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Children suffer the greatest distress in the refugee camps on the Greek Aegean Islands (left). Around 300 children suffering from diabetes and hemophilia in a home in Buzias in Romania are looking forward to the gifts and clothing of Luftfahrt ohne Grenzen e.V. / Wings of Help from Frankfurt am Main during the pre-Christmas season. (Photos: Malo / Franke)

Greece before hard winter: warming help against the cold

Concern over migrants from the Middle East, the Aegean Islands and the Greek mainland is growing with the onset of winter: For months, more and more people are seeking their way from the Turkish refugee camps to Europe and landing by boat on islands and Greek mainland ports. There are currently around 40,000 migrants awaiting at Lesbos, Chios, Samos and other islands. The government in Athens is about to relocate over 10,000 people from the overcrowded camps on the islands to the north mainland, where harsh winter conditions are expected.

In order to alleviate the plight of these people and to help to avoid the worst hardship, in December a German truck carrying relief supplies from Luftfahrt ohne Grenzen e.V. / Wings of Help goes to Athens to our Greek partner "The Smile of the Child". Warm blankets, winter clothing, baby food, baby highchairs and diapers as well as 1,000 teddy bears are distributed to the needy people on the islands and the mainland, and also to poor Greek families.

Aid deliveries for children's homes in Romania

Romania has the poorest children in Europe. There also Luftfahrt ohne Grenzen e.V. / Wings of Help is involved with three projects and supports in the city of Buzias for over ten years a home for children and adolescents suffering from hemophilia and diabetes and, in nearby Timisoara, a school for deaf-blind and multiple disabled children. In addition, the organization helps deficient children in a hospital in Timisoara. The children were supplied with baby food, solid winter clothing, Christmas cookies and daily necessities. Together with the Bavarian children's aid Romania e.V., a truck transport was accompanied by the well-known hematologist Professor Dr. med. Wolfgang Schramm, arriving on St. Nicholas Day in the Romanian cities.



Grief for a great friend and loyal supporter of Wings of Help

Luftfahrt ohne Grenzen e.V. / Wings of Help was one of the few European institutions and organizations to attend the funeral celebrations for the late hotelier Barron F. Hilton in Los Angeles. Frank Franke, President of Wings of Help, described Hilton as a longtime, loyal friend of our organization, who has been, at the same

time, closely connected to aviation over many decades supporting sustainably many Wings of Help projects through the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation. Our picture shows Frank Franke with the wreath of Wings of Help in Los Angeles together with the biographer and longtime consultant of Barron Hilton, Patrick Barry.

Aviation without Borders USA takes up work

Since October 2019, our organization has a solid, direct partner in the USA: With the foundation of Aviation without Borders-USA (AWB), we have become even stronger internationally. AWB USA, like Luftfahrt ohne Grenzen e.V./Wings of Help, is part of ASF International, the umbrella institution with more than ten other national aid organizations in Europe and North America. CEO of AWB-USA is Kevin Noone, who has many years of experience in the global field of humanitarian work. The first German-American cooperation took place in the relief effort for the Bahamas, where hurricane "Dorian" hit more than 70,000 people in September 2019 due to the destruction of their homes. More at www.awb-usa.org



Support for Wings of Help by sensor specialist Hensoldt

Strongly committed to global aviation, the sensor technology company Hensoldt, headquartered in Taufkirchen, Bavaria, supports our work: Frank Franke, Presdent of LOG, took over a check of 3,000 euros from Executive Assistant Carolin Scheithauer (CIO to André Scheidhammer of Hensoldt) and Hensoldt's Chief Information Security Officer Anton

Litzlbeck at the company headquarters in Bavaria. The donation was generated by participations in an IT satisfaction survey of Hensoldt employees. Hensoldt, also suppliers of national air traffic control services, got to know Wings of Help and our close connection to global aviation at the Berlin air show ILA through an interview with LOG board member Bernhard Hau and decided to provide regular support.

Employee donation from the neighborhood in Cargo City South



ATC Aviation Services AG, like Wings of Help also based in Cargo City South at Frankfurt Airport, has engaged its staff to support our global humanitarian work. ATC donated over 500 euros from the company as well as via staff donation boxes – a sum we will use for aid projects in 2020. ATC is one of the leading General Sales and Services Agents worldwide. The Global Head Office in Cargo City South is responsible for 44 ATC offices in more than 20 countries worldwide under the motto "One Global Cargo GSSA". Our picture was taken at the

check handover in the Wings of Help office and shows (left to right) Monica Di Palo, ATC Head Office Assistant, Kerstin Fritsch, Assistant to the Board of Wings of Help and Rebecca Lange, ATC Admin and Sales Support.

From farmer's event to bank congress: Funding for aid projects

Wings of Help presents itself on a variety of occasions with the clear goal of generating funds for relief operations. So at the farmhouse event of our member Markus Dietz in the small village Schleierhof (Baden Württemberg), where over 1000 visitors participated in various activities: From a vintage tractor exhibition, to pony rides and a blacksmiths for Africa activity. The 8,000 euros generated in this way benefit the Galana River School near Malindi in the Kenyan bush (center), a joint project of the Dietz family and Wings of Help for many years. The image on the left shows Funding Director Bernhard Hau with LOG member Markus Dietz.

Wings of Help had its own stand at the Asset Management Conference of the Federal Association of Investment Companies (BVI) in Frankfurt last autumn. In addition to Bernhard Hau, Financial Officer Rolf Geyer also participated (picture right). The BVI promised Wings of Help a guest key note at one of the next conferences.







TV stations report on our operations

The worldwide activities of Luftfahrt ohne Grenzen eV / Wings of Help are gaining more and more positive response, especially in Hessen. For example, the Hessischer Rundfunk invited us to its TV program "Hallo Hessen" in autumn, in which we achieved three individual interviews with President Frank Franke, when he reported on our operations from the home base at Frankfurt Airport (picture left). The regional broadcaster Rhein-Main TV invited us to their program "Talk" within the news section "Rhein Main im Blick", where Vice-President Marie-Luise Thüne provided insights into current projects of our organization (right).





We would like to thank our members and donors for their continuous support in 2019. Stay true to our work in 2020!

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