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# The Association United in Hope

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The Association *United in Hope* was founded by the survivors and relatives of the victims of the shooting at the Faculty of Arts, Charles University, which occurred on December 21, 2023. The goal of the association is to bring together all those affected by this tragedy in any way. It aims to create a community where its members can support each other and develop activities that have real meaning. The name of the association symbolizes its main purpose: mutual connection, support, and sharing. The association strives to ensure that those affected have access to support in an environment that is sensitive and responsive to their needs.

*"Our goal is not only to preserve the memory of the victims and support those affected, but we also want to actively contribute to preventing similar events from happening,"* explained Adéla Linhartová, a member of the association.



*Radek Veber, MAFRA*

The Association United in Hope aims to focus primarily on the following activities:

- Preserving the memory of the victims of the shooting at the Faculty of Arts, Charles University, on December 21, 2023 (hereinafter referred to as the event) and organizing memorial events;?
- Caring for temporary and permanent memorials associated with this event;?
- Supporting individuals directly and indirectly affected by the event;
- Promoting awareness, education, and increasing public knowledge on violence prevention, trauma management, and victim support;?
- Supporting self-help and community activities, creating spaces for mutual assistance and sharing experiences;?
- Advocating for legislative changes that will lead to greater safety and violence prevention;?
- Collaborating with governmental, non-governmental, and other relevant organizations, the media, and the public.

The newly established Association United in Hope held a [press conference](#) on March 6, 2025, to present to the public and media the key reasons for banning the use of suppressors on short firearms and the conclusions of a critical analysis of the report by the Association of Accredited Entities for the Training of State Reserve (ASSZ).?The Association United in Hope, z. s., believes that the adoption of a ban on suppressors for short firearms will contribute to preventing similar tragic events and enhancing the safety of all citizens of the Czech Republic.

The association's website is currently under development.

