

PCPM FOUNDATION SOUTH SUDAN



THE YOUNGEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD

For decades, entire generations of Sudanese were plunged into a ruthless war, the longest in the history of the entire African continent. Today, South Sudan, the youngest country in the world, created in 2011 after seceding from Sudan, is still an arena of violence. People are still killed there. South Sudan is one of those African countries that as a whole only exists on the map, in fact it is broken up into a number of smaller parts that are controlled by individual armed groups, where war is a permanent feature of the country's landscape. The land is ravaged by the struggle suffered from hunger. That is why we have been supporting the Nutrition Center in Gordhim in South Sudan for many years. Thanks to the commitment of our donors, we send regular transports of high-energy food for the locals.

In 2020 we helped 1,322 children, of which:

- **144 were deeply malnourished (red MUAC: Mid Upper Arm Circumference, i.e. on a band measuring the patient's arm, indicating the need for immediate nutritional assistance)**
- **1178 moderately malnourished (yellow MUAC)**



In 2021, the number of extremely malnourished children under the age of 5 reached 1.4 million, which is why we issued an alert for South Sudan at the beginning of the year.

On February 15th, our fifth transport set off: a truck packed to the brim with ready-made food portions. One serving of food based on peanut paste is as much as 500 kcal. It contains all the necessary vitamins and minerals, and is also ready to eat right after opening. The cost of one serving is 1.6PLN / \$0.10.

A STATE OF EMERGENCY DUE TO A PANDEMIC

The activity of the PCPM Foundation in South Sudan began in 2011. We supported 22 health care centres, including one hospital, 5 regional clinics and 16 rural health centres. We illuminated all rural health centres in the Aweil East district, inhabited by 492,000 people, and 5 health centres in other counties. Hospitals and health centres in South Sudan previously had very limited medical care due to the darkness. If it was necessary to deliver a baby at night or provide surgical assistance (e.g. suturing a wound), it usually took place under the light of flashlights held by medical personnel. We continued the project of lighting of medical facilities in the following year.



In 2013, in the state of Northern Bahr, we also got involved in the development of crisis management. We have trained fire brigades in the field of flood prevention, evacuation of people from flood areas and fighting fires. In 2018, we also supported those who found shelter on the other side of the border - at the Bidi Bidi camp in northern Uganda, where we built health centres, improved the living conditions of medical staff, and provided them with accommodation.

MEDICAL RESCUE TEAM OF PCPM

We also provided medical assistance as the PCPM Medical Rescue Team. Doctors and paramedics supported the team at Midigo hospital for a month, where basic equipment is lacking and the number of patients has only grown in recent years because of a short distance from the camp where families from South Sudan live. In addition to personal support, we also provided material assistance in the form of incubators.