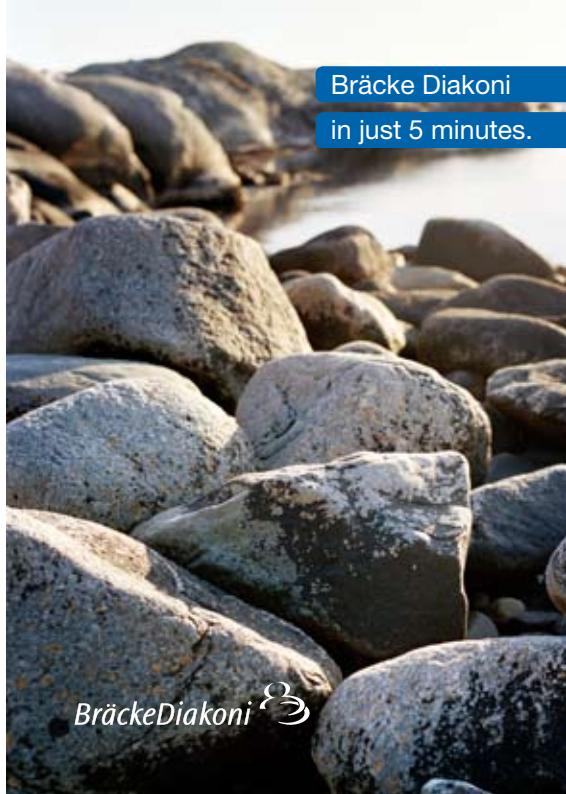



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Can you spare us

5 minutes of your time?

Five minutes. Roughly as long as it takes to read these few pages, which we hope will give you a picture of Bräcke Diakoni.

We live in an age when our time is precious. That's why we are asking for just five minutes of your time. We like to keep up with developments, and we know that this is an age of continuous growth and renewal, a time when individual viewpoints are valued and we look for the most efficient solutions to difficult tasks.

But there is one area where we do not want to go with the flow, and that is when it comes to caring for those around us and having the power to make a difference – which we call diacony. It is not possible to make efficiency improvements when you care for others in a way that treats the whole person. You have to take the time that is needed. That is what diacony means to us.

Martin Ärnlov
Director



Everyone is different. Everyone.

Every person needs to be heard and seen. Listening to someone's thoughts, seeing the way they live and helping them to live as good a life as possible is one of the most important things we can offer.

Going out and meeting different people who live different lives is one of the most important prerequisites for providing the best possible help to those who need us. If we succeed in this task we can deliver the maximum benefit for both the individual and for society.

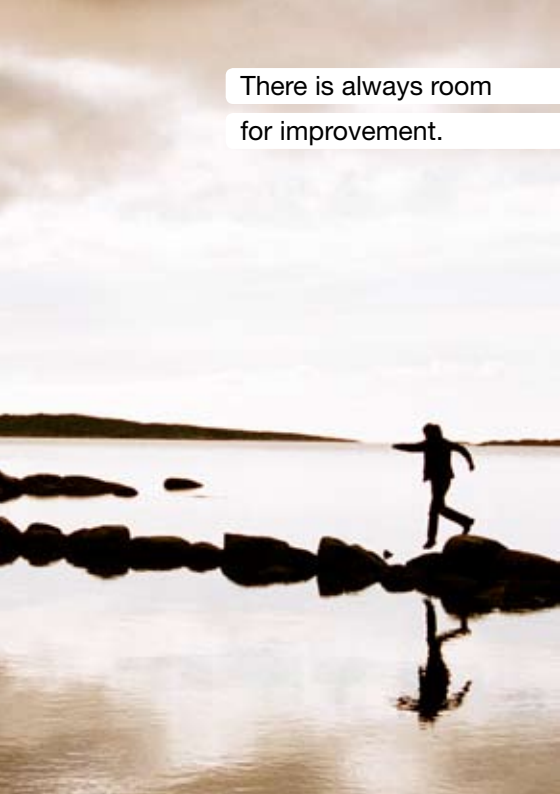
The toughest situations
demand the most attention.



Giving support to those who find themselves in difficult situations is the essence of Bräcke Diakoni.

In our hearts we would like to help everyone, but we naturally can't do that. We therefore develop and extend our knowledge primarily for people with severe physical and mental disabilities. To children, the young and the elderly, and to those who need rehabilitation following cancer. We also support those who are recovering from chronic fatigue syndrome and provide care in the final stages of life. This focus has given us experiences that benefit those who need our support.

There is always room
for improvement.



A new day is always a fresh opportunity to make things better. It is therefore our constant aim to push development forwards. We want to improve the way we work and build on our skills. We want to find completely new ways of solving our tasks that achieve even more benefit from limited financial resources. Renewal is a guiding star that must shine brightly for anyone who wants to become better at helping others to live a better life. We try to follow that star in everything we do, from the big brushstrokes to the tiniest details.

Research is one of several ways of achieving renewal. We therefore have a research unit in Göteborg dedicated to the further development of our methods and our own skills. Each year in Falköping we also award the Jerzy Einhorn stipendium to someone who has helped to improve the lives of people suffering from cancer.




Diacony gives strength

in weak areas.

Göteborgs Diakonianstalt, now Bräcke Diakoni, was founded in 1923 by a few motivated individuals. Their aim was to help the poor of the city by providing nursing and support. At the same time this was a statement against a society that had poor social security provisions.

The situation is different today. Everyone has the right to care and welfare, regardless of their income. Most of today's care providers, public or private, have to be run from a large-scale perspective. Bräcke Diakoni is not driven by the need to make a profit. Our surplus is invested in developing our activities.

Bräcke Diakoni is not guided by a government directive. Our purpose is still to make meaningful contributions for people who need them, and diacony is still a challenging driving force for development and for identifying new needs in the world around us.



Things that are close to our heart

We want to make a contribution. We want to improve things. We therefore focus on a few key areas where we have in-depth knowledge. When translated into practice this knowledge can make life more worthwhile for those who need our support.

The rehabilitation of people with physical and mental disabilities is a large part of our work. Rehabilitation following cancer and assessment, and support to help people recuperate after a long period of illness are other important core elements. Another is providing good accommodation with support and care. Among other things we devise individual, developmental solutions for children and young people.

At our hospice, we provide care in the last stages of life. We also offer a variety of courses in our core areas, including professional courses in residential training, teaching social workers in the realities of life in a district, or running courses for those who want to work with diacony.



You'll find us here ...

Bräcke Diakoni has bases in Falköping, Göteborg, Lerum, Linköping and Ljungskile.

In Falköping, on the hillside of Mösseberg, we have a RehabCenter, a home for the elderly and the Kurorten Mösseberg hotel and conference facilities.

In Göteborg, Bräcke Diakoni has premises in the districts of Angered and Bräcke, on Hisingen. We have been active in Bräcke since 1927, and this centre now focuses on rehabilitation, training, hospice care and various forms of accommodation that provide support and welfare. Our management team are also based here.

Just outside Göteborg, in Lerum, we have accommodation for the elderly and the Humanhälsan company healthcare centre.



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In the heart of Bohus county, in Ljungskile, is the Treklöverhemmet RehabCenter, which specialises in neurology. The special location provides good opportunities for activities linked to the sea and nature.

In Linköping we have accommodation for the elderly in Skräddaregården/Spinnrocken, Bastuplan and Gottfridbergs gård. We also provide service apartments and sheltered accommodation for people with dementia here.



Bräcke Diakoni is an independent ideological foundation that developed out of the traditions and social commitment of the Church of Sweden.

We employ over 600 people as well as volunteers who make valuable contributions for no financial reward. Bräcke Diakoni is involved in several international and national networks that exchange experiences and pursue common issues for the benefit of their activities. We are also members of FAMNA – a national organisation that provides care and welfare without any expectation of profit. Our income comes mainly from the government, county councils and municipalities that buy our services.

We also receive grants from the Church of Sweden, as well as gifts and donations. We use this money, together with any surplus from our activities, to improve the work we do. Your support is always welcome, no matter how big or small.