for child interviews, and has a special trial room, therapeutic rooms and a conference room. In the same year the Foundation's center in Białołęka was closed. The center's clients were taken over by the Society of Children's Friends' center launched at the same location, and the staff are now employed in other institutions run by the Foundation.

In August 2003 Warsaw hosted the IX European ISPCAN Conference organized by the Nobody's Children Foundation. Conference workshops and presentations were attended by nearly 700 people from more than 70 countries. The Conference was organized under the patronage of Ms. Jolanta Kwaśniewska, the Polish First Lady.

The Nobody's Children Foundation has been granted several awards, with the major ones including:

- The award for the best Polish NGO in a competition organized by the Batory Foundation and Bankers Trust (1999),
- "Golden Telephone" - an honorary award granted by the "Blue Line" emergency hotline for victims of domestic violence (1999),
- A special award in the 3rd edition of the Pro Publico Bono contest (2001),
- The Award of the President of the Capital City of Warsaw (2001),
- "Heart to Children" - an award granted by the authorities of the Warsaw Praga Poludnie district (2002).

# 2003 the foundation's activities in 2003

## **Help Centers for Children and Families**

The Nobody's Children Foundation runs two centers in Warsaw, providing help to abused children and their families: The Child and Family Center and the "Mazowiecka" Help Center for Children (launched in 2003).

### **Child and Family Center**

03-926 Warszawa, ul. Walecznych 59  
Tel. (48) (22) 616 02 68

Program coordinator – *Katarzyna Fenik*

The Child and Family Center was founded in 1996 thanks to professional support and funds provided by the French organization Medecins du Monde (Doctors of the World), at the premises offered by the Social Aid Center in Warsaw's Praga-Południe district.

The Center operates in the Praga-Południe district of the Warszawa Centrum municipality, providing specialist services to abused children and their families, and to professionals dealing with such cases. In 2003 the Center accepted 170 first-time reports of abuse. Out of this number, the Center took regular care of 66 victims of child sexual abuse, 18 victims of physical abuse, 43 emotionally abused children, 9 victims of neglect, and 18 children causing rearing difficulties.

In 2003 the Child and Family Center accepted 242 parents, with 133 of them staying for long-term treatment (117 women and 16 men).

**The following forms of assistance were offered by the Child and Family Center:**

- 644 therapeutic and diagnostic sessions with children
- 854 meetings with parents or other family members
- 161 consultations for professionals

**The Child and Family Center's activities were financed by:**

- The Office of the Capital City of Warsaw,
- The District Office of Warszawa Praga-Południe,
- The State Agency for Solving Alcohol Problems,
- The Mazovian Provincial Office

## **"Mazowiecka" Help Center for Children**

00-048 Warszawa, ul. Mazowiecka 12/25  
Tel. (48) (22) 826 88 62

Program coordinator - *Jolanta Zmarzlik*

Established by the Nobody's Children Foundation in March 2003, the "Mazowiecka" Help Center for Children is a professional institution designed to apply and promote innovative methods of assisting children - victims of crime .

The Center functions in cooperation with the Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Internal Affairs and Administration, and institutions reporting to them in Warsaw. The Center fills a gap in the system of law enforcement institutions, offering a child-friendly place where prosecutor's interviews and court trials are held. Furthermore, the Center provides crisis intervention services in cases of crime against children, especially sexual abuse and violence. Children and their families are offered free psychological and legal assistance (consultations, therapy, and support groups).

The Center organizes numerous training and supervision sessions for professionals dealing with abused children. It hosts regular meetings of the Court Expert Club, aiming to improve competence in dealing with child abuse among forensic psychologists - court experts.

**In 2003 the following forms of assistances were provided by the "Mazowiecka" Center:**

- 620 therapeutic and diagnostic sessions with children,
- 611 psychological consultations for parents or other family members,
- 158 legal consultations,
- 99 psychiatric consultations,
- 618 consultations for professionals,
- 24 forensic assessments,
- 49 child interviews (including 32 prosecutor's interviews),
- 6 meetings of the Court Expert Club

**The "Mazowiecka" Center's activities were financed by:**

- The Office of the Capital City of Warsaw
- The Rufford Foundation
- The European Union - the Phare program
- The Batory Foundation

## The opening ceremony of the "Mazowiecka" Help Center for Children (March 25, 2003)

On March 23, 2003, after six months of renovation work in the building at 12 Mazowiecka street in Warsaw, we celebrated the opening of the Nobody's Children Foundation's new center - the "Mazowiecka" Help Center for Children.

The ceremony was attended by representatives of the National Police Headquarters, the Ministry of Justice, the Ministry of Education and Sport, the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Administration, non-governmental organizations and institutions engaged in helping child victims of crime. The invitation to the ceremony was also accepted by sponsors, including members of the Pink Elephant Club operating at the British Embassy.



Mr. Michael Pakenham, the British Ambassador to Poland, participated in the ceremony, accompanied by his wife. He briefly discussed the British help system for abused children and presented the Embassy's existing cooperation with the Nobody's Children Foundation.



After the official part of the ceremony Ms. Irena Kornatowska, President of the Foundation, invited everyone to the traditional cake cutting.



Representatives of the State Agency for Solving Alcohol Problems (PARPA) with a family of Parpa Bears



The British Ambassador Michael Pakenham and his wife with Monika Sajkowska, Managing Director of the Nobody's Children Foundation



A child-friendly interviewing room and a therapeutic room for young children

The "Mazowiecka" Center was renovated and equipped with funds provided by:

- Co-operating Netherlands Foundations for Central and Eastern Europe
- Pink Elephant Club (British Embassy)
- TVN television broadcaster
- and: TVN Foundation, IKEA, Oknoplast Kraków, Dusel, Dercom, Kattro, Folplex



# Program publishing program

The Foundation has been engaged in publishing activity since 1993, producing publications such as manuals for professionals working with children, educational materials for children and parents, posters, leaflets, etc. In 2003 the Foundation published four brochures dealing with different aspects of child abuse:



„Gdy dziecko jest świadkiem w sądzie” (When a Child is a Witness in Court) - a publication offering advice to parents, caregivers, and other people accompanying child witnesses in court.



„Wykorzystywanie seksualne dzieci. Możemy temu zapobiec.” (Child Sexual Abuse Can Be Prevented) - a brochure addressed to parents and caregivers, offering a clear definition of child sexual abuse, presenting its symptoms, and discussing interventions to be undertaken in case of suspected child sexual abuse.

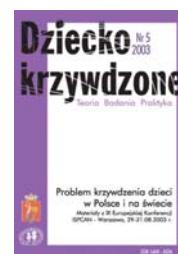
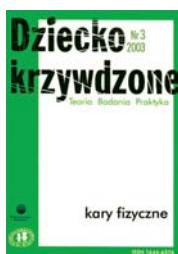
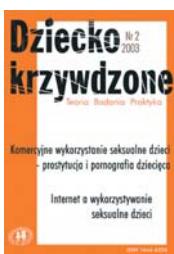


„Prawa ofiar przestępstw – standardy europejskie” (Crime Victims' Rights: European Standards) - a publication addressed both to institutions and organizations dealing with victims of crime, and to the victims themselves. It presents international and Polish legislation concerning crime victims' rights and recent changes in this field.



„10 kroków ku temu by stać się lepszym rodzicem” (10 Steps towards Better Parenting) - a brochure addressed to parents, offering advice on how to rear children without using violence.

Moreover, in 2003 the Nobody's Children Foundation published four (2-5) issues of its quarterly: Dziecko krzywdzone - teoria, badania, praktyka (Abused Child: Theory, Research, and Practice).



The program was financed by:

- UNICEF Regional Office for CEE/CIS/Baltics
- J&S Pro Bono Poloniae Foundation
- Bernard van Leer Foundation
- The Office of the Capital City of Warsaw
- The European Union - the Phare program

# Child under the umbrella of law



The "Child under the Umbrella of Law" program aims at improving the competence of employees of law enforcement institutions and the police in protecting child victims of crime during legal interventions, as well as promoting the idea of "child-friendly" interviewing rooms.

Within the program the Nobody's Children Foundation and its local partners organize regional (provincial) conferences and training sessions focused on child victims of crime.

The program is carried out under the patronage of the Minister of Justice and the Minister of Internal Affairs and Administration.

In 2003 several conferences and training sessions were organized in the provinces of Mazowsze and Warmia-Mazury within the "Child under the Umbrella of Law" program, attended by the total number of about 200 participants.

During the training sessions and conferences the Foundation's publications were distributed - books: Dziecko pod parasolem prawa (Child under the Umbrella of Law), Przesłuchanie i diagnoza małego dziecka (Interviewing and Diagnosing a Young Child), and Idę do sądu (I'm Going to Court), as well as materials prepared for the local partners.



Implementation of the Child under the Umbrella of Law program in 2002-2003.

**The program was financed by:**

- The Know How Fund of the British Embassy
- The Institute of Public Affairs within "The Citizen and the Law" program financed by the Polish- American Freedom Foundation

# Program training program

Development and implementation of training programs and conferences related to the problem of child abuse for various professional groups constitute a significant component of the Foundation's activities.

In March 2003 the Foundation completed the next edition of the 12-month training course **on the methods of working with victims of child sexual abuse, their families and caregivers**, a program addressed primarily to psychologists and educators. The training course was attended by **18** professionals from different Polish cities.

In 2003 the Foundation continued to cooperate with the **Police Training Center** in Legionowo. **189** police officers - specialists working in juvenile departments - were trained within the Abused Child training program. During 30 hours of training the participants practiced skills such as interviewing child victims.

Moreover, the Foundation organized sessions of the Polish version of the **Aggression Replacement Training** (ART, a method of working with teenagers). In 2003 **196 employees of care and educational institutions** graduated from the complete ART program.

The conferences and the accompanying workshops organized within the **"Child under the Umbrella of Law"** program were attended by approximately **200** participants from the provinces of Mazowsze and Warmia-Mazury.

Within the **second stage of the "Bad Touch" social campaign** the Foundation conducted a series of workshops focused on diagnosing child sexual abuse and helping abused children and their families. **155** employees of District Centers of Family Help from all around Poland were trained during those sessions.

Other training programs conducted in 2003 by the Foundation's trainers for various professional groups, such as psychologists, teachers, pediatricians, and court guardians, were attended by nearly **600** people. **The sessions concerned diagnosis and treatment of abused children and development of an interdisciplinary aid system for abused children and their families.**

In August 2003 the Nobody's Children Foundation organized and conducted the **IX European ISPCAN Conference**.

Altogether more than 2000 trainees participated in the Foundation's training programs in 2003.

**The training program was financed by:**

- J&S Pro Bono Poloniae Foundation
- The Mazovian Social Policy Center
- TVN
- UNHCR
- ISPCAN

# IX European ISPCAN Conference

## Warsaw, august 29-31, 2003

On August 29-31, 2003, Warsaw's Sheraton Hotel hosted the IX European ISPCAN (International Society for Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect) Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect. The conference was organized by the Nobody's Children Foundation in cooperation with ISPCAN, an international society aiming at increasing social awareness and knowledge about the problem of child abuse, as well as supporting organizations working with abused children across the world.

The conference was organized under the honorary patronage of Poland's first lady, Ms. Jolanta Kwaśniewska. The event was also patronized by the Ministry of Education and Sport, the Ministry of Justice, the Ministry of Economy, Labor, and Social Policy, the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Administration, and the Ministry of Health.

Ms. Maria Keller-Hamela, a psychologist and the Foundation's Director for Foreign Cooperation, was appointed President of the Conference. The scientific program was developed by the conference Scientific Committee, headed by Prof. Kevin Brown from the University of Birmingham and Dr Monika Sajkowska from the Warsaw University, a sociologist and the Foundation's Managing Director.

The conference was attended by approximately 700 participants from 72 countries, representing mainly Western and Eastern Europe, but also Central Asia, the Americas, Africa, and Australia. The participants included professionals dealing with various aspects of child abuse: psychologists, educators, sociologists, employees of law enforcement institutions, and social workers.

As it was held in Warsaw, the conference provided a unique opportunity for professionals in Poland and other East European countries to exchange experiences and learn about the latest empirical and theoretical developments concerning child abuse, as well as their practical applications.

The scientific program of the conference included a wide range of issues, such as contemporary child protection challenges in the social policy, child abuse prevention, legal aspects of child abuse, forms of helping abused children and their families, medical diagnosis, intervention, and treatment. Many of the conference presentations discussed issues related to problems that often accompany child abuse, such as spouse and peer violence, alcohol abuse, poverty, or disability. Modern threats were also analyzed, such as child pornography and prostitution or risks related to the use of Internet by children.

*IXth ISPCAN Regional European Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect*

Promoting  
Interdisciplinary Approaches  
to Child Protection  
August 29-31 2003,  
Warsaw, Poland



The scientific program was completed with an international review of social campaigns for child abuse prevention, organized on the second conference day.

The ISPCAN Conference in Warsaw was accompanied by other events. On August 27-28 a training program for Central and East European professionals was conducted (supported financially by organizations including The Batory Foundation (East-East Program), WHO, and UNICEF). The training program focused on diagnosis, prevention, and psychological help in cases of child sexual abuse, and consisted of workshops, lectures and discussions about the specificity of this phenomenon in Europe.

The conference participants were also invited to visit the Foundation's "Mazowiecka" Help Center for Children.



The plenary room on the first conference day



Jolanta Kwaśniewska and Maria Keller-Hamela during the opening ceremony



The Nobody's Children Foundation's exhibition stand



The banquet at the Warsaw University of Technology

# Program research program

The main purpose of the Nobody's Children Foundation's research programs is to diagnose the prevalence and nature of the problem of child abuse, and social attitudes toward the problem.

From December 2002 the Foundation conducted the first Polish research program focused on children's risky behavior on the Internet as well as threats related to Internet-based pedophilia and child pornography, entitled "Pedophilia and Pornography on the Internet: Threats to Children". The questionnaire was available on the Internet, on selected websites for children and teenagers, for 5 months, (from December 2002 to April 2003). In August 2003 the report from the research was published.

**The program was supported by the following websites:**

- BRAVO /www.bravo.pl/
- JUNIOR /www.junior.reporter.pl/
- Centrum Edukacji Obywatelskiej /www.ceo.org.pl/
- DZIECI BEST /www.dzieci.best.pl/
- INTERIA /www.interia.pl/

In July 2003 the Foundation published the report from a study entitled "Child Sexual Abuse in Press Messages 2001-2002", conducted by the Nobody's Children Foundation together with the Institute of Applied Social Sciences at the Warsaw University. The research program aimed at describing the ways of portraying child sexual abuse in the Polish press.

Furthermore, in 2003 the Nobody's Children Foundation conducted research into the situation of children under 3 in care institutions "**Mapping the number and characteristics of children under 3 in institutions across Europe**". This EU/WHO study was a part of the Daphne Program, an international project coordinated by the University of Birmingham, carried out in several European countries including Denmark, France, Greece, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Turkey, and the UK.

**The research program was financed by:**

- UNICEF Regional Office for CEE/CIS/Baltics
- The European Union - the Daphne Program/WHO

# Program consultation program for central and eastern europe

Program coordinator – *Maria Keller-Hamela*

From 1995 to 2002 the Nobody's Children Foundation participated in the Open Society Institute's (OSI) consultation program for professionals dealing with child abuse in Central and Eastern Europe.

After the completion of the consultation program OSI entrusted the Nobody's Children Foundation with the task of organizing and coordinating an Internet project which would allow East European organizations dealing with child abuse to continue their cooperation. The project, entitled CANEE (Child Abuse and Neglect in Eastern Europe), was published on the Internet under [www.canee.net](http://www.canee.net).

Moreover, in August 2003 the Nobody's Children Foundation organized a two-day workshop in Warsaw, for more than 100 representatives of organizations working with abused children in Central and Eastern Europe. The workshop preceded the IX European ISPCAN Conference.

During the conference the Nobody's Children Foundation organized a meeting of professionals representing East European organizations, in order to discuss their potential cooperation within new, international projects to be developed by the Foundation.

The discussion about future cooperation was continued during a meeting organized at the Child Support Center in Vilnius, Lithuania, which was coordinated by the Nobody's Children Foundation. The meeting was attended by representatives of organizations from Lithuania, Latvia, Bulgaria, Belarus, Macedonia, Moldavia, and Poland.

**The program was financed by:**

- Stefan Batory Foundation
- ISPCAN
- Oak Foundation

# Program internship program

Program coordinator - Małgorzata Szulik

A group of interns - students of psychology and pedagogy - contribute to the Foundation's activities. They participate in a two-year educational and training program organized by the Foundation's Child and Family Center in co-operation with the OPTA Association, the MOP Counseling Center, the Society for Youth Aid, and the Closer to the Child Association. The internship program covers 400 hours of workshops, 400 hours of work for the Foundation, and 200 hours of supervision.

In 2003 the group of students recruited for the internship in November 2001 continued the program. 3 of them worked for the Foundation's "Mazowiecka" Help Center.

On top of that, in 2003 the Nobody's Children Foundation offered short-term internships to students of pedagogy, psychology, and re-socialization. Universities and colleges accepted these internships as a form of obligatory student training.

Apart from the interns, a group of volunteers contributed to the Foundation's work. Their responsibilities included organizational tasks, consultations, and direct work with clients of the Foundation's therapeutic centers.

# Program internet program

Program coordinator – Łukasz Wojtasik

The Nobody's Children Foundation runs a website devoted to the problem of child abuse and the Foundation's activities: [www.fdn.pl](http://www.fdn.pl). In 2003 it was visited by more than 130,000 Internet users.

Moreover, the Foundation manages an Internet project in English - Child Abuse and Neglect in Eastern Europe (CANEE) - addressed to professionals from Central and Eastern Europe. The [www.canee.net](http://www.canee.net) website presents information about child abuse in the region, discusses articles and research findings, and forms a useful platform for exchanging professional experience. In 2003 [www.canee.net](http://www.canee.net) was visited by more than 150,000 users.

As the organizer of the IX European ISPCAN conference the Nobody's Children Foundation ran the event's informative website, [www.ispcan2003.info](http://www.ispcan2003.info), presenting information on the conference program and the terms of participation.

In December 2003 the Foundation published a website devoted to a social campaign scheduled for 2004, regarding children's safety on the Internet: "Child in the Web" ([www.dzieckowsieci.pl](http://www.dzieckowsieci.pl)).

**Program internetowy finansowany:**

- Internet Art
- Open Society Institute

# Competition

## master's theses competition

The Foundation organized the 4th edition of the competition for the best master's thesis concerning the problem of child abuse.

Out of nine submitted papers, the jury ( prof. Barbara Fatyga Institute of Applied Social Science, Warsaw University, PhD Monika Sajkowska, Nobody's Children Foundation, Institute of Applied Social Sciences, Warsaw University, Jolanta Szymańczak, Bureau of Research Chancellery of the Parliament) decided to award the following prizes:

The 1st and 2nd prizes were not awarded.

**Special prizes and awards of PLN 500 went to:**

- Honorata Stocka for *The Young Homeless' Childhood in the "Barka" Foundation*, supervised by Prof. Maria Dudzikowa (Adam Mickiewicz University, Poznań),
- Ewelina Tureczek for *Parental Attitudes as Perceived by Abused Children*, supervised by Prof. Janusz Kirenko (Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin),
- Maja Bajczyk for *Abused Children's Perception of the Self and Others*, supervised by Prof. Janusz Kirenko (Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Lublin),
- Milena Grochowska for *Middle Childhood Dreams of Children Abused and Non-abused in Families*, supervised by Ludwika Wojciechowska, PhD. (Warsaw School of Social Psychology)

The theses have enriched the Foundation's library and are now available to professionals and other people interested in the problem of child abuse.

# Plans for 2004

The Nobody's Children Foundation plans to conduct two social campaigns in 2004. The first one, "Child in the Web" will concern children's safety on the Internet and the problem of Internet-based child sexual abuse. The other one, "Child: Witness with Special Needs" will present issues related to children's participation in legal procedures.

The "Child: Witness with Special Needs" project will also comprise the Foundation's new program targeted at professionals who participate in legal proceedings together with child witnesses, i.e. police officers, prosecutors, court guardians, judges, etc. Numerous workshops and training sessions will be conducted within the program, accompanied by publication and distribution of educational materials.

Moreover, in 2004 the Nobody's Children Foundation shall continue the following programs:

- **Child and Family Center**
- **"Mazowiecka" Help Center for Children**
- **Training program**
- **Consultation program for Central and Eastern Europe**
- **Internet program**
- **Publishing program**
- **Research program**
- **Master's theses competition.**

## Financial Statements

Funds collected in 2003 by the Nobody's Children's Foundation for its statutory activities:

Sources of Financing	Amount (EUR)
Committee for European Integration	46643
The Office of the Capital City of Warsaw	40930
ISPCAN	40392
Business operations (profit)	26450
The Batory Foundation	16767
The British Embassy	12831
Corporate donations	12429
J&S ProBono Poloniae Foundation	9550
OAK Foundation	9200
UNICEF Regional Office for CEE/CIS/Baltics	8555
Co-operating Netherlands Foundations for Central Europe	6776
Individual donations	4786
The Mazowsze Provincial Office	3866
PARPA	2865
ILO Geneva	2645
Polskie Wydawnictwa Profesjonalne	2388
Other	1579
Bank interest	801
<b>Total:</b>	<b>249453</b>
Funds used	
Statutory goals	71%
Administrative expenditures	29%

Exchange: 1 EUR = 4.39 PLN

## Contributions in kind:

Dercorn	LU Polska
Duse	Oknoplast Kraków
Expostyl	PLL Lot
Folplex	Redakcja "Dziecko"
Fundacja Bank Żywności SOS	Redakcja "Miś"
Fundacja TVN	VA Strategic Communications
IKEA	www.nadruki.pl
Internet Art	Zakład Poligraficzny BIS
Katro	Żywiec Zdrój S. A.