

The Medieval Christian charity has built the foundations for today's social services. Even then the specialized facilities for the sick, the poor and pilgrims have been created. There they obtained the necessary attention and care. Agnes of Bohemia is the important representative of the Czech medieval charity. Her social work had began in Prague and spread the Czech lands. The Knights of the Cross with the Red Star are the proof. Agnes founded the original hospice brotherhood from which the order was created. The order activities consisted in hospice care and spiritual administration. In the 16th and 17th century, Grand Master was the Archbishop of Prague at the same time. In Bohemia, Moravia and Silesia the order had managed hospitals and rectories. In the course of history the order has not perished and it continues to the present. The aim of the work is to introduce the medieval charitable services and show how Agnes of Bohemia realized social care in the Czech lands.