

# → *people at risk of social exclusion*

Over 13 million Spanish citizens are prone to social exclusion. Unemployment, education level, difficulty of access to a home, low income, leaving an assistance or penitentiary facility, or an addiction problem are just some of the catalysts leading to social exclusion. Entering the job market is one of the most effective ways of facing these problems.

Aware of this problem equation, Clece believes in a more inclusive job market. Today there are 501 employees coming from this social segment working actively within the company, more than double the amount of the past year and six-fold that of 2013.

Beyond employment integration, the company cooperates with different associations, foundations and administrations, with the goal of advancing work for unemployed women, drug addicted individuals or ex-convicts, among others. Similarly, Clece develops on a local level, charitable activities for the benefit of individuals at risk of social exclusion as well as donations and food drives or basic necessity goods and items.

## SITUATION OF SOCIAL EXCLUSION IN SPAIN

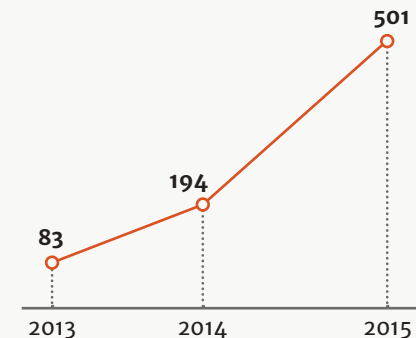
**27.3%**  
of the Spanish population

**1.3 million**  
people more than in 2009

**2 points**  
more than the European AROPE rate average

SOURCE: REPORT ON THE STATE OF POVERTY IN SPAIN (EAPN-SPAIN)

## TREND PROGRESSION FOR WORK PLACEMENT OF SOCIALLY EXCLUDED INDIVIDUALS AT CLECE (AS OF JUNE)





### *When the only future is to emigrate*

Harouna is a Senegalese boy who at the age of 15 decided to cross Africa and get on a paddle-boat in search of new opportunities with a life in Spain. An adventure filled with danger which took 15 days.

After passing through countless centres for minors and shelters he arrived at the home “Campo Madre de Dios” managed by Clece in Córdoba, where he is helped to draw up a life-project, receiving training for the job market and teaching him abilities for his integration into society (managing his money, getting subsidies, etc.). And just when his maximum permitted shelter period was ending, his opportunity arrived: a job at one of the Clece businesses devoted to environmental services, Talher.

With his first earnings he rented a shared apartment and in 2015, 7 years after beginning his adventure, he managed for the first time to visit his home country. And to quote him upon his return, with a smile: “This time it only took 4 and a half hours to get to Spain”.

## *Lola reclaims her life*

Lola's story is one of those with a happy ending. When she arrived at the halfway house centre "Campo Madre de Dios", managed by Clece, her situation was very difficult.

There, after overcoming a drug addiction problem, work was undertaken with her to lay out a personalised itinerary with the goal of finding a job, the best way to reintegrate with society.

Little by Little, and with the help of the centre's specialists, Lola managed to conquer and get over her issues. Besides this, finding a job as an assistant in Home Help Services at Clece provided her with the Independence and autonomy required in taking the first steps in reconnecting with her family and friends.

Today, Lola has found her place and is back to being her true self. Her life experience is an example of how social exclusion can also be escaped, with the necessary resources.





### *Starting again*

The case of Raúl is a real example of improvement and will power. “I went through a series of difficulties that I was unable to face, which lead me seek refuge in drugs”, he explains. However his drug addiction for twelve years did not fully consume him and he built-up the will to get out of the hole he was in.

With the help of Proyecto Hombre and the job he got in the cleaning service in a hospital managed by Clece, Raúl was able to start again from scratch. Not only did it change his own life, but also those of all his loved ones: parents, wife, sisters and friends. “One must never lose hope, I began to believe in myself and thanks to that all of these things are coming together for me” he states, emotionally.