

Charity Nominations 2018/2019

The call for charity nominations has been quite successful so far and we are very happy to say that we have received five nominations so far.

The **deadline** for sending in any further nominations **has been moved to September 4th, 2018** and the General Board will **vote** to determine the charity at the next General Board Meeting on **September 18, 2018**

The following nominations have been handed in so far:

Samona Votaw:

YouthCompass Frankfurt (<http://youthcompass.org>)

The organisation is committed to challenging international teens to give of themselves to those less fortunate, students work to help improve the quality of life for different people groups in the Eastern European region. Last year students engaged in work projects in Serbia at a local school, a church and other places providing help for people who are in desperate need of support.

This year funds will towards a students' project: they are planning to work in a large Roma settlement in Romania helping to repair home and to dig wells.

Sabine Uhle:

Apalesion Markuskrankenhaus Frankfurt, Psycho-Oncology
Claudia Gutmann / Leading Psychologist

Claudia Gutmann seeks to offer psychological care for young adults with Inflammatory Bowel Diseases (IBD). Funds raised would be used to provide psychological counselling to patients and their families treated at the hospital. In particular young women who suffer from IBD are in a special situation: they need support i.e. raising their children and in general coping with everyday routine. The project aims at providing encouragement and psychological support to these patients and hoping to encourage other initiatives throughout the country.

Danita Waterfall-Brizzi:

Girls Lead - PLAN INTERNATIONAL Deutschland e.V.

Plan International is a global organization with a long track record of promoting the empowerment of girls and young women. One campaign is called "because I'm a girl". This is a youth-led, global movement for girls' rights and gender equality.

Donations to the German chapter will help to sponsor children and support grassroots work within our communities.

Terri Basset:

Über den Tellerrand e.V. (<https://ueberdentellerrand.org/>)

'Über den Tellerrand' means 'beyond your plate' that stands for open-mindedness in German. The Frankfurt section of the organisation started in 2015 and is one of the most influential hubs for intercultural encounters in the Rhein-Main region.

Working together with companies like the Deutsche Bank, the organisation has established two mentoring programs to support refugees on an individual level. The Family Buddy program was launched August 2018 in order to connect local families and refugee families.

The Job Buddy program has matched more than 90 of their employees with refugees looking for a job since 2017.

The exact use of the funds has not been assigned yet, we will have more details in time for the voting.

Dima Hausser:

ZuBaKa gemeinnützige GmbH (<https://www.zubaka.de/>)

Anna Meister (CEO)

ZuBaKa (“**Z**ukunfts**b**aukasten”, meaning “toolkit for building the future”) was founded by Anna Meister who has been working in so-called “integration classes” for three years. The organization supported young immigrants (age 11-21) during their first year in school and helps them finding their way into the German educational system.

This charity supports education in our local community here in Frankfurt and works to ease the disconnect between locals and newcomers. In addition, by providing help at a young age, it helps to mitigate the problem of racism that could eventually so easily dominate society as it does in the US. ZuBaKa works directly to combat these issues and is a valuable organization.

The funds would be used to start education projects in schools (supporting one school for one year costs approx. 24.000 €)

Tina Chittom:

Paulinchen e.V. (www.paulinchen.de)

This organization provides support and advice for families whose child suffers from the aftereffects of injuries caused by burns or scalding.

Paulinchen e.V. helps to find the appropriate specialist for treatments.

Furthermore they organize seminars where specialists give information on various topics regarding his subject and offer injured children the opportunity to meet and spend time together chatting at a number of activities.

