

Diaconal task team, SKDBM and CMRN



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Diaconal summit

20+
YEARS

- Congregations + organisations
- Greater cooperation
- Our focus areas
- Ecumenical work



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Unemployment locks millions out

33.6%

official unemployment
8.5 million people

43.8%

broader labour
underutilisation

47.4%

youth 15–34

60.9%

youth 15–24

Young people face the sharpest economic exclusion.

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GBV is a national crisis

7.3m

women experienced
physical violence

2.15m

experienced sexual
violence

50 511

GBVF cases
Q1 2026/27

→ 61%

arrests or
referrals

8 984

child-abuse
cases

36% sexual
abuse

first 3 quarters
2025/26

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Poverty remains entrenched

49.1%
income poverty
2023

57.3%
multidimensional
poverty
education • housing • health

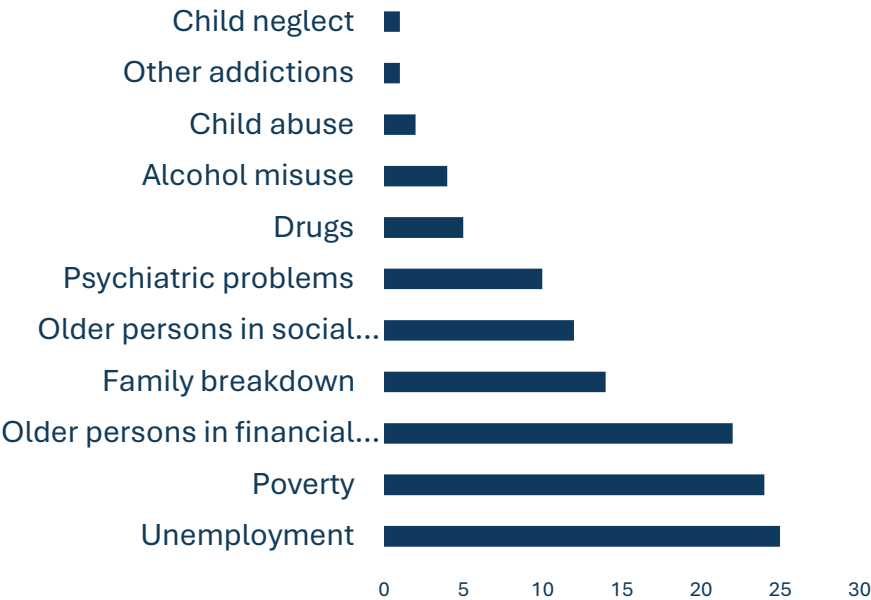
58.6%
2015
↓
49.1%
2023

Children aged 0–17 remain the most affected age group.
Deprivation is both monetary and multidimensional.

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Diaconal focus areas

Unemployment and poverty



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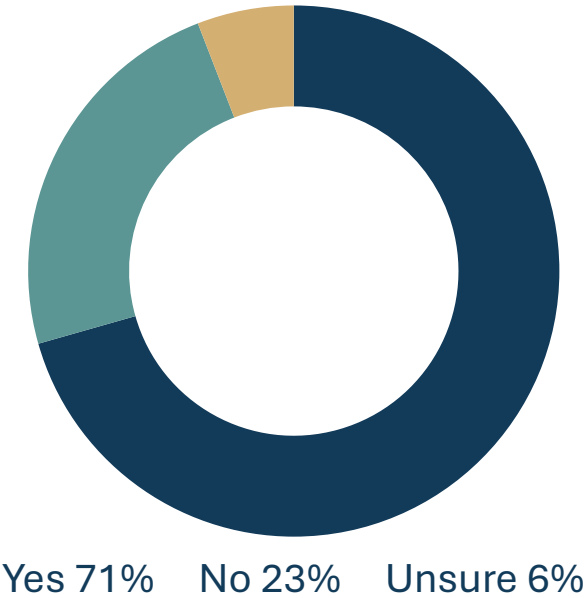


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Congregations and linked NPOs

Does your congregation have a linked non-profit organisation (NPO)?

71%



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General synod CCSS



New developments

01 New membership

02 DIMAS



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Kustodia

Coordination and
management support for
professional social
services



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Elderly care



909

residents

7 homes for senior adults



195

older people

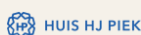
3 self-care homes



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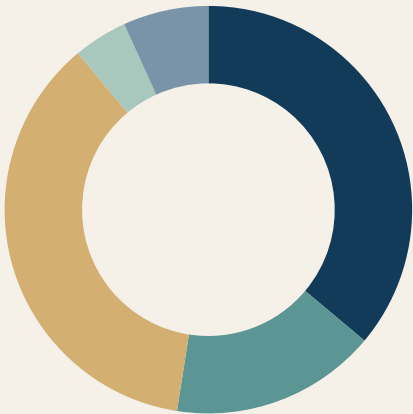
older people

Home-based care in the community



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Income mix in 2026

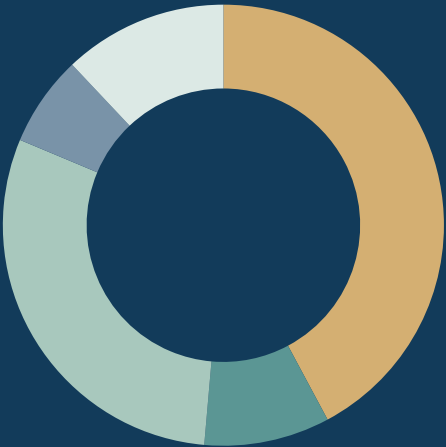


■ Donations	36%
■ State subsidy	16%
■ Occupational income	37%
■ Professional fees	4%
■ Other income	7%

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Expense mix in 2026

- Personnel 42%
- Property maintenance 9%
- Direct services 30%
- Marketing and fundraising 7%
- Supporting services 12%



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Church and subsidy income 1986 and 2026

Service	Church 1986	Church 2026	Subsidy 1986	Subsidy 2026
CMRN	41,40%	24,17%	50,33%	20,51%
Kustodia	56,16%	2,30%	30,37%	0,00%
Children's homes	1,86%	0,29%	92,81%	30,28%
Elderly care	5,52%	0,85%	51,37%	2,66%
Rehab	6,73%	0,60%	62,11%	14,46%

1986 74,54% - 2026 19,56%

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Future priorities: ministry and coordination



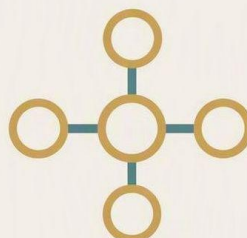
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Diaconate of the church as a priority



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A new generation task team



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Role of Kustodia

Dreaming about the future

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Future priorities: services and funding



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Residential versus community care



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New financial models

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Discussion

Priorities for the next term



01 Should missional diaconate be a priority for the synod? Why?



02 Which needs, services and projects should we focus on next term?



03 What suggestions do you have for us?