

## **Summary**

This bachelor thesis deals with the issue of volunteering in a children's home in Sri Lanka, based on real volunteering experience. It aims to introduce the principles of volunteering at Angels Home for Children (Sri Lanka) and to find out the differences between volunteering in children's homes in Sri Lanka and the Czech Republic. It also emphasizes the issue of children growing up in institutional care.

This work consists of theoretical and practical parts. In first, which deals with the theoretical part, volunteering, and institutional education are broadly defined for both the Czech Republic and Sri Lanka. In the second, using a quantitative survey, a specific children's home which cooperates with many volunteers through a volunteer center in the Czech Republic is selected and introduced. Then comparisons are drawn between volunteering in these two children's homes.

## **Keywords**

volunteering, volunteer experience, children's home, institutional care