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### Dear sponsors, dear readers,

The past year presented our association with great challenges. After the effects of the Corona pandemic, we were all put to an enormous test. The associated inflation has caused a decline in the overall willingness to donate last year.

In contrast, I was especially pleased to see that, after the pandemic, the children and adolescents in our projects were finally able to participate in joint activities again.

In 2022, our focus continued to be on educational programmes to strengthen the resilience of children and adolescents by offering support during homework and general learning. We also furthered the children's knowledge and understanding of a balanced and seasonal diet through numerous offers.

The psychosocial support of children and adolescents with traumatic experiences remains particularly close to our hearts. Participation in sports activities and excursions, which were impossible during the pandemic, contributes significantly to the recovery of those affected. At the same time, this gives them the opportunity to take part in cultural and creative leisure activities.

We rely on your donations, dear sponsors! With your financial support, we can maintain our projects and continue with future expansions.

Our goal was, is, and remains to prioritise the well-being of children and adolescents. Our work is meant to help them lead a self-determined and happy life in the future.

We would like to thank all sponsors and donors of the LR Global Kids for their contribution! Only with your help, we are able to continue our work!

With kind regards,

Kirsten Ueckmann  
 Chairperson of LR Global Kids Fund e. V.





## Change of management

### General assembly decides in favour of concentrated girl power

Kirsten Ueckmann is the new Chairwoman of the LR Global Kids Fund e. V. Board of Directors. This decision was made at the general meeting on 22 September 2022. For over ten years, Kirsten Ueckmann has been an integral part of the LRGKF management team and succeeds Andreas Friesch in her new role.

Her election as Chairwoman of the Board is a significant event for Kirsten Ueckmann. The Gütersloh resident makes it clear how excited she is with her new task: "Children are our future! However, many of them are denied quality education, and as such the chance for a promising future. Our help is indispensable, especially in current times. Making the world of many disadvantaged children a little bit better, day by day, is very important to me and the entire LRGKF team."

Kirsten Ueckmann will be supported in her new position by Almut Kellermeyer, who will continue to operate as deputy chairwoman for the next two years. With the election of the new board, the LRGKF is led by two women for the first time in the history of the association.

"We're very pleased about this", emphasises Almut Kellermeyer. "With concentrated girl power, we will continue to do everything we can to support disadvantaged kids and teenagers – for example, through a variety of educational programmes and with the help of effective measures for personal development."

## Cheque presentation Lunch Club

### Great willingness to donate for small dancers

Many beaming faces on 8 April. On this day, the LRGKF handed over a donation cheque worth 2,500 euros to Heike Gründken, director of the RTL Kinderhaus Lunch Club Ahlen.

The sum of money was used to realise a "lifedance® project" with Uli Bangert, inventor and protagonist of the lifedance® method. With this innovative method, children learn to express their feelings through dance. As such, the method supports the children in developing feelings of self-worth, self-love and mindfulness. Dancing also strengthens the children's community building, thus preventing bullying.

This special donation was the result of generous donations of multiple LR sales partners. They were able to contribute in this way to strengthening children's self-confidence in a very special way.



## Design reflects magic of Christmas

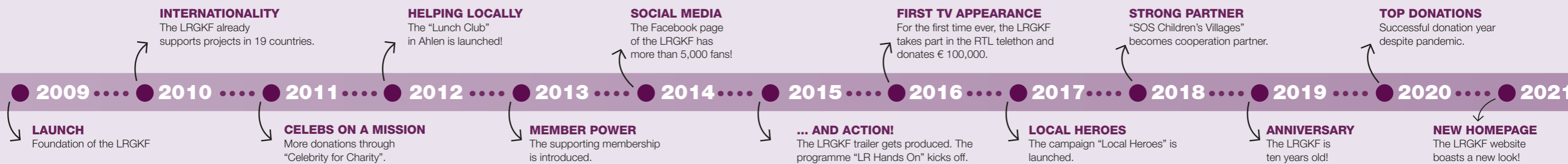
Once again, Ahlen's Lunch Club kids provided the inspiration for the sixth motif of the LR charity cup. Many designs were made and coloured on a wintry afternoon, creating a template for this year's Christmas mug.

After the fine work of the professionals at the LR Media Factory, a starry Christmas sky is now adorned by filagree reindeer, inviting you to dream. The limited and very popular special edition of this Villeroy & Boch mug was also an important factor in this year's LR Christmas business. The LRGKF was delighted with the mug's proceeds of ten euros per unit sold!

## Fundraising campaign #WhatDoYouSwap

In 2022, prices for end consumers rose sharply in accordance with inflation, significantly restricting many people in their spending. This also affected the willingness to donate to Children's charity. With its fundraising campaign #WhatDoYouSwap, the association planned to not only raise its own profile, but also point out how easy it can be to make a small regular donation.

The theme of #WhatDoYouSwap symbolised that even by doing without a small thing in one's everyday life, such as a cappuccino, they can finance a new toy for a child, for example a ball. Such a sacrifice does not cause serious restrictions for one's life, but can be "swapped" with a child to bring them great joy. This campaign illustrated how many small donations can still make a big difference!



## Revenue

<b>Charity proceeds</b>	<b>552,996.11 €</b>
Donations sponsoring members	212,681.31 €
Additional donations	5,666.80 €
Donations LR Health & Beauty	334,432.00 €
Membership fees	216.00 €
<b>Fund management</b>	<b>15,000.00 €</b>
Sponsoring	15,000.00 €
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<b>Total</b>	<b>567,996.11 €</b>

## Expenses

<b>Project support</b>	<b>414,440.00 €</b>
National	202,500.00 €*
International	211,940.00 €
Special payment	0.00 €
<b>Advertising and administrative costs**</b>	<b>32,909.80 €</b>
Advertising	0.00 €
Administration	32,909.80 €
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<b>Total</b>	<b>447,349.80 €</b>

<b>Result of the association</b>	<b>120,646.31 €</b>
Share in advertising and administrative costs	7.36 %

\* The LRGKF donated € 2,500 to the RTL Kinderhaus Lunch Club for a "lifdance" project (see highlights).

\*\* Expenses for advertising and administrative costs are covered by LR Health & Beauty.

All other donations go to the LR Global Kids Fund e. V. in full.





For our visit to the studio, our association's chairwoman of the board, Kirsten Ueckmann, brought a donation cheque worth 200,000 euros, which she handed over to RTL charity chief Wolfram Kons during her live appearance.

„Even though this year was the LRGKF's seventh time taking part, handing over the cheque was still a very special moment for me. I would also like to thank the “Stiftung RTL – Wir helfen Kindern e. V.” for the smooth running of the event.”, Ueckmann sums up.

Through their long-lasting and sustainable cooperation, the LR Global Kids Fund and the “Stiftung RTL – Wir helfen Kindern e. V.” support disadvantaged children and young people with the goal of giving them the chance of a more positive future. Taking part in the RTL telethon has almost become a tradition for the LRGKF. Nevertheless, a commitment on such a scale is not a matter of course. As a non-profit organisation, we also depend on the willingness to donate of our supporters.

**Donation: € 200,000**

## RTL donation marathon

**LR Global Kids Fund presents donation cheque worth 200,000 euros at 27th RTL donation marathon.**

“Roll camera” was the motto on 18 November 2022 at the big TV appearance of the LR Global Kids Fund e. V.: We were guests of “Stiftung RTL – Wir helfen Kindern e. V.” at their 27th RTL telethon.



## RTL Kinderhaus Lunch Club Ahlen (Germany)

In Ahlen, there live around 2,000 kids whose families receive social benefits. The financial situation of their families, long-term unemployment and psychological problems mark the development of these children and teenagers. Many socially disadvantaged children are dependent on alternative services such as the “Lunch Club” in the afternoons.

Due to a lack of support options from parents, many of the children who visit the Lunch Club are found to have learning difficulties,

problems at school and are lacking social skills. The majority of the kids come from educationally disadvantaged families and are confronted with multiple problems at once (e.g. lacking knowledge of the German language and/or intense experiences as refugees).

The kids and young adults at the RTL Kinderhaus were offered weekly educational courses particularly to improve their social skills, creativity, exercise and nutrition education. In the “Nutrition Club”, the children were taught by qualified professional how to keep a balanced, sustainable and seasonally healthy diet. Daily meals were prepared with the help of a cook and eaten together. During afternoons in the “Learn Club”, kids received individual aid during homework supervision and language support. Joint recreational activities rounded out the programme: excursions, special activities and holiday programmes all took place.

After two years of continuous transitional solutions, moving into the new premises became one of the most important highlights for the Lunch Club in 2022. This event was celebrated accordingly with a large, successful opening party.

In 2022, up to 84 children and young people visited the Lunch Club regularly, and the association's team of pedagogical professionals were in contact with a total of 56 families from East Ahlen altogether. The project's goal was to provide the children with stability and continuity in care.

**Donation: € 202,500**





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## Albania

### SOS Children's Village Tirana & family strengthening programme Shkodër

In 2022, after the lifting of official Covid-19 regulations, the children and adolescents of the SOS Children's Village in Tirana could finally return to normal life. Joint leisure activities like small trips were organised to bring variety and positive experiences into children's everyday life. Sports enthusiasts also had another regular opportunity to follow their passion like playing football. In addition, educational offers in the form of languages courses (in English and German) were provided. A ten-day summer camp furthermore allowed all children and adolescents to develop their creativity and broaden their horizon in a playful way.

SOS Children's Village Tirana is providing a loving and caring home for vulnerable children. Every child receives individualised support according to their specific needs. A special focus is put on their psychosocial development as well as their mental health and physical well-being. In cases of malnutrition or illness, appropriate measures are taken (e.g. treatment with supplements or medication).

Furthermore, vulnerable families in the community were supported with seeds and seedlings to enhance their food production through their own agriculture, and to enable a balanced diet of fruits and vegetables for their children.

As part of the programme for psychosocial development and the improvement of nutrition, we reached a total of 170 children and young people.

**Donation: € 10,000**

## Belgium

### SOS Children's Village Chantevent

Even in Belgium, there are many people threatened by poverty. Not all children have the opportunity to grow up with their biological parents or live financially carefree lives with their families.

The SOS Children's Village Chantevent offers children a family-like environment and loving care tailored to their individual needs. For this purpose, different support services and educational offers are provided in the form of classes, courses or workshops that children are able to join. The specific needs of each child are always put at the centre of the pedagogical work.

Through psychosocial activities, the mental and physical well-being of the children and adolescents is strengthened. By participating in cultural or educational activities for example, they learn to have confidence in other people and especially in their own abilities. They can also take part in various leisure activities and grow into self-confident individuals with a positive outlook on the future.

**Thanks to the support of the LR Global Kids Fund e. V. and its donors, 43 children and adolescents were supported with high-quality educational and leisure activities.**

**Donation: € 10,000**



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## Greece

### SOS Children's Village Vari

Mental health is as important for the development and well-being of children as their physical health. The SOS Children's Village Vari has been existing for more than 40 years and empowering children and adolescents to overcome past traumas. With holistic and individualised support, they learn to deal with their behavioural problems in order to grow into independent and confident human beings. At first, it is of great importance to build healthy relationships, because these are the basis for the development of a child's self-esteem and confidence. In a loving and caring family environment, children in Vari can then rediscover trust in themselves and others.

In individual or group sessions with experienced psychologists, the children and adolescents learn to act with confidence, talk about difficult issues and express their emotions in a healthy manner.

The caregivers of the first SOS Children's Village in Greece offer children and adolescents a variety of therapeutic options, such as counselling for families in difficult situations, support for young adults on their way to a self-determined life and different methods of therapy, which can be adapted to needs of the specific child or young person. The objective is to promote a child's strength and resilience, and to prepare children and young people for a self-reliant future life.

**With the donation of the LR Global Kids Fund e. V., we supported 41 children and financed 21 caregivers.**

**Donation: € 10,000**

## Romania

### SOS Children's Village Bucharest

Even though Romania experienced economic growth in the past few years, many people are still affected by poverty. Especially children are in danger – the risk of poverty in Romania is considered the highest in Europe, at around 41.5 per cent.\*

In the SOS Children's Village in Bucharest, children find a safe and secure place, and receive the support needed to grow up into courageous, resilient personalities. An important component of the pedagogical work on-site is the trauma healing therapy, as many of the children have gone through challenging and traumatic experiences in their past. Through stable relationships and therapy sessions, the children are empowered to heal.

With the support of psychologists and by using suitable therapy methods, they learned how to handle their aggression, fears, grief and mood swings, and to find an appropriate form of expression. The array of treatments is diverse and adapted to the personal needs of each child. The children and adolescents could choose between private and group sessions, during which different forms of therapy were offered, such as drama, art, music and dance therapy.

**With the support of the association, 33 children were strengthened in their personal development and cared for in their mental and physical health through therapeutic offers.**

**Donation: € 10,000**

\*Source: Child poverty on the rise in Europe: Almost 20 million affected | tagesschau.de article from March 2023



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## Spain

### SOS Day Care Center Madrid

The SOS Day Care Center in Madrid provides pedagogical and psychological support to vulnerable children and their families of the surrounding neighbourhoods. The children here are supported during their early childhood development (aged 0-3 years), and parents improve their parenting skills through training offers. The main objective is to enable families to create a supportive environment for their children and to strengthen their bonds.

Through care and counselling services, the day care center holistically supports the basic needs of children – those of affection, safety, food, rest and hygiene – and strengthens parents in their ability to take care of their children. Special support is furthermore offered, focusing on the development of psychomotor, sensory and linguistic skills of the children. Thereby strengthening their self-esteem and social competence.

**With the help of the association, 330 children were supported and cared for. For them, a place of safety and interaction was created.**

**Donation: € 10,000**



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This picture comes from the worldwide programme work of SOS Children's Villages and serves to illustrate the day care centre in Spain.

## Russia

### SOS Children's Village Pushkin

In the SOS Children's Village Pushkin, children and adolescents are empowered through needs-oriented support services and the development of stable relationships. The objective is to strengthen their physical and mental health, and to pave their way into a self-determined and promising life.

The individual stories of the children and the resulting behavioural problems are unique. Through the support of the LR Global Kids Fund e. V., therapy sessions for children with speech disorders were enabled in order to enhance their language development. In addition to that, adolescents with problematic behavioural patterns received therapeutic support to overcome these issues and mature into self-reliant and confident adults. Children could furthermore participate in art and music classes, which helped them to develop their talents and created a space for expressing their feelings, thoughts and emotions in an artistic way. At the same time, quality leisure activities were offered to the children and youth, such as excursions and outdoor activities.

**With the help of the association, 17 children could attend speech therapy sessions, 33 children joined art therapy classes and 31 children experienced individual psychological support. Music lessons were offered to various age groups: pre-schoolers, primary school children and teenagers. Five children also received individual singing and piano lessons. 102 children benefitted from the leisure time activities.**

**Donation: € 15,000**

*Note: The membership of SOS Children's Villages Russia in the worldwide federation of SOS Children's Villages was suspended by the International Senate in May 2023. The suspension will remain in place until the Russian SOS Children's Villages association can prove that it complies with the SOS Children's Villages International statutes and the humanitarian principles of humanity, neutrality, impartiality and independence. As a result, our association has stopped funding the project until further notice.*



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## South Korea

### SOS Children's Village Daegu

Sometimes it can be difficult to find the motivation needed to repeat educational content or to complete assigned homework. Many students fight with bad learning habits, poor academic performance, or are uncertain about their future. To overcome these academic challenges, the South Korean SOS Children's Village Daegu offers a place of learning, of growth and of individual support. The main objective of the programme is to help young people find their career and realise their dreams.

A total of 50 children and adolescents live at SOS Children's Village Daegu. As part of the "Children Learning Support" programme and with the help of local educators and tutors, the children's academic performance has been improved and a promising pathway into their future formed. With the support of caregivers, the children learn to set their own goals and make use of different learning methods to accomplish set goals. By attending an academy, using workbooks or visiting online courses – the children have many ways of developing their potential.

Thanks to the "Children Learning Support" programme, many children have already improved their academic performance and grown into confident, motivated and determined personalities. This programme sets the cornerstone for a successful future and enables children to find their own way.

**30 children were supported within the "Children Learning Support" programme at the SOS Children's Village Daegu.**

**Donation: € 10,000**

## Ukraine

### SOS Children's Village Kiev (Region Brovary)

In 2022, 18 foster families and their children were supported through the SOS Children's Village Kyiv (region Brovary). Many of those children have experienced violence and neglect in their early lives, which caused behavioural problems, such as aggression, depression or fear of loss. Through special therapies, children and adolescents learn how to handle their past and better deal with their feelings and themselves. In a family-like environment, they are given a chance to develop and regain their emotional stability for a promising future.

At the start of the war – in February 2022 – the children and families of the SOS Children's Village Kyiv (region Brovary) were evacuated immediately to guarantee their safety. Thus, the majority of foster families found refuge in the SOS Children's Villages in Poland. As of today, the pedagogical professionals of the SOS Children's Village Kyiv offer their services mostly online or in presence for those families currently located in Ukraine.

**With the help of the LR Global Kids Fund and its donors, 112 children were supported psychologically through various forms of therapy.**

**Donation: € 10,000**



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## Bulgaria

"For our children" is a Bulgarian children's home for children aged 0-7 years, who had to be taken out of serious crisis situations because they have experienced systemic neglect and violence.

The team of the children's home consists of a director, a social worker and eight babysitters who take care of the little residents of the home around the clock. They respond to their needs and fears, calm them down, rejoice with them and share every moment the children experience and share with them in a family environment.

"For our children" opens up a new world for children who have not experienced love, care and appreciation from their parents in their lives. In addition to their physical and mental health and education, the specialised professionals also try to bring joy back into the children's lives, teach them new things and encourage their development through play and experiences. The children should get to know a perfectly normal environment, so they can develop. This is no matter of course for the children in this facility. In the end, however, the goal is to reintegrate the child into its biological family. Afterwards, the family receives continued support via the project.

**The organisation works to improve the living conditions of children and to offer them better prospects for the future.**

**Donation: € 20,000**

## France

The French organisation "L'association Etoiles des Neiges" is dedicated to supporting children suffering from cystic fibrosis. Cystic fibrosis is a genetic disease which mainly affects the lungs and the digestive system. It usually appears during childhood and can lead to various symptoms, such as chronic cough, breathing difficulties, recurrent lung infections and digestive problems. Cystic fibrosis is a lifelong condition that requires comprehensive medical care. Affected people unfortunately only have a life expectancy of about 40 years.

However, there are treatment options to alleviate the symptoms and improve the quality of life. Exercise can be helpful in treating cystic fibrosis. Regular physical activity can contribute to improving lung function, increasing endurance and strengthening overall health. Exercise opens the airways and makes it easier to cough up mucus.

"L'association Etoiles des Neiges" finances specially trained coaches, sports equipment and special sports days for affected children and adolescents. The annual highlight is a visit to the surf camp. The participants come from different hospitals and are able to gain fantastic experiences for body and mind together, to return to their everyday life with newfound strength.

**With the support of our association, 2 surf camps could be organised for 20 affected people. A total of over 120 children and teenagers benefitted from the sports and support offers this year.**

**Donation: € 25,000**



## Italy

### L'Albero della Vita

The day care centre "CasaZeroSei" is located right in the heart of Milan and is regarded as a safe refuge for children and adolescents in dire straits for over 20 years. The ZeroSei house particularly specialises in taking in children aged 0-6 years, who had to be separated from their family of origin due to violence, abuse or neglect.

"CaseZeroSei" enables the accommodated children to develop in reading areas and many different play and study rooms, and recover from past incidents. Under the supervision of educators, psychologists and local services, and with the comprehensive support of the "L'Albero della vita" organisation, the accommodated children are prepared for a better future at adoptive and foster families with lots of care.

Since its founding in 2001, the "ZeroSei" house helped over 120 children to reawaken a feeling of familial security and, with professional help, find new families for many of the accommodated children.

2022 continued to be marked by the health emergency Covid-19. Nevertheless, it was possible to perform some educational activities both inside and outside the facility. Thanks to the received donations, pedagogical activities and sustainable holiday days for the children were realised. Special focus was placed on the implementation of the Clown Therapy project. With the clown figure, children experienced moments of happiness and levity in the community. Together, they painted, played a social theatre and performed creative exercises.

**Donation: € 10,000**

## Netherlands

The CliniClowns are specially trained artists who perform in hospitals, care facilities and other medical institutions in the Netherlands. They use music, theatre, magic and humour to give children moments of laughter and joy. They also contribute to easing the tension in medical facilities and creating a positive environment: Through their visits, the CliniClowns want to help children briefly forget their fears and worries and experience positive emotions. In that regard, the organisation CliniClowns has started a new project and launched the "Bedtime Visits", visitations during sleeping time. Because in addition to their illness and the pain, the small hospital patients also have to endure being far away from home in a strange and sterile environment without their parents. For this reason, many children have difficulties falling asleep. With their bedtime visits, the CliniClowns create a calmer atmosphere and help children fall asleep with a good feeling.

**Because of the effects of Covid, "only" 280 sick and disabled children were visited during their bedtime in hospitals last autumn. A part of the budget was used to cover the running costs of this organisation.**

**Donation: € 10,000**







## Austria

“SoWo” (social home) Neunkirchen in Austria offers adolescents from the age of 14 up, who can no longer live with their families, a home and support in life. Even here, most of them come from dysfunctional families. The SoWo offers adolescents not just a roof over their heads, but also support and care to aid them in overcoming their individual challenges. It is a place for young people to live in a safe and providing environment, to improve the quality of their lives and their social interactions, ensuring that they live a self-determined and happy life later on.

This year's motto was “action4me / that's what I like”. It started off with a bike workshop, where adolescents could learn everything regarding bike repair. This workshop not only conveyed dexterity and experience to the adolescents during bike repairs, but also emphasised the appreciation and handling of one's own bike. The repaired bikes left over after the distribution to all residents of the facility were, on the initiative of the adolescents, donated to refugees via the campaign “Neunkirchen hilft”. This act received so much appeal and public attention, that even the news in Lower Austria reported on it, which the young people were especially proud of!



In many additional workshops, the adolescents could take part in useful leisure time activities, while being pedagogically supported and creating experiences for life.

In a cooking workshop, for example, the young people learned how to eat well with little money after moving out. They not only learned how to cook simple dishes, but were also sensitised to topics such as price awareness, sustainability and regionality.

With the support of the LR Global Kids Fund and its donors, young people gain the chance to lead a happy life and see themselves as valuable additions to society.

**Donation: € 21,940**



## Poland

Unemployment, poverty, crime, violence and alcoholism are part of everyday life for many families in some districts of Katowice. Children and adolescents who have to grow up under such conditions have gaps in their education, deficits in their social development and show behavioural disorders culminating in use of violence.

The organisation “House of Guardian Angels”, headquartered in Poland, has set itself the task of breaking this spiral. The organisation works closely with local communities, schools and other institutions to help children and young people in difficult situations. They offer various programmes such as educational support, psychological care, leisure activities and vocational preparation.

The organisation's main goal is to provide a safe environment for children and young people in which to recover, discover their talents and develop their full potential. With the financial support of the LR Global Kids Fund, “House of Guardian Angels” has the opportunity to break the negative spiral in the lives of these children and adolescents.

The organisation also works to prevent child abuse and neglect, and offers courses and awareness-raising measures to parents, teachers and the community. The “House of Guardian Angels” mainly finances itself through donations and volunteer work.

**Donation: € 10,000**





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## Switzerland

Unfortunately, illness and suffering do not spare the smallest members of our society. For children in particular, a stay in the hospital, separated from their parents and loved ones, is a heavy blow, not to mention the fear of the treatments and operations. They also have to endure physical suffering and pain.

The "Theodora e. V." has set itself the task of brightening up the everyday lives of children in hospitals and specialised institutions – to take away the children's and parents' worries for just a moment, and provide them with the "best medicine: laughter".

The Dream Doctors bring cheerful moments full of variety and joy to children in Swiss hospitals. During the additional special surgery companionship, they transform the surgery process into a fantasy journey, where the children and parents can relax and let go of their fears. The concept has been so successful in treating children that independent organisations have now developed throughout Europe and Asia, spreading laughter beyond national borders under the name "Theodora".



The specialists "Mr and Mrs Dream" visit specialised institutions to bring moments of laughter and pleasure to children with disabilities. "The Little Orchestra of the Senses", a special trio of artists, also specifically addresses children with disabilities and brings them a musical and interactive animation. A poetic, humorous spectacle then moves through the facility and carries away all residents and visitors - because laughter unites!

**Donation: € 10,000**



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## Hungary

Children of low-income families often do not have the opportunity and support necessary for their development and growth. Education is especially important for children, because it gives them the opportunity to discover and develop their skills and talents. Education enables children and adolescents to strengthen their cognitive, social and emotional skills, and to build a solid foundation for their future. It enables them to learn new things, expand their knowledge and satisfy their curiosity. In addition, education helps children feel confident and independent, improve their communication skills and broaden their perspective on the world. Overall, education helps children realise their full potential and gives them better chances for a successful and fulfilling life.

The Hungarian "Csányi Foundation" therefore promotes the linguistic skills of disadvantaged children and adolescents between the ages of 10 and 24. Here, in addition to their mother tongue Hungarian, the children learn about the foreign languages German and English, as well as the cultures of these countries. The special annual highlight is the stay in a language camp abroad for children and young people who have qualified for it. The 8-day language trip and the stay in host families were made possible with the support of the LR Global Kids Fund. This year, they visited Augsburg in Germany. In addition to lessons in the morning, the different groups had daily tasks (such as conducting interviews, etc.) and excursions to places of interest. Here, not only their linguistic skills were trained, but independence, communication and a sense of community were promoted.

**Donation: € 10,000**



## Czech Republic

FOD stands for "Fond ohrožených dětí" or "Fonds for vulnerable children" in English. It is a non-profit organisation that advocates for the protection and well-being of vulnerable children in the Czech Republic.

Klokánek or Kangaroo is a project of the Fund for vulnerable children, which aims to provide children with familial transitional care instead of institutional care. They remain with FOD until they can either return to their families or until a permanent, alternative familial care is found for them (adoption, foster family, third-party care).

The children who find refuge there have not all been taken away from their parents, but may have also been placed there at the request of the parents or even the child itself.

Up to a maximum of 4 children are accommodated at Kangaroo in a family environment. They are looked after by the FOD staff – a married couple and two caregivers, who take turns every week. Everything that is part of everyday life in normal families is taken care of by them: Beyond things such as cooking and household chores, they spend time with the children, go for walks, play or cuddle together. The average length of stay for a child at the Kangaroo Centre is 6 months.

**Donation: € 10,000**



A heartfelt **thank you** to all donors to the LR Global Kids Fund for their indispensable help.

A very special thank you to all our sponsoring members, whose regular donations form the basis for the funds that we pass on to the worldwide children's aid projects selected by the LR Global Kids Fund.



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