Abstract:

This master's thesis explores the opportunities and difficulties faced by clients of shelter houses in securing employment. The objective of the study is to identify factors influencing the job placement of this target group. The thesis introduces the institution of shelter houses, their legislative framework, and types of shelter houses from the perspective of target groups. It also delves into the phenomenon of unemployment, focusing on clients of shelter houses, its common causes, and its impacts on this group. The work highlights the employment opportunities available to shelter house clients, including options offered by active employment policies such as retraining, publicly beneficial work, and socially useful positions. It further discusses unemployment support, individual plans used in shelter houses, job activation, protected and open labor markets, training job positions, and also inappropriate employment opportunities. Finally, the thesis identifies the most common barriers to employment in the labor market, including low levels of education and qualifications, indebtedness, psychological and health disadvantages, employer prejudices, and limiting socio-cultural environments. The study also includes a quantitative survey conducted through questionnaires, aiming to identify factors positively and negatively influencing the employment of shelter house clients in Prague based on the opinions of this target group.

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