

ABSTRACT

The central theme of this thesis is the phenomenon of volunteering with an accent to preparation of volunteers in two non-profit organizations, namely INEX-SDA and YMCA in Czech Republic. The structure of the thesis is divided into two parts. The theoretical part follows the basic terms and aims to put the phenomenon of volunteering to the wider context of civic society. The empirical part is focused on description of two chosen non-profit organization and afterwards, it is concentrated on empirical research. The aim of this research is to bring knowledge about educational program of volunteers' preparing to the voluntary activities in named non-profit organizations.

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