La Rueca Association is a non-profit organisation founded in 1990 by a group of professionals working in social and cultural fields. Since then, it has been engaged in various programmes and projects that aim to improve the quality of life and the welfare of the most vulnerable groups in our society.

**OUR ASSOCIATION’S AIMS**
To bring about the inclusion of socially vulnerable individuals, focusing on young people at risk and contributing to the positive transformation of society.

**WHAT WE DO**
We provide social assistance to vulnerable people, helping them gain autonomy and independence, while fostering community participation and networking.

**WHO DOES IT**
A multidisciplinary team of professionals working in the social field, specialising in four areas: Socio-educational Intervention, Employment and Training, Cultural Diversity and Community Development and Social Technology.

**HOW WE DO IT**
Through social support, socio-educational intervention, employment and training, social technology, training for professionals, community engagement, social participation and networking.

**OUR VALUES ARE**
Commitment, quality and creativity.

**OUTCOMES OF LA RUECA’S WORK IN 2016**
1,665 participants in healthy leisure activities
7,883 participants in awareness-raising
872 young people at risk
22,424 participants in community activities
56,481 vulnerable people assisted
33,041 foreign nationals assisted
1,273 people in social intervention
8 social support centres
209 employment integration opportunities
58 partner companies
2,419 people in Spanish language classes
294 professionals trained
295 training actions
4,638 people trained
67 vocational training courses
862 assisted with digital literacy

**OUR TEAM**

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SOCIAL IMPACT OF SOCIAL INCLUSION STRATEGIES

Social assistance
1,273 socially vulnerable people have been comprehensively assisted through La Rueca Association to help them achieve independence and improve their quality of life.

Socio-educational intervention
In 2016, 218 children at risk have been involved in socio-educational programmes.

Employment and training
By means of personalised pathways for integration into employment, we have worked with 508 people during 2016. 67 courses involving vocational training and preparation for employment, together with 58 companies from various sectors, have led to 209 employment opportunities for vulnerable and socially excluded people.

Social technology
Through La Rueca Association and its 6 ICT suites, 862 people of all ages have participated in ICT workshops. Our organisation strives to ensure that social technology is a tool for aiding people’s social inclusion and integration into employment.

Training for professionals
During this year, 294 professionals have enrolled in 11 e-learning courses delivered through our digital training platform, Campus La Rueca (http://formacion.larueca.info/).

Community engagement and social participation
2016 has seen the participation of 22,424 local people in community development programmes with an intercultural, intergenerational approach and a focus on gender, equal rights and improvement of the quality of community life.

Networking
Our operational DNA is shaped by the nexus between the Government, specialist experts and the local community where we operate. La Rueca Association is an active participant in the following platforms: EAPN-Madrid, FEVOCAM, Red Joven y Empleo, Foro Madrid de Diálogo y Convivencia, Red Conecta, AEISM, EMPLAZA and Asociación Nacional de Escuelas de Segunda Oportunidad (E2O). We are also actively involved in constructing the InnovaciONG group for the management of change, composed of the non-profit organisations Atenea, Provivienda, Realidades y La Rueca Asociación.

We want to ensure TRANSPARENCY by means of OUR ACCOUNTABILITY to the people with whom we work, to society, to suppliers, to our financial supporters and, above all, to the people for whom we work.

REVENUE 2016
 Contracts and agreements 56.34%
 Regional subsidies 2.12%
 Municipal subsidies 26.82%
 State subsidies 4.75%
 Other subsidies 3.05%
 Donations and other 6.92%

EXPENDITURE
 Personnel 84.46%
 Project costs 11.16%
 Operating expenditure 3.88%
 Repayments 0.50%

Financial report
La Rueca Association is committed to upholding the policy of transparency and accountability that it has followed in recent years, and this section aims to offer a clear and accurate overview of the management of our funds during 2016. As an additional measure to ensure the association’s transparency, as of 2008, our accounts have been subject to external auditing.

During 2016, La Rueca Association has increased the total amount of funds which it manages by more than 2% compared with the previous year, a figure amounting to over €2,250,000 in revenue. And with regard to expenditure, the most significant item remains staff costs, which have increased by more than 1.5% compared with the previous year.

REVENUE BY YEAR

And we continue...

weaving the social fabric

Our purpose as a social entity is based on our principles and values: that people in situations of social vulnerability and at risk of exclusion can improve their lives and the neighbourhoods where they live, all with the support of a team of devoted professionals committed to achieving high levels of professional quality in our endeavours.

In 2017, our actions have a tighter focus on YOUNG PEOPLE AT RISK and the promotion of socially responsible areas.

The strategic areas for 2017 are:

- YOUTH EMPLOYMENT for young people at risk
- Setting up the SECOND CHANCE SCHOOL
- Consolidating TECNOLAB LA RUECA as a tool for social inclusion.

Summary of the 2016 Annual Report of La Rueca Association, produced in line with environmental sustainability criteria. The full digital version can be found at www.larueca.info