

## The Grashenko Family

### Dates of visits:

January 25<sup>th</sup>

February 12<sup>th</sup>

March 19h, 2008

**Report:** This was the Grashenko family's first quarter in the "Care" program. During this quarter, Natalia quit her job because they refused to pay her maternity leave. She and her two children are currently living on a small government stipend for single mothers, and child support from her former husband, who is way behind in his payments. In



February, Natalia's brother was robbed and beaten, and Natalia gave him what little money she said. The help that the Grashenko family receives through the "Care" program is their main source of sustenance. Natalia expresses sincere gratitude every time she receives the help, and is especially glad for the baby food. Also, in February another family in the "Care" program passed on their crib for Natalia's infant, Nikolai.

Groceries received (monthly): milk, butter, canned meat and fish, canned peas and corn, tomato paste, oatmeal, dried beans, split peas, buckwheat groats, cooking oil, macaroni, flour, rice and dried soup mixes. Baby food received (monthly): vitamin-fortified infant formula and cereal

Medicines received (March): children's vitamins, fever reducer, cough syrup, rose hip syrup, cod liver oil, charcoal pills (first aid for poisoning), iodine, bandages and gauze.