

## Who are we?

The Mother's Village is a big family which brings together several communities and associations.

It belongs to the Community of the Herzegovinian Franciscans of the Province of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary in Mostar, BiH. It was founded in 1993, during the war in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The building and operating was started by Father Slavko Barbariæ and the project was aided by the Franciscan School Sisters of The Holy Family from the Herzegovinian Province. The Mother's Village evolved out of the need for protection and care for the children who were wounded by the loss of their homes and parental care during and after the war. It started working officially on September 8, 1996.

The Mother's Village was built and maintained by pilgrims and donors from all over the world.

### WITNESSING TO THE LOVE OF OUR LADY AND ST. FRANCIS IN THE ARMS OF THE CHURCH

The Mother's Village works within the sphere of the Catholic Church and wishes to be a family-like community according to the ideals of the Gospel. With love and trust, it wishes to bring the Good News of peace to those who are broken and wounded.

It strives to witness to Our Lady's love. It serves as a call to all people of good will to become actively involved in the building of a better and more just world.

In the spirit of St. Francis, it wishes to be a school for a healthy and simple way of life, a life with renewed harmony between God, man and nature.

### BASIC ACTIVITIES:

The Children's Village for children and youth

St. Theresa, The Little Flower the day-care center

The Community of THE MOTHER KRISPINA

The Community of THE MERCIFUL FATHER

MEDUGORJE MIR MAJÈINO SELO - registered humanitarian association

Queen Katarina art workshop with art gallery

The Garden of St. Francis a place of rest and prayer

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