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(SLOVAK RED CROSS MUSEUM IN MARTIN)

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The Slovak Red Cross Museum in Martin is the only one specialized museum of its kind in Slovakia. It has been established by the Slovak Red Cross in Bratislava. The SRC Museum is located at the building used by the Slovak Red Cross in Martin, at Moyzesova street No. 1 – at the building of the former Dispensary, where there is also the seat of the Secretariat of the Territorial Union of the Slovak RC in the Turiec region.

The museum was established on February 1, 2000 and as soon as on February 24, 2000 it was ceremonially opened by an exhibition named „*The Red Cross at Peace and War Times*“. The public was revealed documents on the history and activities of the International Red Cross and the Red Cross in Slovakia.

It is just that the city of Martin has become the seat of the SRC Museum, because it has got a long Red Cross tradition. In 1924 – 1938, Martin was the seat of the Slovak division of the Czechoslovak RC. This is mostly the credit of dr. Alica Masaryková, the first president of the Czechoslovak RC (CSRC). She ensured and organized nation-wide activities of the Red Cross from Martin: sanitary movement, nursing, humanitarian aid, activities of young CSRC members and many others. An extensive publishing activity of the CSRC had been associated with the names of renowned Slovak writers. The museum thoroughly documents and presents the history and activities of the Red Cross in Slovakia.

The SRC Museum in Martin gives you the opportunity to learn about the history, importance and activities of the International Red Cross and its 7 principles, with history and activities of the Slovak Red Cross right on the spot, at the exhibition premises of the museum. Using the form of an expert lecture, a class or a specialized presentation of the history of RC, SRC or the international humanitarian law, it can explain not only the basic terms, but it can help to get also in-depth knowledge. Documents,

catalogues and items from the collections of the SRC Museum will help researchers and students in their studies or in drafting their seminar or closing essays or theses.

Upon a booking agreed in advance, the **SRC Museum in Martin** provides *on-site free of charge lectures* on history and importance of the IRC, SRC and the international humanitarian law *in the Turiec region* at schools and institutions. It will prepare members of the I. and II. degree young medical officers patrols for a test of their knowledge on RC and SRC. We can come to kindergartens and tell kids interesting stories about good, help and good nutrition. Based on a special request, the story can be complemented by a demonstration of first aid procedures.

Opening times:

During the visit season: from the beginning of May until the end of October, always from Tuesday to Saturday

from 10.00 AM – 5.00 PM

Beyond the visit season: from the beginning of November until the end of April it is possible to visit the SRC Museum upon a booking by phone from Tuesday to Friday from 8.00 AM – 3.30 PM.

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