

The aim of this dissertation was to monitor the opportunities of development of the current or newly-established organisations providing, replacing or supplementing social services in the town of Příbram. The dissertation was searching the answer to the question how the local authorities might contribute to this development.

The author explained in the theoretical part of the dissertation what social services are and how they are established. Mainly on the basis of the Czech literature she introduced different approaches to the definition of social services. She focused on social services given by the Social Services Act No. 108/2006 with the intention to record and describe their actual work. She described the two most frequent forms of organisations used for providing social services: civic association and welfare society. She elaborated in greater detail their advantages and disadvantages according to their providing of social services. The author was also interested in the conditions which every provider of social services has to fulfill and which influence the work of his organisation. She explained the basis of community planning and explained individual phases of its process. In more detail she described the development of Community planning in Příbram. The results of this community planning served as the basis for the Survey of the needs of subjects providing, replacing or supplementing social services in Příbram.