

This thesis is about work in community in Hostomice, a small town in the North of Bohemia, which has been mostly affected by its historical development after 1989. It has brought some social exclusion problems. The first part deals with the theoretical and fundamental definition of work in community. It deals with the question why this form of social work has no tradition in the Czech Republic. Furthermore, it defines the core terms such as community, a social worker and community work focusing on community development inspired by L. Schuringa and her experience. The theoretical concepts are also put in the situation in Hostomice. The second part is concerned with the civic association Host. pro NelhoStejnost, which started the community work there two years ago. It discusses its foundation, principles and some chosen community projects. At the end of the work there is the assessment of existing work in town Hostomice. Thanks to the work it is clear that community work in a small town can be very special.