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The following report highlights some of the main activities of St John Malta during 2021.

Throughout the year St John Malta volunteers have contributed over 15,000 hours of voluntary work across a wide variety of activities. The year was again dominated by restrictions brought about by the COVID-19 pandemic which continued to cause a significant reduction in the number of public events.

Nevertheless, the various units of St John Malta have been very active providing services related to COVID-19 contact tracing, administration of vaccines and responding to major emergencies by the Rescue Corps.

In November, St John Malta also participated in a national exercise organised by the University of Malta and the Civil Protection Department to simulate response to a tsunami emergency at the southern part of the island of Malta.

The training branch also experienced an increase in demand for St John First Aid training although the number of certificates issued has not yet reached pre-pandemic levels.

A total of 1,446 First Aid related certificates were issued throughout the year.

98 certificates were issued for training in the use of medical gasses.

50 persons were trained for Blood Pressure and Hemo Glucose Testing

344 persons received certificates for Fire Warden Training

Surely, one of the most important highlights of the year was the recognition which the organisation received on Republic Day when St John Rescue Corps was made a Member of the National Order of Merit by H.E. The President George Vella. To date, this is the highest form of recognition ever awarded to an organisation by the State, a truly remarkable achievement for all the members of the organisation to have their work recognised in such a way.

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