

THE REGINE SIXT CHILDREN'S AID FOUNDATION

A SUMMARY OF THE FIRST 300 WORLDWIDE PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES
OF "DRYING LITTLE TEARS"



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**GREETING BY HONORARY CONSUL GENERAL
REGINE SIXT, 4 November 2017**

“ Holy Father,

All of us gathered here today in the heart of the Vatican, are pilgrims from all corners of the world, to humbly honour Your Holiness – as is expressed in the saying “Omnes viae Romam ducunt”.

We admire your work, going out into the world and addressing the poor, refugees, and those living at the edges of society. Your Holiness, you are an example for all of us!

It warms our hearts seeing how you interact with all the children you meet.

We admire you for your dedication in supporting children who are living in need all over the world. It is this dedication which the global SIXT family and I myself strive to pay tribute to with the activities of our Children’s Aid Foundation “Drying Little Tears”. We attempt to dry the tears of children, the weakest members of our society.

Just allowing us to spend a few minutes with you today, will instill inspiration in our hearts and souls for a lifetime to come. May you include us in your prayers in the future.

I do not know whether this request is appropriate, but I would like to ask you for your grace for my three grandchildren Johanna, Raphael, and Ferdinand, who are just starting to explore the world with bright eyes, and would like to particularly ask you for your blessing for the many members of the SIXT family who have gathered here today, as well as for the rest of the SIXT family around the globe.

Your Holiness, thank you for allowing us to be here with you today! ”



**GREETING FROM POPE FRANCIS,
BISHOP OF ROME, 4 November 2017**

“ Dear members of the SIXT family,
Dear friends,

I would like to welcome all of you, representatives of the SIXT family from all over the world. I would like to thank Mrs. Regine Sixt for her introductory words, which addressed your joint engagement for charitable purposes, carried out through the Regine Sixt Children’s Aid Foundation, above all with the purpose of helping children in all kinds of need.

These efforts enable you to turn your business activities into a noble endeavour, by recognising a greater purpose of life. Beyond mere personal and financial success, you strive to contribute to the public good, by adding more value to this world and making it accessible to all (cf. *Evangelii Gaudium*, 203).

You have gathered here today in Rome to meet with the Successor of Peter, who holds a special place reserved in his heart for the poorest and weakest of our brothers and sisters. These are our children. By drying their tears through concrete aid projects, we can fight our culture of waste and work towards establishing a more humane society.

I encourage you to continue your work, in the conviction that the tender love of God expresses itself in a very special way on the faces of innocent children, who are in need of care and support. May the Lord reward you with his many bounties.

I ask you to pray for me, as I carry out my mission for the Church, and I warmly grant you, your dear grandchildren, and all your families my apostolic blessing. ”

“We must join hands
together with the weakest
in the world.”

REGINE SIXT

REGINE SIXT
FOUNDER AND
CHAIR OF THE BOARD



DEAR READERS!

Don't look away. For me, this has been an affair of the heart ever since I started working to help children in need of our support all over the world. Don't look away is also the motto of this Coffee Table Book. In this book, we wish to introduce the first 300 global projects and initiatives of the past decade, carried out as part of the "Drying Little Tears" programme of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. Allow yourself to get inspired by the joy of these children, who keep in good spirits in spite of their dire circumstances and severe illnesses, and who we have been able to support thanks to the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and all global SIXT employees.

Acting. Did you know that global poverty has more than halved over the last 20 years? Or that 80 percent of all one-year-olds are vaccinated? We love good news, because it never fails to motivate us to contribute – for the weak and sick little ones all over the world. This book also reveals how you can rediscover the "I in we". Whether this is one child emptying his piggy bank for others, enabling the construction of child care centres, or allowing gravely ill children to enjoy some moments of true happiness: offering the littlest ones care and shelter makes us happier as well. To help, each in the way he or she can, enriches us all – above all the children. Please do not look away. Enjoy! We look forward to the next 300 projects and initiatives.

Regine Sixt

**BOARD
MEMBER**

ALEXANDER SIXT
BOARD MEMBER

SOCIAL COMMITMENT

“We connect the development of our employees with the common good.”

With the SIXT Corporate Social Responsibility programme, we demonstrate our sense of responsibility beyond the limits of our company. On the one hand, we as the Board want to improve the performance of our employees, offering them space for their personal development. On the other hand, we as a company – much in the same vein as our employees – wish to publicly demonstrate our commitment towards our social responsibility. Beyond the mere daily activities, we at SIXT consciously create room for social engagement. Any employee who has a vision which fits our guiding principles and values, is given the freedom to realise his or her own vision. This is a win-win situation for all involved: The employee helps shape our company and his or her efforts are appreciated. At the same time, this creates a strong bond with the Sixt company, while also helping children across the globe who are in such dire need of our support.



**KONSTANTIN
SIXT**
BOARD MEMBER

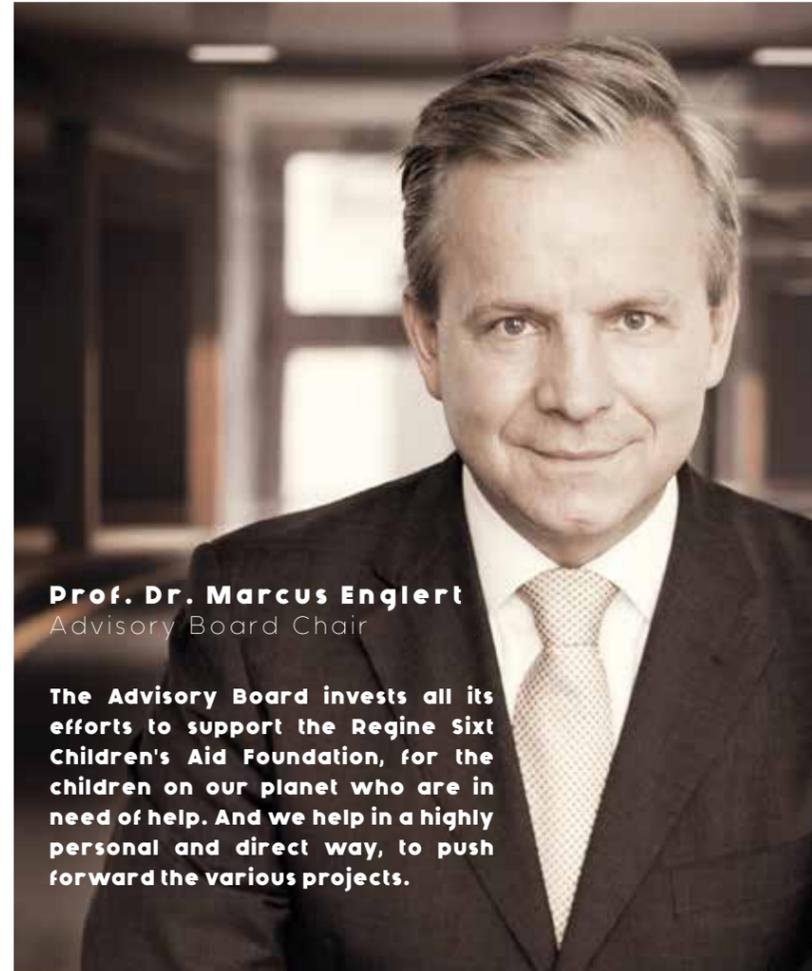
“We have great ambitions.” As the Board of SIXT, as well as the Board Members of the Regine Sixt Children’s Aid Foundation, we want to invest the greatest possible effort in helping as many children across the globe as we can. We’ve managed to realise a lot with our programme ‘Drying Little Tears’, as well as through the voluntary commitment of our employees: Such as the ‘Drying Little Tears Day’ actions, which employees initiated and took responsibility for, as well as the first 300 projects and initiatives of the Regine Sixt Children’s Aid Foundation carried out over the past years. As the Board, we want to contribute our energy and knowledge, to make sure that the next 300 projects will also be successful in helping the children. Soon, each SIXT country around the world should have its own aid projects.



DR. JULIAN ZU PUTLITZ
BOARD MEMBER

“We can be stubborn in order to reach our goals.” As the Board of the Regine Sixt Children’s Aid Foundation, we want to actively and sustainably contribute to this. It’s important not only to always strive to do great things, but also to carry out small acts to immediately help severely ill and disadvantaged children. We take care to ensure that all aids reach the project leaders and the ones they protect directly. We build on our experience, as well as our global network, which has grown steadily over the past decades.

ADVISORY BOARD



Prof. Dr. Marcus Englert
Advisory Board Chair

The Advisory Board invests all its efforts to support the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, for the children on our planet who are in need of help. And we help in a highly personal and direct way, to push forward the various projects.



Dr. Daniel Terberger
Advisory Board

We put our heart and soul into supporting the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation to empower the weak and forgotten ones. We use our global networks to do so, because our aid always arrives directly on site.



Dr. Brigitte Mohn
Advisory Board

With its projects, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation strives to alleviate the mental and physical needs of children all over the world. I am delighted to be given the chance to contribute to improving the living conditions of these children as a member of the Advisory Board, and dry as many "little tears" as possible.



Prof. Dr. Peter Biberthaler
Advisory Board

As a physician, I time and again need to find new sources of hope, to support injured children with close, medical assistance, and actively embody hope myself. This is what the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation carries out on a global scale, in an exemplary manner.

“Every one of us
can make a difference.
Every deed counts.”

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“All children must be educated,
protected, and respected.”

Regine Sixt



EDUCATION

Every child has the right to be able to develop his or her abilities and to attend school. But in many countries these bare necessities are lacking. Schools and good teachers are often in scarce supply. So, we support and finance the construction of classrooms and schools. We develop learning programmes with our partners and improve local infrastructure. For only education guarantees peaceful coexistence and an economic foundation.



HEALTH

Every child has the right to medical assistance and care in case of illness. This is why we build hospitals, mobile medical facilities, and intensive care units in children's clinics. We provide medical equipment and our employees visit sick children worldwide to give them strength and courage.



WELFARE

Every child has the right to a safe home, family environment, and parental care. The reality often looks very different. This is why we support the construction of children's homes, orphanages, and playgrounds around the world. We renovate daycare centres, especially for disadvantaged children and children with disabilities. Otherwise, these facilities would often not be built.



EMERGENCY AID

Every child has the right to protection in war, as a refugee, and after natural disasters. Catastrophes occur regularly, affecting people and nations. Children often suffer the most. That is why we support homes and schools for refugee children, send necessary material assistance to disaster areas, and provide assistance with reconstruction. Sixt's global logistics networks are particularly helpful in these instances.



**OUR FOUR
PILLARS**

DRYING LITTLE TEARS ACROSS THE GLOBE



- Countries in which we have already realised projects and initiatives or offered advice on ongoing projects.
- Countries in which SIXT has an office. Many of our employees volunteer in their spare time.
- 🩺 Health projects
- ❤️ Welfare projects
- 🎓 Educational projects
- 🚑 Emergency aid projects

THE FIRST 300 GLOBAL PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES IN 50 COUNTRIES

Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) of the SIXT Group. CSR is an integral part of the company policy of the SIXT Group. Promoting activities that support the long-term, socially responsible engagement of the company and its employees is in line with SIXT's self-image, mission, and values. It is second nature to us. The focus is on energy and the environment as well as voluntary cooperation and commitment in the non-profit sector.

SIXT COUNTRIES ACROSS THE GLOBE

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| <p>Albania, Argentina, Armenia, Aruba, Australia, Austria, Bahrain, Barbados, Belarus, Belgium, Benin, Bosnia–Herzegovina, Brazil, Bulgaria, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Croatia, Curacao, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, Eritrea, Estonia, Faeroe Islands, Finland, France, French Guiana,</p> | <p>Georgia, Germany, Greece, Greenland, Grenada, Guadeloupe, Guam, Haiti, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Kosovo, Kuwait, La Réunion, Laos, Latvia, Lebanon, Libya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malaysia, Malta, Martinique, Mauritius, Mexico, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Morocco, Mozambique,</p> | <p>Nepal, Netherlands, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Nigeria, Northern Ireland, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Puerto Rico, Qatar, Romania, Russia, Saint Martin, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Serbia, Seychelles, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sri Lanka, St. Barth,</p> | <p>St. Lucia, Sweden, Switzerland, Thailand, Trinidad & Tobago, Tunisia, Turkey, Turks and Caicos Islands, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan.</p> |
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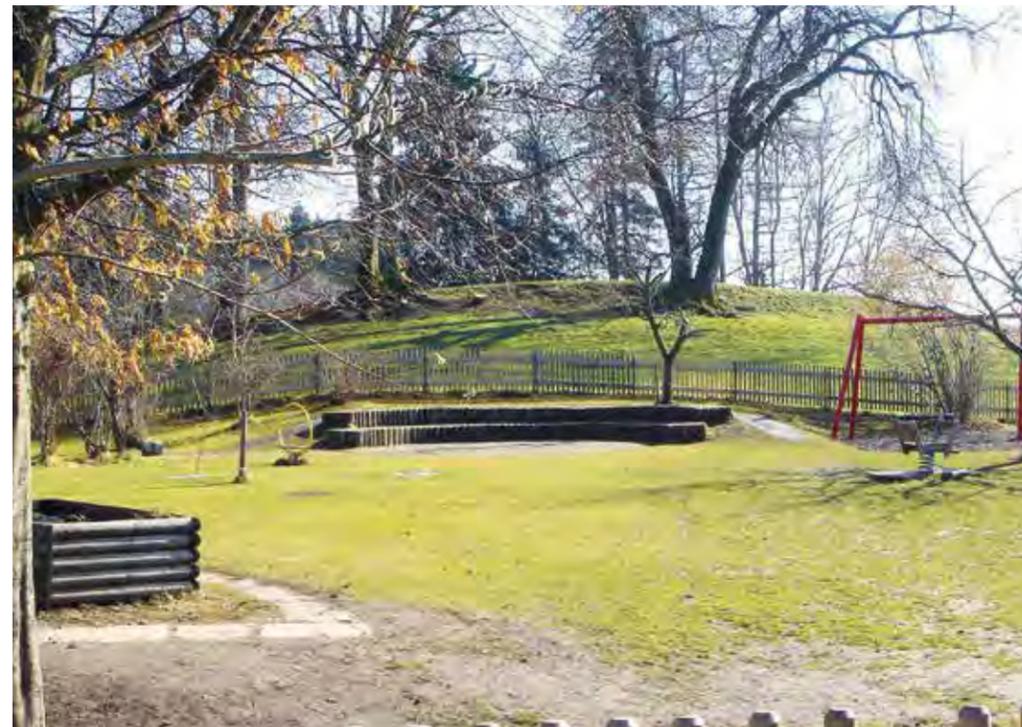


PROJECTS
EDUCATION

**“The future of our world
is shaped in today’s classrooms.”**



CONSTRUCTION OF THE ERIKA-SIXT NURSERY SCHOOL GERMANY



Pioneering spirit.

All-day care. At the beginning, there was a nursery school! The Erika Sixt nursery school was founded by Hans Sixt in memory of Erika, his wife, and donated to the Schaftlach community. This marked the beginning of modern all-day childcare in Munich. Currently, the centre cares for around 100 children between the ages of 3 and 6. The design of the nursery school is child-friendly and in line with educational principles. It has been fitted with playing equipment, a sandbox, and several bushes – as well as with an expansive garden area, which does not feature a prefabricated assortment of games, but rather gives the children the opportunity to let their design phantasy and adventurous spirit roam free.

Hans Sixt was a pioneer – in all respects. His company was the first to introduce radio taxis to Europe, in Munich, with radio equipment imported from the US. With the Erika Sixt nursery school, he laid the foundation for a then unique form of all-day care in Western Germany. This also marked the beginning of the company's support in international aid projects for severely ill, disabled, and disadvantaged children all over the year, which the company has been active in for 25 years now. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation went on to organise its support in the categories of education, welfare, health, and emergency aid.

Germany, Munich, Schaftlach
1993

Construction of the Erika-Sixt nursery school by Hans Sixt





Caribbean, Barbados
Speightstown, St. Peter Parish School
2013
Construction of a nursery school



NURSERY SCHOOL BARBADOS

For a future filled with hope.

First aid for the youngest Caribbeans. Even if Barbados looks like a picture-perfect paradise – for three-year-old Kaila, the sun, palm trees, and sea are just everyday life. But her life is no bed of roses. Her mother, Jeanette, is a single parent and needs to make ends meet. She works as a housekeeper at a beach-side hotel. It's been quite a blessing for her to get her daughter one of the coveted spots at the Nursery School of the St. Peter Parish School.

"Children are our future." Kaila's mother sees this sentence written in large letters on the wall every weekday morning at 7.45am, when she drops her daughter off at the Daycare Centre. And that is Jeanette's hope: That

her little girl will someday have a better life. Education is the key to success, as is confidence in one's own abilities. Kaila gets both here, together with her almost 100 classmates who are facing a still-uncertain future with their big eyes. Although Barbados officially left the list of developing countries in 2011, there is still need for outside assistance.

The educational concept in the daycare centre is: "Learning by doing". The children visit the zoo, because they shouldn't have to learn what animals look like just from books. They are given a few coins to go shopping on the market, in order to learn how to live frugal lives. >>



Learning by doing.

The concept is highly successful: 'Many children don't want to go home at night because they're so happy here!', says Director Celeste Bowen with a smile.

Jeanette pays the equivalent of 40 euro a week for her daughter's spot in the centre. This includes daily breakfast and lunch. The fees are not cheap, but the project has to support itself. What's more, there couldn't be a better start to her future on Barbados than is given at the St. Peter Parish School Daycare Centre.

Spots are highly coveted, because the success is clear: 'After three years with us, our kids have demonstrably higher social skills than the other children when they enroll in school. They know how to work well with others and settle conflicts peacefully', explains Celeste Bowen.

Another sentence is written on the wall here: "We love our children." The always cheerful, maternal caretakers live up to it in full. There is usually a lot of unabashed laughter to be heard here. The 14 so-called aunts take loving care of the little ones.

"My heart beats for the children of Barbados", says Regine Sixt, "and I admire the working mothers of Barbados who work so hard to raise their children on top of their own efforts to make a living for their families under such demanding circumstances. >>

Passionately
doing good
deeds.



“The staff at the WHIM Community Centre on Barbados allow many children to develop their own personalities in a peaceful environment.”

Regine Sixt

We love our children.

So my deepest gratitude goes to the Rev. Canon Peter Haynes, rector at St. Peter's Parish Church and his wife, June, who have devoted their lives to the support and raising of these poor children. They have created a truly loving environment for them."

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation offers its supports wherever this helps the littlest ones, their well-being, and their education directly. And Senator Hon. Maxine McClean, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Barbados, has the following to say about the project activities of "Drying Little Tears": "Regine Sixt is a philanthropist, who is committed to improving the situation of disadvantaged people around the world. She also shares her passion for social work and the objectives of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation with her business partners, through the powerful and sustainable Corporate Social Responsibility programme of Sixt."



Offering ongoing support. For years now, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation has been supporting (nursery) school projects on Barbados with the "Drying Little Tears" initiative. An example of this support is the expansion of the WHIM Community Centre in the town of St. Peter on the Caribbean island, in 2014. Thanks to the help of "Drying Little Tears", a new playground was built and furnishings for the centre were acquired in 2015.



Caribbean, Barbados
St. Peter
2014, 2015 + 2017
Equipment for the nursery school and construction of a children's playground

CONSTRUCTION OF A NURSERY SCHOOL VIETNAM



Vietnam
Vinh Long Province
2012
Construction of a nursery school



HELPING PARENTS.

Construction of a nursery school in the underdeveloped Province of Vinh Long. This project should provide care for a total of 120 children as well as improve access to quality education. In the rural and mountainous areas of Vietnam, there are many villages and communities without nursery schools. Many parents have to take turns caring for the children, which means that they cannot earn any money while tending to their kids. This loss of income pushes them even further into poverty.

By providing access to local nursery schools, parents have better employment opportunities and thus more income. This is why the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, together with the Dariu Foundation of the Swiss publishing house Ringier, financed the construction of a nursery school in the district of Luc Sy Thanh. The care provided at the centre allows parents to look for full-time employment. The nursery school opened its doors in mid-November 2012.



NEW CONSTRUCTION OF A SCHOOL HAITI



Fast, unbureaucratic aid. The earthquake of January 2010 completely destroyed both the school as well as the nursery school of La Garenne on Haiti. Before the earthquake, a total of 12 teachers cared for 290 children in both facilities. The earthquake took the lives of 70 children. The project revolved around reconstructing the school and the nursery school. The government did not provide any financial support, and parents were unable to pay the monthly fees, which is why the school turned to the "Ein Herz für Kinder" Foundation and the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, with the request for support through the "Drying Little Tears" programme.

Caribbean, Haiti, Delmas
La Garenne Nursery School
2011

**Reconstruction of a school
after an earthquake**

EXPANSION OF A SCHOOL SLOVAKIA



Integration and inclusion.

The construction measures at the centre were realised thanks to the support of the "Drying Little Tears" programme of the Regine Children's Aid Foundation, together with the Order of Malta and the Sisters of the Salesians. Another objective lies in freeing the school-aged children from the

vicious cycle of failure at school and ensuring the permanent integration of local Sinti and Roma.

Slovakia, Nitra
2014

**Expansion of a Centre
for Sinti and Roma**

SCHOOL FURNITURE CONGO



Congo, Kasai
2012

**Procurement and
transport of school
equipment**

Improving learning conditions.

The "Complexe Scolaire Mundedi" elementary school is situated in the city of Tshikapa, in the Kasai province of the Democratic Republic of Congo. Years of civil war have made Congo one of the poorest countries in the world. Education relies on private initiatives. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation has provided furniture for the elementary school.

NURSERY SCHOOL TANZANIA



Integration.

Up to 160 Muslim and Christian children between the ages of two and six can study together at the nursery school. To exploit the full potential of their early development, children are also given the opportunity to learn English.

Tanzania, Mtwara
2012

Construction of a nursery school and preschool



EXPANSION OF A SPECIAL NURSERY SCHOOL ROMANIA



Digital aid. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supported the Special Nursery School Cluj in Romania, operated by the Order of Malta. In the nursery, 21 children with severe locomotor and other disabilities and their families are cared for. It is the only facility for children of pre-school age with such disabilities in the city. Children with locomotor and mental disabilities have a hard time in Romania, and often live in isolation from the community.

The children are between two and nine years of age and receive intensive care in the daycare facility, including physical therapy, speech therapy, cognitive and sensory stimulation, as well as educational offerings and training in becoming more independent. In 2014, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation additionally equipped the special nursery school with computers and other electronic devices.

Romania, Cluj
2012 + 2014

Expansion of a special nursery school and supply of computers



EXPANSION OF A NURSERY SCHOOL

BELARUS



Belarus, Voronova
2012
**Expansion and renovation
of a nursery school**

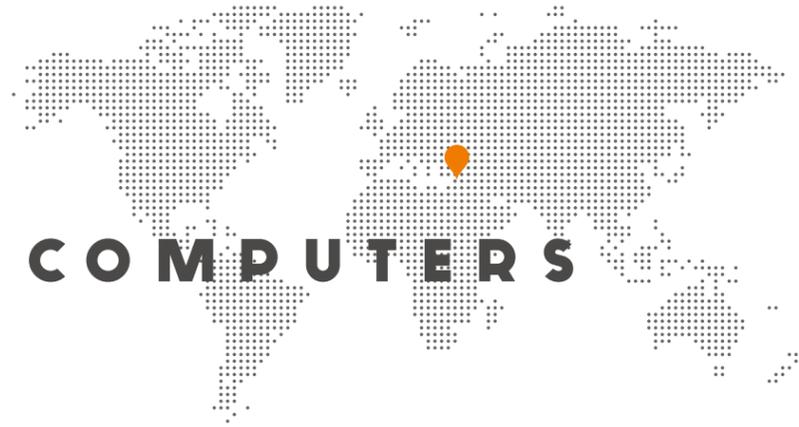


Good opportunities in life.

Together with the Order of Malta Volunteers, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the expansion of a special nursery school for children with multiple disabilities in Voronova, in the diocese of Grodno, Belarus. The children are given attention, professional care, and treatment here until the age of 18. A comprehensive treatment programme ensures a dignified life and, under the circumstances, good opportunities in life. The facility previously housed 16 children and adolescents together with their families. The renovation and expansion will ensure that 20 additional children can be cared for here in the future.



PROVIDING COMPUTERS ISRAEL



Alleviating learning difficulties. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the development of a computer system, in cooperation with the Tel Aviv Yafo Foundation. The Hashmonaim School in the Neve Golan residential area in Jaffa is visited by children from a wide range of ethnical and religious backgrounds: Jews, Christians, Muslims, new migrants from the former Soviet Union and Ethiopia.

The lion's share of children hail from poorer families, with very few prior educational qualifications. The new computer system allows for the integration of laptops into daily education, opening up a better entry into modern technology for over 300 pupils. The objective is to develop an educational programme for languages and natural sciences, while alleviating learning difficulties, to improve the school performance of the children.

Israel, Jaffa
Hashmonaim School
2012

Development of a wireless computer system



EXPANSION OF A SLUM SCHOOL BANGLADESH



Education. Bangladesh has about 160 million inhabitants, making it the most densely populated country in the world. At the same time, it is one of the world's poorest countries. In cooperation with German Doctors e.V., the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation is supporting a slum school in Dhaka, providing the children with, among other things, food.

Bangladesh, Dhaka
2014
Expansion of a slum school

CLASSROOMS MEXICO



Safe learning. Together with the Order of Malta, we are expanding the Don Bosco Boarding School with the construction of a pre-school for boarding school children between four and six years of age from low-income and unstable homes. The school is a safe haven for children, in which they can gain social skills, knowledge, and values in a secure environment. They are given clear rules and are offered psychological help. All this is integrated into nursery school care and school education.

Mexico, Mexico City
Pre-school
2014
New classrooms



CARE CENTRE HUNGARY



Social skills. The centre strives to support the integration of 150 Roma and Sinti children of various ages. Great value is placed on appropriate social behaviour.

Hungary, Tarnabod
2014
School care centre for Roma and Sinti children





NEW CONSTRUCTION OF A CENTRE FOR STREET CHILDREN NAMIBIA



Providing a new home. The Salesians of Don Bosco have been active in Namibia since 1998, working in Rundu, the country's second-largest city. The number of street children and AIDS orphans between the ages of 9 and 17 in Rundu keeps growing. The country ranks among the top five countries most stricken by HIV/AIDS. Many children are roaming the streets looking for food, searching to satisfy their basic needs. The Don Bosco Youth Centre is situated on an estate measuring two hectares, caring for the most disadvantaged children and adolescents from the poorest social classes. Here, the children are not only given education, but also the opportunity to play and receive care. The Centre also has a washing facility. The goal is to reintegrate the children into society. Literacy courses and informal education to help the children bridge their competency gaps are necessary to reintegrate the children into the state-run school system.

Namibia, Rundu, Don Bosco Mission
2013

**Four new classrooms for
a centre for street children**



EDUCATIONAL SPONSORS GERMANY



Opportunities in life. Over 50,000 German teenagers leave school without any qualification each year. Most of them come from low-income families who cannot afford the urgently needed tutoring. Former German President Horst Köhler said: "Education opportunities are life opportunities. They should not be dependent on one's origins." Nevertheless, Germany is last in Europe and far below the OECD (Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development) average in terms of spending on education.

The "Chance Foundation – Education Sponsors for Germany" sets up and awards tuition scholarships for professional tutoring to children and adolescents from low-income families. Ten children from low-income families in Schwerin, Magdeburg, Potsdam, Erfurt, and Dresden receive two double hours per week of intensive and professional tutoring in their problem subjects for one year. In the future, more children and young people will also receive the opportunity to get a good degree and education through the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation.

Germany,
Eastern Federal States
Together with the
"Chance Foundation"
2013
**Education sponsors
for Germany**



CLASSROOMS ISRAEL



Girl-power. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports in providing equipment to a specialised classroom for natural sciences in the A-Tur Girl's School in Jerusalem. Not having a specialised classroom negatively affects the level of education in natural sciences at the school. That's all the more frustrating because today, more than ever, the well-founded education in natural sciences is valued – especially of girls.

Israel, Jerusalem
A-Tur Girl's School
2014
**New construction of a specialised
classroom for natural sciences**

PLAYING EQUIPMENT ENGLAND



Leisure activities. The British charity Fairplay supports children and adolescents up to the age of 25. Many of them have severe disabilities. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation donates playing and sporting equipment and organises events to promote physical fitness – and to just have fun for a change.

England, Chesterfield,
2014
Equipment for a children's centre



PROVIDING EQUIPMENT FOR THE "KINDERTREFF" POLAND



Educational aid. The care facility is geared towards schoolchildren aged 7 to 16, from poor families who live in the vicinity of the Maltese care centre in Poznan, Poland. The children receive help with their homework every afternoon, and are offered psychological and educational assistance.

Poland, Poznan
2014
Equipment for the children's and youth club

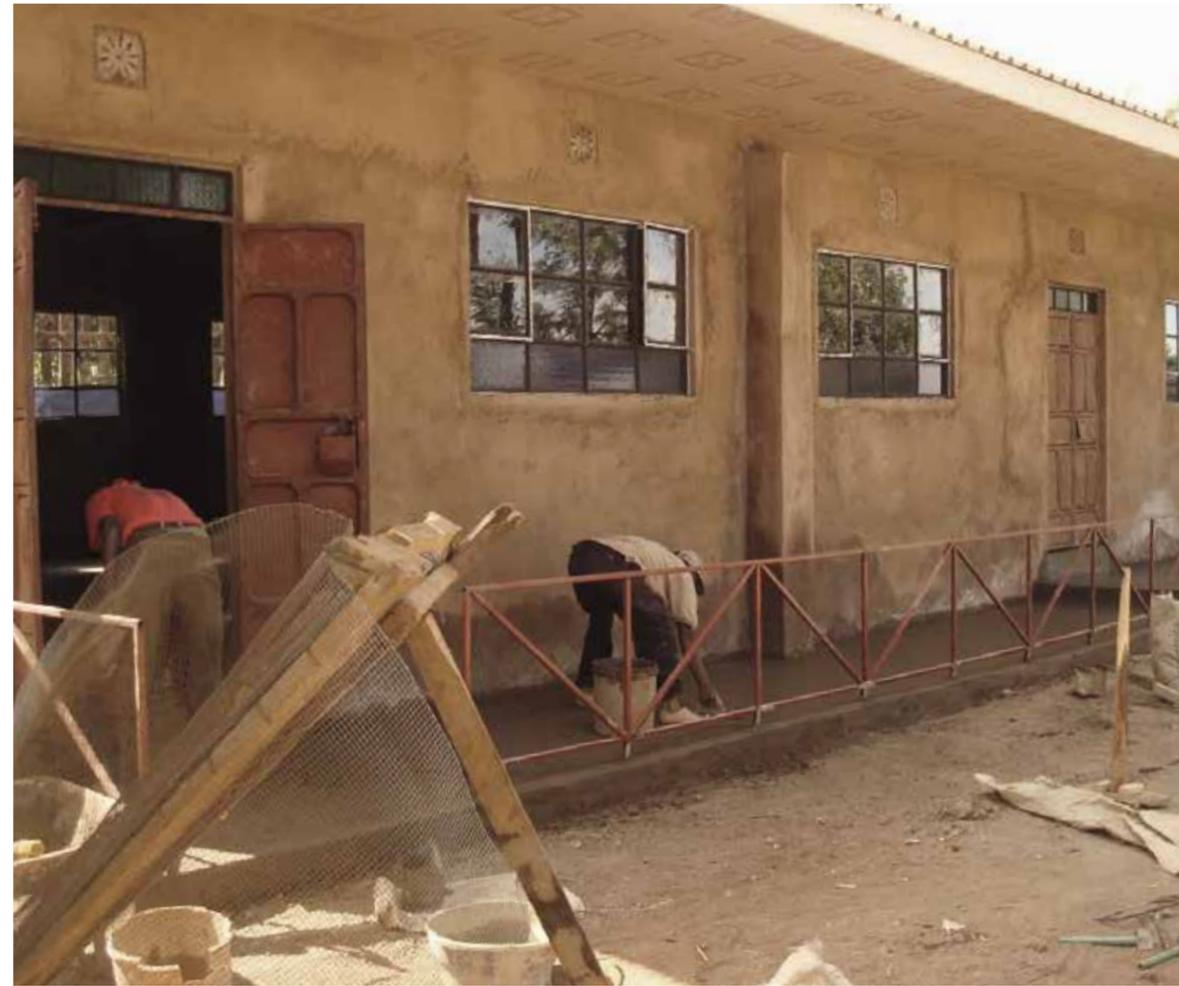
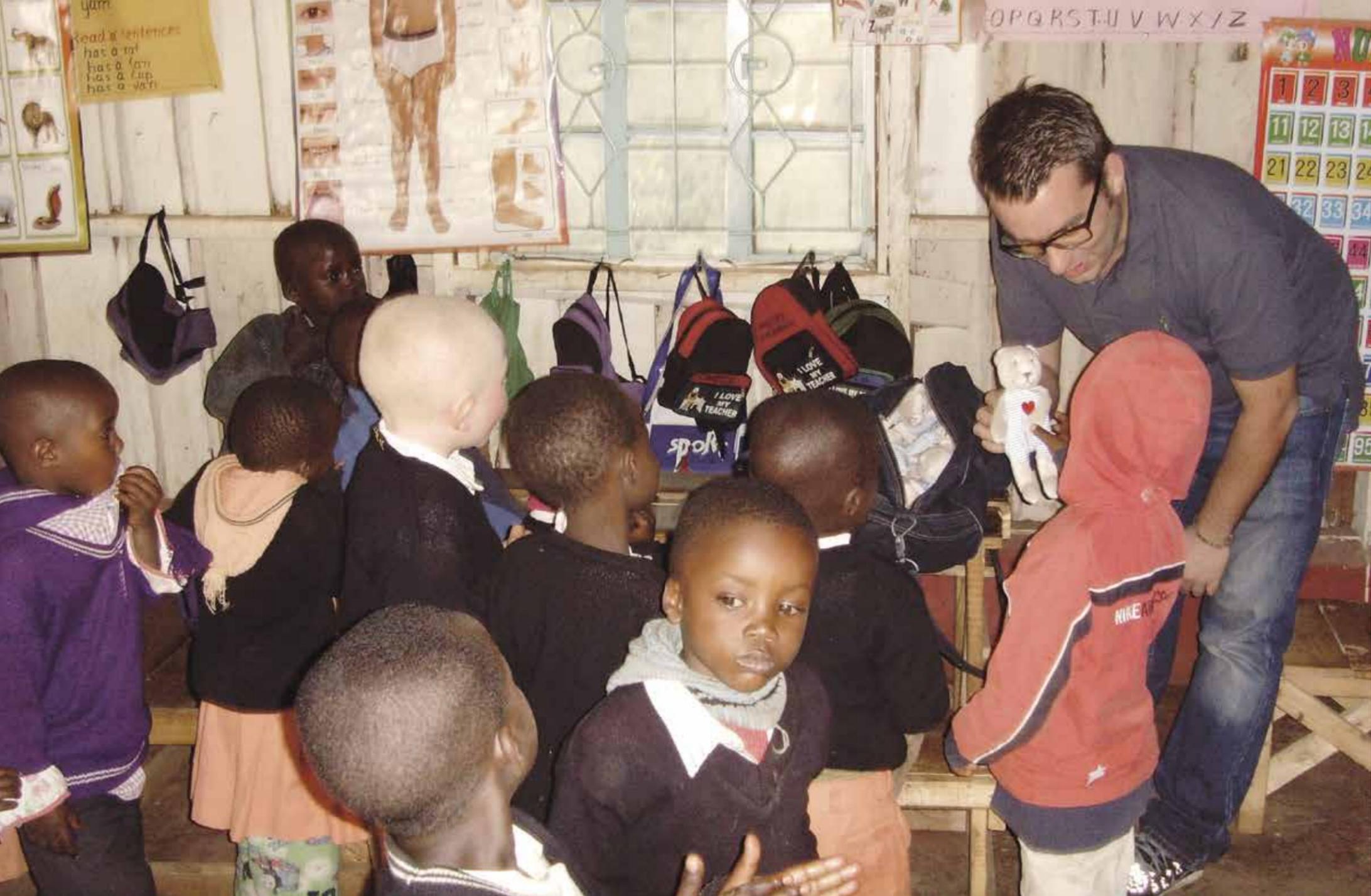
NEW CLASSROOMS KENYA



The villagers help finance the project. Attending school used to be a privilege in Kenya, reserved only for very few children. This situation only improved after the government fulfilled its promise of abolishing fees for primary school in 2003. This allowed children from poorer families to have access to education for the first time. >>

Kenya, Loitokitok
King's Academy
2013
Expansion of two classrooms





Suddenly, an extra 1.7 million children started attending school. However, no corresponding investments in education were made. The situation is further aggravated by the school system, which is barely capable of facilitating the growing number of students. To allow the greatest number of students access to education, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed the construction of two further classrooms. A trailblazing project, also because the villagers help ensure maintenance of the school at the King's Academy through the associated agrobusiness.



CONSTRUCTION OF A NURSERY SCHOOL PLAYGROUND GERMANY



Boosting the strengths of migrant children. The MANNA Family Centre in Berlin's Neukölln district is a neighbourhood meeting place for children and adults of all ages, religions, and cultures. 'Making kids strong' is the motto of the Malteser family centre, and the learning garden supported by the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation was designed to help generations grow closer together. In the future, the young and old will gain practical experience in gardening together, allowing them to explore complex natural processes in a simple and clear manner.

With a second project, the construction of a nursery school playground, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the children in exercising and having fun playing. At the same time, the integration of migrant children from the Berlin district of Neukölln is promoted.

Germany, Berlin—Neukölln, Manna Family Centre
2013
New construction of a children's playground





COLLECTION OF MATERIALS GERMANY

Embodied inclusion. The "Club Behinderter" (Club of the Disabled) and their friends in Mainz are equipped with special painting and craft materials to support children with autism in daycares and nursery schools. The Club strives to promote the autonomy and independence of disabled members of society

and allow them to participate in their communities. To do so, the Club offers integration support in daycares and schools.

Germany, Mainz
2017
Collecting materials for "Club Behinderter"

PILGRIMAGE ITALY

Drawing strength from faith. Sick and disabled children, as well as their families, are forced to master various challenges in their daily lives, which families with healthy and non-handicapped children can barely imagine. This pilgrimage to Rome, with a festive prayer celebrated each day in a Papal Basilica,

helps give them new strength to overcome their daily struggles.

Italy, Rome
2017
Pilgrimage to Rome for children with disabilities



PRE-SCHOOL TANZANIA

Facilitating learning. Children should be given better perspectives with the construction of a pre-school in the village of Mkenda. It consists of several thatched huts. The village and the surrounding region are home to many people who fled the civil war in Mozambique, both Muslims and Christians. A few charitable nuns set up a now well-attended nursery school for small children.



Tanzania, Mkenda
2017
Construction of a pre-school

MUSICAL CLASSES & INSTRUMENTS ITALY



Playing music. With the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the Takabanda project receives new instruments as well as financing for teachers, to allow all schools of Montepulciano to teach their students an instrument, in addition to the regular subjects.

Italy, Montepulciano
"Istituto Antoniano"
2017
Education and instruments for children in orphanages

SUPPORT FOR REFUGEE SCHOOLS JORDAN

Jordan, Azraq
2017
Educational support for Syrian refugee children

Expansion of an educational programme. Together with help alliance GmbH, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, supports Syrian refugee children and teenagers living in Jordan, around the

city of Azraq. This gives them back some stability in their daily lives, in spite of their precarious situations, and additionally ensures that they receive continued access to the educational system.





“Regine Sixt is a remarkable personality, and I am delighted that the support of her Foundation has already allowed us to construct three Fly & Help schools in Africa!”

Reiner Meutsch,
Founder of the FLY & HELP
Foundation



CONSTRUCTION OF A SCHOOL KENYA



Advancing education. The Mekaela Ratinga Junior School is located near the coastal town of Ukunda, with about 50,000 residents. It was founded about three years ago by a Kenyan, and developed with the financial support of two German couples. In August 2014, the two couples transferred the school to the Mekaela Academies, an umbrella organisation of various Kenyan private schools. The quality of teaching at the Ratinga School had not been satisfactory.

This has changed with the help of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and Condor Airlines. The aim was to provide quality education, and in a few years also a degree, with which the students can attend secondary school. After the expansion, Ratinga can now accommodate up to 360 children and employs ten teachers and four assistants. The classes are limited to a maximum of 40 students. Eight further classrooms were needed to reach this goal: The expenses include the construction and equipping of five additional classrooms, a staff room, a toilet block, and a library. >>

Kenya, Ukunda
2014

Expansion of a school





“Our aid organisation ConTribute and the Regine Six Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" are the perfect team to master this social project, both our organisations embody the sustainable support of children through education. With Fly & Help, we've additionally found an excellent partner, and we especially appreciate their high level of commitment.”

Ralf Teckentrup,
CEO Condor

CONSTRUCTION OF A SCHOOL KENYA



Educating and feeding pre-schoolers The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the Cargo Human Care e.V. association in the construction of the "Happy Child Education Center" for pre-schoolers in Nairobi, the capital of Kenya. Together with the Anglican Church and the esteemed Bishop Timothy Ranji, a small pre-school was established for children from a slum area in Kawangware, at the northern edge of Nairobi. The 45 children were previously cared for in rundown huts of corrugated iron. After the expansion, they moved to a school with three classrooms, for up to 100 children. The facilities now include a small office as well as a kitchen, to ensure that the little ones are provided with comprehensive care and healthy food.

Kenya, Nairobi
2017

Construction of a school for pre-schoolers

CONSTRUCTION OF A NURSERY SCHOOL SOUTH AFRICA



Safe refuge. "Lerato" means love. And that's exactly what Nancy Letswalo decided to call the children's day care centre she founded in the South African township of Hammanskraal, north of Pretoria, in 2014. Lerato currently cares for 45 children each day. In addition, Nancy Letswalo and her five employees also look after 150 orphans after school. Together with Joint Aid Management (JAM), a Christian humanitarian foundation, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation is supporting the complete remodel and expansion

of the centre.

Regine Sixt: "No child should have to do without comfort and a place of refuge. That's why I'm so grateful for the opportunity to support such a great project."

South Africa, Pretoria,
Lerato
2017

Construction of a nursery school

SCHOOL FURNITURE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY



A gateway to life. The objective of educational rehabilitation through LIFE GATE revolves around countering illiteracy and promoting the social integration of the illiterate. Today, over 200 children with physical and mental disabilities benefit from this offer.

Palestinian Authority,
Beit Jala
Rehabilitation centre
2017

New school furniture for children with disabilities



THEATRE SPACE ST. LUCIA



Learning through playing. In the secondary school Ciceron on St. Lucia, the curriculum includes theatre play. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and the Edward4Education Charity Foundation have added a theatre room to the secondary school, to allow the future high school pupils to learn as well as act out plays. A stage is installed in addition to laminate flooring suitable for the theatre.

Caribbean, St. Lucia
2017

Construction of a theatre room with stage



EQUIPMENT FOR A COMMUNITY CENTRE HUNGARY



Fit for life. Through the "Drying Little Tears" programme, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation made the rapid completion of an EU centre for Roma and Sinti children in the city of Pécs, Hungary, a reality. After only a few months of construction, the Foundation's joint project with the Order of Malta was launched on 14th October 2016, with a celebration attended by guests of all ages. Representatives of the Order of Malta from Hungary and Austria, and of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, cut the ribbon in Hungary's national colours and handed over the keys to the building.

Regine Sixt: "When the Malteser representative for Sinti and Roma, Dr Franz Graf Salm-Reifferscheidt, contacted me this summer, I was glad and quick to agree. We were able to take our trusting collaboration of the past few years and bring it here to Pécs. With the community centre, we will be getting the young children of the neighbourhood ready for school and thus for life. They will be integrated and supported by society. I am glad that we have been able to live up to the Foundation's four pillars of health, education, welfare, and emergency aid here as well."

Hungary, Pécs, "House of Inclusion"
2016

Construction and equipment of a community centre for Roma

MOBILE LIBRARIES VIETNAM



Vietnam, Mekong River Delta
2017
**Construction and equipment
of three mobile libraries**



Modern learning. With three mobile libraries including laptops, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation enables children in the Mekong River Delta access to the Internet and books. This project was realised together with the Dariu Foundation, which supports women with lower incomes and offers their disadvantaged children a brighter future. With these libraries, made from disused shipping containers, the poorest of the poor in rural areas of Vietnam are given access to books as well as laptops with Internet access.



CONSTRUCTION OF A PRIMARY SCHOOL SENEGAL



Facilitating schools. At 40 percent, young people in the Diourbel region of Senegal make up a large share of the total population. Many requirements are placed on the children, which prevent them from going to school. Less than half of children ages seven to twelve go to school. The percentage is even lower for those between 13 and 18 years of age, with less than a third attending school.

The village is located about 90 kilometres from the capital of Dakar, in the Réfane Souf municipality (Bambey district). The primary school in the Nianiar village was founded in 2010 by the government. It consists of two classrooms and two temporary buildings for 240 students (124 girls and 116 boys).

In the school year 2014/2015, another provisional space was constructed with the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, as the classrooms were completely overcrowded. A reading corner was also established.

Senegal, Nianiar, Diourbel Region
2014

Construction of a primary school

LEARNING STUDIO TURKEY



Empowering girls. The Aydin Dogan Foundation is committed to the education of girls and equal rights between men and women. To help make this a reality, the foundation supports institutions which conduct research related to education and women's issues and assign research assignments. With the help of the Regine Sixt Children's

Aid Foundation, a learning studio was set up in the Sema and Aydin Dogan Park in 2015

Turkey, learning studio
in the Sema and Aydin
Dogan Education Park
2015
Learning studio



CONSTRUCTION OF A FOOTBALL PITCH GERMANY



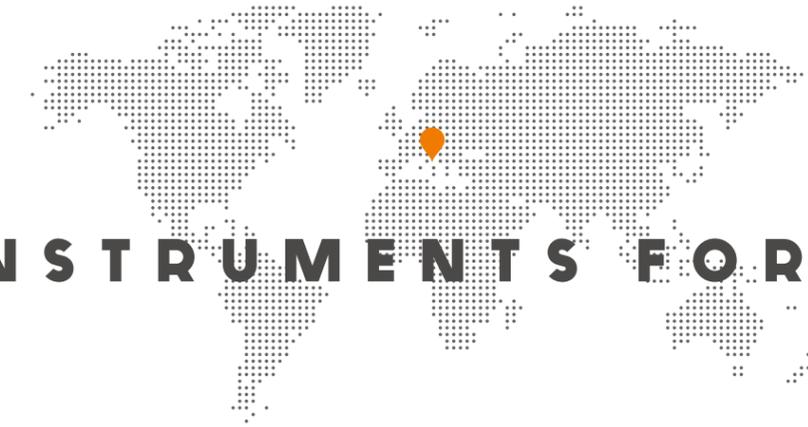
Kicks for everyone. The Michaelshof in Rostock is an inclusive school and after-school centre for children with developmental disabilities. Here, children with mental disabilities and severe physical disabilities study under one roof. The state and federal governments do not provide any extra support for such inclusive schools requiring intensive care of individual students. This led to the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supporting and sponsoring

the equipment of the interior rooms, not only constructing an inclusive playground but also a new football pitch.

Germany
Rostock, Michaelshof
2016
Construction of a football pitch



Italy, Montepulciano
 "Takabanda" programme
 2017
**Financing teachers and
 musical instruments**



MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS FOR A SCHOOL ITALY



Classroom orchestras. In the heart of Tuscany, in Montepulciano, students aged six and up go to school with their instruments. Here, in addition to their normal school schedule, they take lessons from four professional music teachers from the "Music Institute Henze". To date, 761 students have enjoyed this special form of education, with the goal to gradually add these special classes to the regular curriculum for all students – and to test the skills they have learned at the end of the school year through the students' own compositions and concerts.

This programme is called Takabanda. With the growing demand, the goal is to found a wind instrument ensemble or big band in all schools. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation has contributed significantly to realising this goal, by financing the teacher wages for a year and purchasing new instruments, among which woodwind instruments.

This is a subject **Regine Sixt** is truly passionate about: "I am delighted by the opportunity to assist children in their musical education, especially in Italy, a country which has been so crucial to human musical development."

EDUCATION FOR REFUGEE CHILDREN LEBANON



Girl-power. Since the beginning of 2018, five-year old Nasran has been attending the pre-school of the Educational Centre on the Bekaa Valley near the capital of Beirut. With the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, "Drying Little Tears" and ora Kinderhilfe international e.V., a pre-school for refugee children with a primary school department opened its doors in Lebanon. This above all gives girls better chances at quality education.

"The Syrian girls need education as well as the appreciation they are shown here to get a real chance in life," explains Myrna, a teacher at the Educational Centre. "The girls are usually not really recognised within their families, especially if they have brothers. Many Muslim families from Syria still prefer their boys to attend school. The girls are expected to become a good wife and mother. They are married off at around 14 years of age, rely on their husband for care, and usually never see the inside of a school building." It's hard to overestimate just how important it is for them to attend school, which helps them broaden their horizons and gain better social skills. For the first time in their lives, they discover that there's more than just war and suffering. For the first time, the children discover what they're capable of, with someone showing a real interest in them and where they come from.

Lebanon, Beirut, Bekaa Valley
2017
Construction of an educational centre

EXPANSION OF A CARE CENTRE HUNGARY



Hungary, Tarnabod
2017
**Expansion of
a care centre**

Modern communication. Together with the international Malteser organisation and the Malteser Hilfsdienst e.V., the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation helped make another educational project in the Hungarian village of Tarnabod a reality. In addition to the establishment of a vegetable and flower garden, the ten new computers for the preschool and two computers for after-school care, help the children communicate and prepare them for daily digital life. The school now also has a playground for the youngest pupils as well as new books and furniture for the library. To make sure that the kids get their servings of sports and fun as well, the school has playing equipment for 100 kids, as well as new football shoes for 33 young players at the nursery school's football club.



"Thanks to the long-standing cooperation with the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, which is based on great trust, we've jointly managed to realise 31 projects across the globe, bringing joy and hope to countless children."

Douglas, Graf von Saurma-Jeltsch
Managing Director
of the Malteser Hilfsdienst





RENOVATION OF A SCHOOL

Education for refugee children. Together with project partner Habitat for Humanity Germany, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation started the renovation of a school for Syrian and Pakistani refugee children, providing the school with new equipment as well. The facility cares for 1,500 refugee

children between the ages of 3 and 14, of which 50 have special needs and disabilities.

Lebanon, Beirut
2018
Construction and equipment for a school



MUSIC SCHOOL

Musical education. To support the Fondazione Cantiere Internazionale d'Arte di Montepulciano, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation made it possible for the music school to purchase a piano.

In 2016 and 2017, the Foundation already made it possible to finance music teachers and purchase wind instruments as well as orchestra equipment.



Italy, Montepulciano
2017
Purchasing a piano for musical education



RENOVATION OF A CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND

ISRAEL

Integrative playground The Kiryat Menachem district of Jerusalem is primarily inhabited by poor Jewish immigrant families from Northern Africa, Ethiopia, and the former Soviet Union. Almost 40 percent of households receive social care and almost half of all inhabitants are under the age of 24. Poverty, youth crime, dropping out of school, and drug abuse characterise the district.

To date, around 50 children between the ages of five and six were left with worn-out playing equipment on rough sandy soil, some of which were no longer in functioning condition, in the playground of the poor Kiryat Menachem district. Thanks to the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the Jerusalem Foundation was able to start with a substantial renovation of the playground, including comprehensive landscaping and planting. The renovation turned the playground into an inviting centre for local kids, radiating positivity through the neighbourhood.

Israel, Jerusalem, Kiryat Menachem
2010
Renovation of a children's playground



CONVERSION OF A PRIMARY SCHOOL

New classrooms. The Dariu Foundation has been supporting projects in Vietnam for 15 years, assisting 10,000 children with microcredits, scholarships, and the financing of educational programmes. With the help of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, a primary school teaching 400 children was converted, after already successfully realising a project

for mobile libraries in Vietnam. In addition to six new classrooms, the project involved the construction of new sanitary facilities and water tanks as well as a playground.

Vietnam
2018
Conversion of a primary school



YOUTH CAMP AND TEAM BUILDING SCOTLAND



New challenges "Camp Highlander" is an adventure camp that took 35 boys between the ages of 12 and 16 from economically disadvantaged families on a trip around Scotland for 11 days, thanks to support from SIXT UK and the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. The camp's core values and activities included team building, virtues, wilderness, games, and camaraderie. Organised by the Thurn and Taxis family and friends, the boys started the trip by camping on the beach for three days. After this, they ventured into the Highlands, where they faced the challenges of the wilderness: camping by the river, cooking over an open fire, and a two-day hike through the Scottish mountains. These outdoor experiences taught the teenagers about supporting weaker companions, reflective thinking, and dedication.

S.H.D. Prince Albert II of Thurn and Taxis: "I would like to express my appreciation to 'Drying Little Tears' for their kind and generous support of Camp Highlander: For many years, boys from all over Europe have been able to experience nature and adventures and grow into responsible young adults, thanks to the help of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation."

Great Britain, Scotland, Luffness, Camp Highlander
2015, 2016 + 2017
Youth camp and team building for adolescents

TRAFFIC EDUCATION GERMANY



A safe journey to school. Children face many dangers in road traffic. The prevention project "Twinkle in the Dark" introduced third-grade pupils of the Grünwald primary school to the problem of visibility in the dark, made possible by two district police officers. It helps children better understand the dangers of traffic. As a preventative measure for over 1,000 pupils, each child received a reflecting jacket and bright, green raincoats for their schoolbags, with the support of "Drying Little Tears" of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation.

Germany, Munich
2013, 2014, 2015, 2016 + 2017
**Traffic education
"Twinkle in the Dark"**

EQUIPMENT FOR AN ORPHANAGE ITALY



Music & recreation. A former Franciscan monastery from 1218 now houses the Istituto Antoniano orphanage, in which the sisters care for the musical education of orphans from the poorest families with great dedication. In addition to regular and musical education, during which the pupils learn how to play an instrument, the programme includes the organisation of leisure time and outdoor playing activities. Together with the cooperation partner, Istituto Figlie del Divin Zelo Antoniano Casa D'Accoglienza from Montepulciano, "Drying Little Tears" of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation made it possible to purchase new musical instruments for the orphanage. Furthermore, a team of teachers realises special education projects together with the sisters and local social service providers.

Italy, Montepulciano
2017
**New musical instruments
for an orphanage**



INTERACTIVE LEARNING SPACE ISRAEL



Interactive and individual. With the support of "Drying Little Tears" and Jonathan Lyons, an interactive learning room is set up for first and second graders at the Chemed School in the underprivileged Kiryat Menachem district of Jerusalem.

Education should be interactive and tailored to the individual needs of children; learning not only takes place at the school desk, but also in a more inviting and playful environment, in two specially furnished rooms. It allows children

to learn independently and in groups, stimulating their motivation and individuality. Focus is placed on maths, Hebrew, and natural sciences.

Israel, Jerusalem
2019

Interactive learning space for a primary school

SCHOOLHOUSE AND LIBRARY BARBADOS



Barbados, St. Michael
2019

Conversion and providing equipment for the schoolhouse and a library for children with a disability

Schoolhouse for Special Needs in Barbados. The Schoolhouse for Special Needs in St. Michael isn't a typical educational institution. Away from their parent's homes, children with special needs can find refuge here, a place where they can learn, flourish, and develop independence in a safe environment.

Children hold a special place in the heart of Yasmin Vlahakis, Principal of the Schoolhouse. This is why she started devoting her work to children with special needs from

socially disadvantaged families many years ago. Since 2008, she has had seven very caring, dedicated, and qualified teachers on board to support her.

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, with "Drying Little Tears", funded the furnishing of the existing library and repurposing of a shipping container to serve as an expansion to the institution.





EXERCISE PROGRAMME GERMANY

New equipment and great fundraiser: The Sophie Scholl schools in the Hessian town of Bad Nauheim want to create a new exercise programme, which also meets the special demands placed on inclusive schools. With the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the exercise hall was reconstructed and almost completely fitted with new equipment, which can be moved, modified, and combined in a wide range of ways. The concept also offers the option of integrating wheelchairs and other aids.



Germany, Bad Nauheim
2019
Exercise programme for inclusive school

The renovations were supported by a wonderful campaign: The team of SIXT Region Central, who were invited by Peter Knippel, called on financial support for "Drying Little Tears" to realise this project in front of 350 SIXT members, during their kick-off event in Frankfurt am Main.



SPACE FOR MUSIC HUNGARY



Promoting young musicians. The "Symphony Music Educational Program" was among others initiated to promote early childhood musical education. The roof of the educational centre for Roma and Sinti children in Tarnabod, the construction of which was already supported within the framework of a previous project, should now be expanded to host a musical centre. A larger music room, small practice space, storage space for instruments, as well as stairs to the upper level are planned.

Hungary, Tarnabod
2019
Expansion of the top floor to host a music hall



PROVIDING EQUIPMENT FOR CLASSROOM GERMANY

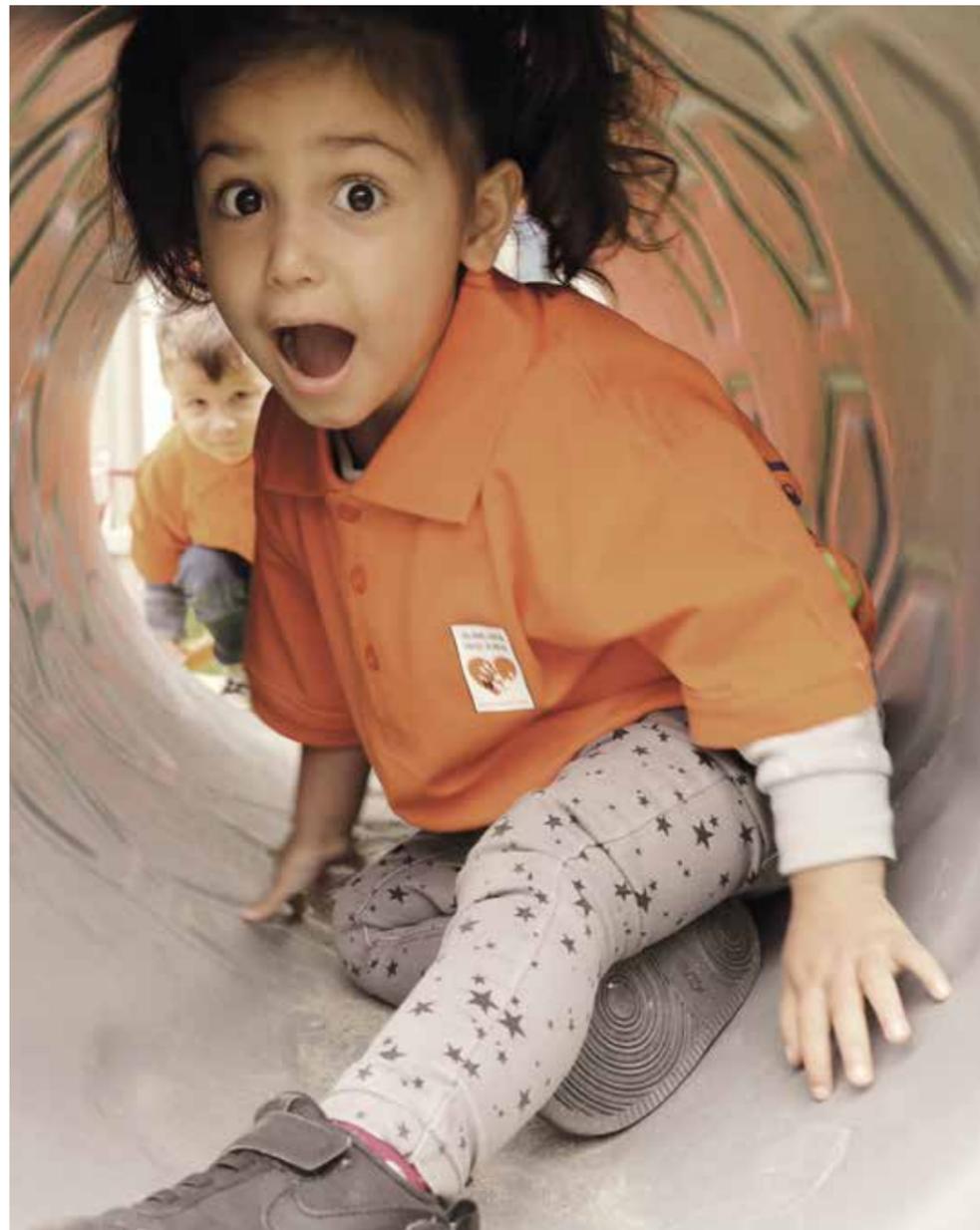
Germany, Rostock
2019
Providing equipment for four classrooms of an inclusive primary school with a daycare centre



Modern, inclusive school concept. Education makes life opportunities accessible for children and opens doors to a successful future. However, every child is different, with different strengths and concerns. And every child learns in an individual way. That is why a fully developed pedagogical concept and appropriate space are essential for children to learn successfully – especially if they have special needs due to social, psychological, or physical impairments.

LandSchulCampus is an elementary school with after-school care in Rostock that prioritises inclusivity. Here, children with and without special educational needs learn together.

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation helped implement the inclusive school concept. In August of 2019, 75 students between the ages of 6 and 11 moved into the new classrooms with modern facilities and started the new school year. They now learn together without barriers, thus demonstrating the value of diversity.



New playing equipment for the Tempelacker daycare centre.

The Tempelacker daycare centre is an institution founded by the GHG (Charitable and Aid Organisation St. Gallen) more than 140 years ago, which cares for and helps educate children in a wide range of fields. A residence for toddlers from struggling families ensures stable conditions and a promising future. Special therapy centres throughout eastern Switzerland additionally offer occupational and physical therapy for children with mental and motor impairments.

In 2018, SIXT Switzerland employees organised a raffle, with the proceeds donated to the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears", to finance part of the renovation of the tumbledown and derelict playground of the Tempelacker daycare centre. The efforts made by the Swiss SIXT employees drew the attention of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" to the institution and its needs, which made it possible to purchase and install a large sandbox and a protective awning.

Switzerland, St. Gallen

2019

Sandbox with awning for the Tempelacker daycare centre



NEW PLAYING EQUIPMENT
SWITZERLAND



MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

ISRAEL



"Sulamot – music for social change". Playing music together and using music to share values with children that will help them as they grow up in disadvantaged regions in Israel – this is the goal of the project. Sulamot (Engl: 'musical scale') was launched in October 2010 as a joint programme with the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra and Tel Aviv University.

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supported the Sulamot programme at two of the country's schools by purchasing a number of musical instruments. With the Foundation's help, a total of 120 Muslim and Jewish children play music together on clarinets,

saxophones, double basses, and flutes in the Sulamot orchestras.

Zubin Mehta, Musical Director of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, expresses his deep gratitude: "With the generous support provided by the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation for the Sulamot programme, we will also be able to make the world a better place for the disadvantaged children in Be'er Sheva, using the power of music."

Israel, Be'er Sheva
2019
**Musical instruments
for 120 children**





PROJECTS
WELFARE

“To care for others, kindles the
spirit of a nation.”

MICHAELSHOF GERMANY



Germany, Rostock
2015

**Expansion of the Michaelshof school
for children with developmental
disabilities, together with an
inclusive after-school centre**



A NEW HOME

Inclusive forms of education. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" supports the expansion of the care centre of the Michaelshof Evangelical Foundation, which runs facilities to support and promote people with mental and multiple disabilities. For 23 years, Michaelshof has also been operating a school and after-school programme for children with developmental disabilities. In the 2013/2014 school year, the school for children with developmental disabilities was transformed into an inclusive school, which means that children with and without disabilities learn together under one roof. >>

Regine Sixt at the opening of the inclusive after-school centre of the Michaelshof for children with developmental disabilities in Rostock.





“It is the task of society to create social spaces which facilitate successful inclusive integration. The commitment and support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation allowed us to, among other things, realise successful daily operations at the after-school centre, with a varied range of offers.”

Alexandra Falkner
Head of the after-school centre of the Michaelsschule



Children with and without disabilities are learning together.

With cooperative and inclusively designed forms of education, they are brought together – in this setting, the level of disability that society sees in a child plays little role.

In the summer of 2015, the school and after-school centre moved to a new facility, which can now facilitate the expanded educational and school-accompanying activities. For example, the after-school centre expanded its capacities from just a handful of spots to a capacity of 132, with 1,000 m² of floor space and an outdoor area.

Unfortunately, the state and federal governments do not provide any extra support for such inclusive schools requiring intensive care of individual students, let alone for expensive relocations with the structural restoration of a new building. This inspired the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation to support this project. The Foundation financed the interior renovations as well as the equipment of the new after-school centre. The new after-school centre was officially inaugurated at the end of August 2015.



“I would like to congratulate all participants on this fantastic project they’ve realised. A marvellous new home has been created for the school and the after-school centre at the Michaelshof.”

Regine Sixt

RENOVATION OF A PLAYGROUND

ISRAEL



Joy in everyday life. The Hanotrim nursery school is located in one of the poorest and most densely populated neighbourhoods of Jerusalem. The children who attend it (between three to five years old) all come from disadvantaged backgrounds; many are children of immigrants. The children receive afternoon care in the nursery school and are served lunch.

The daily school hours are long, but it allows the parents to look for full-time employment. The derelict condition of the school inspired the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation to take care of the extensive renovation of the playground's outdoor area, together with the Jerusalem Foundation. This included fitting landscaping and new flooring. The playing equipment was replaced as well. Since its completion in 2011, the children have been able to use the facilities of the nursery school without a care.

Israel, Jerusalem, Hanotrim Nursery School
2011
Renovation of a playground and purchasing new playing equipment





ESTABLISHING A PETTING ZOO

GERMANY



Animal welfare. The Irmengardhof of the Björn Schulz Foundation is situated in Mitterndorf, near Gstadt am Chiemsee. It offers refuge, a space of retreat and relaxation for families and relatives of those stricken by cancer, as well as the chronically and terminally ill, and children, adolescents, and young adults with disabilities. The idyllically located three-sided yard on the western shore of the Chiemsee was extensively renovated and modernised step by step.

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation realised an animal enclosure, with the presence and caring for animals assuming an important role in the therapy of sick children. The large garden not only holds a fireplace and playground, but also houses donkeys, hares, and guinea pigs.

Germany, Gstadt am Chiemsee Mitterndorf; Irmengardhof

2011

Construction of an animal enclosure for the therapy of sick children

FILLING AN ORPHANAGE WITH LOVE MAURITIUS



Mauritius, Quatre Bornes
2018
Renovation of an orphanage & purchasing a playing container

Hope embodied. The brown eyes of children look into the camera with astonishment and hope, and the playful Pippi Longstockings braids radiate a feel-good atmosphere with cheerful, yellow ribbons. Jean Cardinal Margéot, the former Bishop of the Mauritian capital of Port Louis, gracefully holds his hands around the little orphans, radiating shelter, power, and blissful tranquility. The helpful, loving, and stimulating atmosphere of the Crèche Coeur Immaculé de Marie orphanage has been lovingly created by the Cardinal for decades, who cares for the home as a "father" and developed the "Daycare Centre of Quatre Bornes" into a safe haven for the little ones from the high plains of Mauritius – from orphan babies up to five-year-olds without a home.

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation's "Drying Little Tears" initiative was delighted to start renovation work on the home and brighten the little ones' living space, to mark the orphanage's 75th anniversary on 3 November 2018. A playing container was purchased to maintain and improve the care provided to the children in need. Four sisters of the "Filles de

Marie" religious order, which has been active on Mauritius for over 150 years, care for 30 children between the ages of zero and five, together with 18 employees. The sisters additionally run a pre-school in the orphanage, which accepts children of all religions.

Even though there's a sad and heartbreaking story behind every child, the four nuns and their team continually manage to touch and inspire the little orphans and the team of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. The responsible nun Marie-Lourdes had the following to say about the anniversary: "Whenever we celebrate festivities such as Easter and Christmas, all the children are joyous and excited. It's time to party. They are given gifts and are happy." Happiness and joy are always great companions to childhood, offering an earnest perspective of hope. Marie-Lourdes: "Here at the orphanage Crèche Coeur Immaculé de Marie, we live like we're one family. The children receive love, attention, education, and everything else they need."

EXPANSION OF A NURSERY SCHOOL LITHUANIA



Modernisation. Since 2006, there have been four daycare centres in Vilnius, Kaunas, Marijampole, and Siauliai. Many of the children come from poor families with unemployed, disabled, or sick parents. Together with the Order of Malta, the four daycare centres were renovated and equipped with new furniture and playing equipment for the common areas and pre-school spaces. All four daycare centres offer the children a special programme.

Lithuania, Marijampolė
Kaunas, Siauliai & Vilnius
2012
Renovating & providing equipment to four daycare centres

ORPHANAGE MALTA



Malta, Ursuline Home
2012
Renovation of an orphanage



Offering perspectives. On the northeastern coast of Malta, the Ursuline sisters offer abandoned and ill-treated children individual care. The social backgrounds of the children make it impossible for them to live with their natural families. In four different homes, the children and adolescents learn the skills they need to be integrated back into society, which gives them a perspective to lead independent lives.

The employees of the SIXT Franchise Partner Malta initiated



the project, and the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed, among others, the renovation of, and furnishings for, the "Crib" home, which houses 50 children between the ages of zero and four.

HOUSE OF ENCOUNTER SPAIN



Embodying Europe. The European House of Encounter in Foncebadón, Castile in Northern Spain, offers disadvantaged young people a place to retreat to gain spiritual experiences, and to meet other young people from across Europe. The non-profit organisation on the pilgrimage route to Santiago de Compostela is dependent on donations. Mauritia Mack of the Europa Park in Rust, Germany, as well as the Kleine family of the Glaskoch/

Leonardo Company, handed over a donation to Pallottines Father Gaspar Vega Fidalgo and the organisation's chair Norbert Scheiwe of the Verein HEE. e.V. association. The donations were collected through the sales of a jewellery line.

Spain, Foncebadón
2011
Charity collection of adolescents

SCHOOL EXPANSION

GABON



Medical aid, educational care. In a former mission station near Mayumba in the hinterland of Gabon in Central Africa, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation together with Msgr. Prof. Dr. Schmitz (Institut Christuskönig) helped finance the construction of a small health care facility. The children are given first aid in medical emergencies and regular medical care as well. Malaria and various other malaria-like diseases spread by insects remain a serious threat in the country. Cases of leprosy and tuberculosis are also treated. The rooms of the small healthcare centre furthermore offer the possibility to continuously assist the little ones in their homework, and allow them access to education in spite of the severe burden placed on them by their illnesses.

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation has funded this project and is making an important contribution to improving the medical care and pre-school education of the children in Mayumba and the surrounding area.

Gabon, Mayumba
2013

**Construction of spaces to offer children care
and homework supervision**





“I’m delighted that the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation helped finance the new construction of the daycare centre, and would like to express my gratitude.”

Adélie Nel,
SIXT South Africa



Playing & learning. For the second time, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and the Swiss JAM Foundation supported the complete renovation of a daycare in the Orange Farm township outside Johannesburg. Before the renovation, the Rise Up daycare centre was housed in two containers, and a hut made of wooden boards and corrugated sheet metal served as a kitchen. Children used plastic buckets as potties, because there were no toilets. The plot did not have any monkey bars or other playing equipment to stimulate the motor skills of the children. Furthermore, the children only had a few mats at their disposal for their afternoon naps. Further furnishings were limited to a few plastic chairs, without any educational material, books, or games.

Thanks to the support of "Drying Little Tears" and JAM, the daycare centre was provided with a new isolated pre-fab construction on a concrete foundation, including four rooms, a kitchen, and toilets. The plot was furthermore fitted with a strong fence. After a local construction company erected the building and the fence, the centre was colourfully painted, a playground was created including monkey bars, and a vegetable garden and a few trees planted. The rooms were fitted with mattresses, blankets, chairs, and educational playing and learning material.

South Africa, Johannesburg Township Orange Farm
2014
Renovation of a nursery school

EXPANSION OF A PLAYGROUND AND PLAYHOUSE HUNGARY



Carefree times. The Regine Six Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" built and renovated a playground with a playhouse in Budapest in cooperation with the Order of Malta Hungary. The playground was ceremoniously opened on 18 October 2014. The project wants to offer children in the neighbourhood a safe space. The third district of Budapest consists, among other parts, of a prefab estate in which thousands of people live together in very close quarters.

The new playing equipment meets safety requirements and meals can be prepared in the attached playhouse. The plot holds space for 200 children and adolescents, who can freely discover the new playing equipment and spend some care-free hours. Furthermore, social therapists care for the young visitors, and those in need of special care are provided with breakfast and dinner. Especially over the school holidays, many parents are not able to offer their children proper meals.

Hungary, Budapest
2013
Construction and furnishing of a playhouse and playground

FOOTBALL CAMP BRAZIL



Playing football & discovering team spirit. With the "Drying Little Tears" initiative, the Regine Six Children's Aid Foundation, together with the Order of Malta, supports the renovation of a sports complex and the construction of a new soccer field in São Paulo. The new sports centre facilitates 420 children and young adults, who can learn how to be integrated into a community and explore and

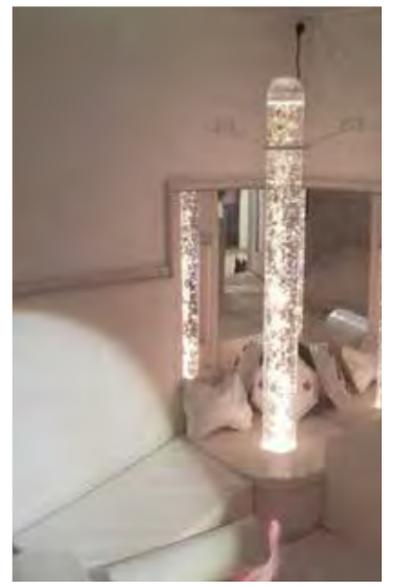
Brazil, São Paulo
2013
Construction of a football pitch

try out new skills through sports and play. A wide range of sports is offered, from the Brazilian martial arts form of Capoeira through to dance lessons, football, and exercise games. There's something for all ages.

SPECIAL NURSERY SCHOOL ROMANIA



Romania, Cluj
2014
Providing equipment for a special nursery school



Teaching aids. In a follow-up project, the Regine Six Children's Aid Foundation helped provide new furnishings for the Special Nursery School Cluj in Romania, operated by the Order of Malta. In the special nursery school, 21 children with severe locomotor and other disabilities and their families are cared for.

It is the only facility for children of pre-school age with such disabilities in the city of Cluj. Because the state and city do not provide any financial assistance, the Regine Six Children's Aid Foundation has already been supporting this important centre for a longer period.



FURNISHING A SLEEPING QUARTER ISRAEL



Israel, various baby homes
2014
Furnishing baby rooms

Stimulating the senses. With light effects, sounds, tactile materials, and fine aromas, the five senses of children who struggle with trauma are stimulated, allowing them to master their difficulties in a safe environment. The "Center for Babies at Risk „Beit Pa'amonim" in Israel offers a home to 25 young children,

accompanying them on their path towards a better future with the support of the charitable women's organisation WIZO.



“The inclusive school camp 'Wartaweil am Ammersee' lake could facilitate many beautiful and valuable encounters between children with and without disabilities, during musical and play activities, thanks to the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. I express my sincere gratitude for this valuable support.”

Rainer Salz,
Managing Director School Camp Wartaweil



RENOVATION OF A SCHOOL CAMP GERMANY



Barefoot path & wheelchair swing. The Wartaweil school camp in Bavaria was the first completely barrier-free and accessible school camp in Germany for disabled children. Other school camps have since followed suit. Wartaweil continues to be a flagship project. “The special furnishings, including care baths and beds, barrier-free access to the lake, and the large park with many leisure facilities such as swings for disabled people, make Camp Wartaweil a unique place for inclusion”, said Alexander Sixt, Board Member of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, when opening the fundamentally renovated and newly equipped spaces of the centre. The spacious plot measuring 2.7 hectares with an expansive park offers special attractions such as a wheelchair swing and the barrier-free nature theme park where you can enjoy nature with all your senses on the barefoot path or in the herb garden. All guests have free access to swimming and boating, thanks to the barrier-free walkway directly on the Ammersee.

Germany, Wartaweil / Ammersee

2016

Building renovation of an inclusive school camp

Germany, Berlin–Neukölln
2014
Restoration of a gazebo and
garden area of a family centre



GAZEBO FOR A FAMILY CENTRE GERMANY



Natural learning environment. The “Zusammen Wachsen” (Growing Together) educational project at the MANNA family centre in Gropiusstadt, in the Neukölln district of Berlin, is run by the Order of Malta and has set itself the goal of getting children interested in nature and of creating educational spaces, which are often lacking for children in this district. MANNA is open to all and provides a very healthy learning environment for children, whose families are disadvantaged from a financial and educational point of view. The Regine Sixt Children’s Aid Foundation financed the restoration and interior furnishing of a gazebo for MANNA, through its “Drying Little Tears” initiative. Many SIXT Berlin employees helped out.

The garden of the allotment gardening project “Zusammen Wachsen” has an educational and experience component. It offers a small natural oasis in the midst of Berlin Neukölln’s concrete jungle. Creating a relationship with nature is necessary to promote awareness for the responsible handling of natural resources. When visiting the project, you’ll often look into the surprised little eyes of children, as they learn up close what the ingredients are of which their chips and ketchup are made.



RECORDING STUDIO & COMPUTER LAB GERMANY



Germany, Hamburg–Volksdorf
2014
Construction of a recording
studio and computer lab



Constructive project work. The Volksdorf youth centre in Hamburg gives young people a place to socialise and relax, away from the pressures of school, family, and life in general. In the centre, adolescents can create a tangible project, such as a piece of music, which gives them a source of pride and appreciation. The staff accompanies the process along various steps. At the beginning, the project groups decide on the type of project, such as rap, song, or instrumental.

They then record the finished product in the studio. In the studio, the children take care of the fine tuning, or compare their results with the results of other groups, for example merging a vocal piece with a rap, or a rap with a beat. The youth centre's plan to set up a recording studio is designed to offer young people another way to transform what are potentially destructive emotions into something constructive.

This way, groups with different interests are brought together, resulting in greater mutual respect, acceptance, and empathy. By financing the recording studio, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation joins forces with the Order of Malta to promote mutual tolerance and appreciation among people with different interests and backgrounds. The adolescents at Volksdorf take pleasure in music and are given the opportunity to create their own music together.

FURNITURE FOR AN ORPHANAGE ROMANIA



Creating a home. The St. John's House on the north side of the Romanian capital of Bucharest was founded 25 years ago. Sponsored by Caritas, it provides a new home for children living on the street and children from families in critical social circumstances. Together with Caritas Bucharest, "Drying Little Tears" has sponsored the purchase of new furnishings for several children's rooms, setting up a

therapy room, and an expansion of the common room so that many children can be helped in the future as well.

Romania, Bucharest
2014
Refurbishment of a
Caritas House

CONSTRUCTION OF A PLAYGROUND GERMANY



Playing in a safe environment. The mother-child house Karolina in the Au district of Munich offers pregnant women and single mothers a place to call home and support in everyday life. It currently houses 10 mothers and their 13 children. The courtyard of the building is a place for mothers to meet and exchange experiences, and gives the children a space to play. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation worked together with the Sozialdienst Katholischer Frauen e.V. association of Munich to expand the playground. A wooden fence was erected to protect the children, and financing was provided to purchase playing equipment for the courtyard.

Germany, Munich
2015
Children's playground at a mother-child home

CLEAN WINNERS GERMANY



Integration through sport. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed the new Clean Winners location in Rostock, for the care of socially disadvantaged children and young people through sport. "Clean Winners e.V." was founded in 1997 by former tennis pro Carl-Uwe Steeb, to provide socially disadvantaged children in Germany an opportunity for a

better life. Around 360 children are given support at 17 locations in Germany.

Germany, Rostock
2014
Inauguration of the
Clean Winners e.V.
project



“There’s no greater victory in life than giving up something for others, by investing in them – especially if this concerns those less privileged than us.”

Peter Reagan,
Writer



RENOVATION OF AN ORPHANAGE NIGERIA



Protection against the elements. In the summer of 2014, renovation work on the Compassionate Orphanage Home in Lagos started, with the financial support of “Drying Little Tears”. When the team of SIXT Nigeria and a representative from Germany, Sebastian Szautner, arrived at the Compassionate Orphanage Home around one year later, all the children dressed up for the occasion. They prayed and asked for a blessing of their new home, to express their gratitude for having a roof over their heads, no longer needing to fear the elements.

The **Daily Sun** from Lagos quoted writer Peter Reagan, “There’s no greater victory in life than giving up something for others, by investing in them – especially if this concerns those less privileged than us.” The Daily Sun continued, “In line with this conviction, the Regine Sixt Children’s Aid Foundation offers support to the Compassionate Orphanage Home in Greenland Estate, Idowu, Egbeda, Lagos. With the support of “Drying Little Tears”, the girl’s dormitory of the home was fitted with a new roof, with the old one having been broken for years.”

Nigeria, Lagos
2014

Renovation of an orphanage



NEW PLAYGROUND FOR A NURSERY SCHOOL ISRAEL



Playing in safety. In 2012, Regine Sixt, together with then-German President Christian Wulff, visited the Talitha Kumi Education Centre in Beit Jala near Bethlehem. The institution, which is supported by the Berliner Missionswerk, includes a nursery, a top-notch primary and secondary school, a hotel industry school, a girls' boarding house, and a large guest house. It provides a safe place for Palestinian girls and boys to study in what is otherwise a conflict-stricken environment.

After having established back in 2015 that the playground of the nursery school was in need of a thorough renovation, everything moved at record pace. The board of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation quickly and directly approved the costs at the beginning of March. The work started immediately and the new playground was inaugurated just a little over two months later. At the Talitha Kumi Education Centre in Beit Jala near Bethlehem, 120 girls and boys between the ages of three and six can play and learn.

Israel, Bethlehem, Beit Jala
2015
**Renovation of the outdoor play area
of a nursery school**





“I really look forward to singing and playing with the children and rolling up my sleeves as well, to help construct the new home for the Mahou kids.”

Letizia Garappa,
SIXT Switzerland



Better learning, playing in freedom. “I’m greatly touched by the children, who use their imagination and skills to craft ‘window curtains’ from paper or build musical instruments from bottle caps and empty shoeboxes, under such rudimentary conditions. I’m shocked to see just how poor the conditions are in which the future leaders of this country have to grow up, and how they are hindered by their personal circumstances. We need to do something.” These are the words written by Adèle Nel, Executive Head Operations Training at the SIXT South African Franchise Partner First Car Rental in June of 2015 to the Board of the Regine Sixt Children’s Aid Foundation, after she visited the “Mahou” nursery school in Township Orange Farm, Johannesburg. She asked for support. Only two months later, the Regine Sixt Children’s Aid Foundation decided to help finance the new construction of the Mahou nursery school together with the JAM Switzerland foundation and work on the “Drying Little Tears” project could begin right away. >>

South Africa, Johannesburg Township Orange Farm,
“Mahou” nursery school
2015

New construction of a nursery school



The new construction of the Mahou daycare centre marks a new chapter in the successful cooperation between the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and the JAM Switzerland foundation. Just one year earlier, the foundations together opened the newly constructed nursery school "RiseUp" in the south of Johannesburg. Once again, Adèle Nel of the SIXT franchise partner in South Africa and Letizia Garappa, a rental sales agent who works at SIXT Switzerland, around 9,000 km away from Mahou, joined forces on the project. Letizia Garappa has fully embodied the Corporate Social Responsibility programme of SIXT "Drying Little Tears", investing efforts into helping children and mothers help themselves.

Letizia Garappa once again volunteered to support the construction work and children on site. "I already look forward to singing and playing with the children and rolling up my own sleeves to help build the new home for the Mahou children. Even if it's hard to communicate at the beginning, a great sense of trust always develops right away." What could be better than giving the children at Mahou the opportunity to enjoy better education and a safe playing environment?

A PLAYGROUND EQUIPPED FOR THE DISABLED

FRANCE



Rompinq around without barriers. The Saint Jacques Pediatric Centre run by the Malteser in Roquetaillade cares for physically disadvantaged children and adolescents between the ages of 0 and 17, who often suffer from serious injuries such as burns. Together with the Order of Malta, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supported the construction of a playground suited to the needs of disabled children at the Centre Pédatrique Saint Jacques. Amongst other things, it provides families the opportunity to spend time together in a natural and pleasant environment.

The new playground is a therapeutic place, where the children can enjoy their lives to the fullest, despite their physical suffering. This new, accessible playground allows children to forget their health problems for a moment.

France, Montpellier, Roquetaillade
2015

New construction of a barrier-free playground



EDUCATIONAL PLAYGROUND AUSTRIA



Optimism and joy. When a child has a life-threatening or life-limiting illness, this has a huge effect on them, their families, and those who care for them. Furthermore it poses a long-standing, massive burden on the family. The Sterntalerhof is a children's hospice that takes care of seriously, chronically, and terminally ill children. The mission of the Sterntalerhof is to help keep things as cheerful as possible, providing as much a sense of security and joy for the children and their families as possible, especially for those families who do not know how many more tomorrows they will have together.

Therefore, Sterntalerhof takes an interdisciplinary approach combining elements of therapy and education, psychology, and counselling, combined with therapeutic riding. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" funded a playground and equipped it with new playing equipment, slides, a bird's nest swing, and a fort with a rope gym. Anke Stocker of SIXT Austria shared the following words on the project: "As a mother, I was immediately touched by the concept of the Sterntalerhof." She was also inspired by the "incredible amount of laughter" she heard during recreational time.

Austria, Siegersbach, Sterntalerhof Children's Hospice
2017
Financing an educational playground

"I was immediately touched by the concept of the Sterntalerhof, because the entire family is included in the concept and people there is a lot of laughter."

Anke Stocker,
SIXT Austria

RENOVATION OF A PAVILION GERMANY



Comprehensive inclusion. The Sophie Scholl School in Wetterau near Bad Nauheim is an inclusive school. Inclusion pursues the vision to cause changes in society, allowing everyone to access all aspects of it. The pavilion on the playground is the 'flagship' of the school and in urgent need of renovation. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation therefore supported the restoration of the pavilion at the Sophie Scholl School.

Germany, Bad Nauheim
2015
Renovation of the pavilion in the Sophie Scholl School

FOSTER CARE RENOVATION USA



USA, Massachusetts
New Bedford
2015
Renovation of a service centre



Professional service. The Kennedy Donovan Center is one of the largest social institutions in Massachusetts. For almost 40 years, it has been offering education, healthcare, and day schools for children with developmental disorders/disabilities – such as Down's syndrome and family problems. Each year, the centre offers care to 4,300 children between zero and three years of age. To expand its service, the Center purchased a 1,300 m² building, which had to be restored accordingly.

RENOVATION OF AN OUTDOOR AREA GERMANY



Splashing and climbing. Visitors to the Salberghaus usually first see the large playground outside the house, where a colourful crowd of children and adults play. A lot of playground equipment, such as swings, a wooden play ship, a large sandpit, and a tree house invite them to play, romp about, and

climb. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supported renovations to the facility.

Germany, Putzbrunn
2015
Renovation of an outdoor area



NEW CONSTRUCTION OF INCLUSIVE SPACES FRANCE



Collective integration. The Association Pour l'Innovation en Matière d'Intégration (APIMI) in France strives for a society in which all children grow closer together, and to promote the inclusion of children with disabilities – through "collective integration".

and their families. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation helped finance the construction of new common spaces in France.

France, 2015
Construction of new spaces for inclusive care

APIMI draws the social-educational interest, as well as the interest of civil society, from children without disabilities and their families, to the care for children with disabilities

SUPPORT FOR REFUGEES GERMANY



Reconciling differences. Together with the Order of Malta, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation is supporting a facility for unaccompanied minor refugees in Erfurt. As with the Burg Schwaneck project in Munich, the Foundation ensured that there was basic equipment and an infrastructure for the

unaccompanied young people. Another objective of the project is to bring together people from various cultures.

Germany, Erfurt 2015
Basic equipment for a refugee home



BURG SCHWANECK GERMANY



Reconciling differences. Together with the integration initiatives of German business, mobility service provider SIXT and the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation took over sponsorships for unaccompanied minor refugees. The Burg Schwaneck pilot project was equipped to serve as a refugee home and the necessary infrastructure was constructed. The overarching objective is to provide adolescents with new perspectives.



Germany, Munich, Burg Schwaneck 2015
Basic equipment for a refugee home

Germany, Offenburg, Children and Youth Hospice Kiju 2011, 2012, 2013 + 2014
Charity jewellery lines



CHILDREN AND YOUTH HOSPICE GERMANY



Sparkling aid. With the jewellery from the 2014 summer collection, Mauritia Mack from Europa Park, together with the glass and jewellery manufacturer Leonardo and the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, supported the Children and Youth Hospice "Kiju" in Offenburg in the Ortenau region. At Kiju, seriously ill children, adolescents, and their families are assisted through a difficult time. Support is also available to children and young people who are caring for their sick parents or siblings. Helena Gareis, coordinator of the Children and Youth Hospice Service "Kiju" says: "Small shoulders often bear a lot of responsibility." Kiju is fighting for the welfare of children and makes their lives worth living by offering them a lot of activities that allow them to forget everyday life for a short time. Grief work is key as well. Grief counsellors are there to help those affected through this difficult time of life.

The wish bracelet of the collection also radiates positive energy. "Darlin's hope III" is all about wishes. Each pearl has a special meaning. The charity jewellery collection already helped support various projects, such as the "Parent's house of the university hospital" in Freiburg in 2011, the "European House of Encounter" in Northern Spain in 2012, and the "Santa Ana" children's clinic in El Salvador in 2013.

"Small shoulders often bear a lot of responsibility."

Helena Gareis,
 Children and Youth Hospice Kiju

RENOVATION OF A NURSERY SCHOOL

SOUTH AFRICA



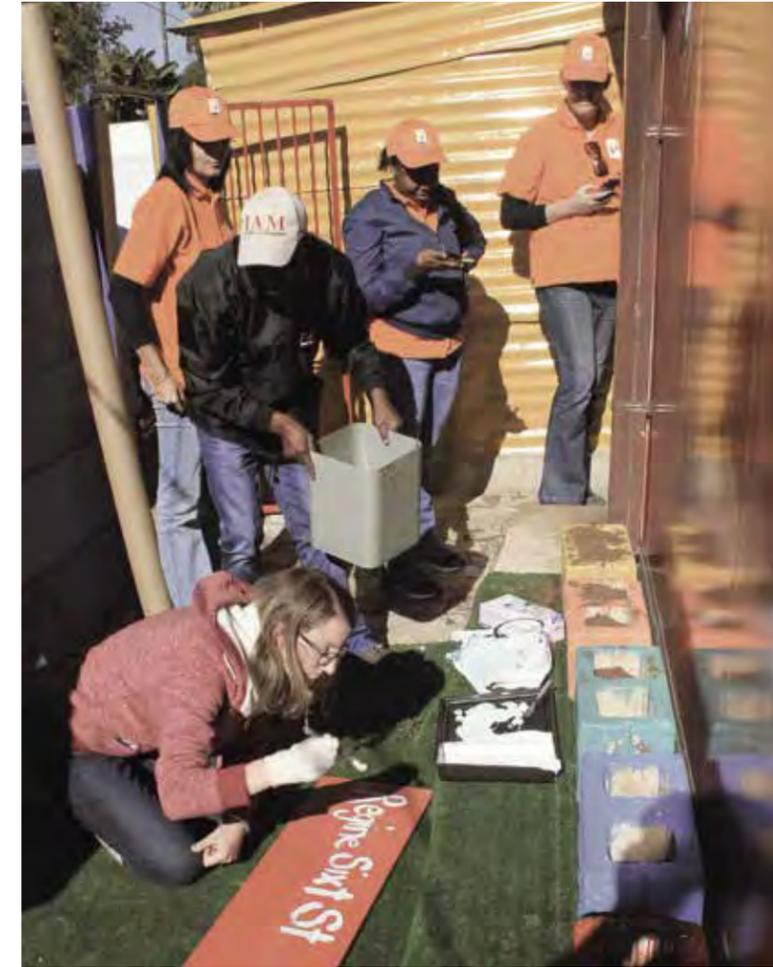
South Africa, Johannesburg
Township Zandspruit
2016
**Comprehensive renovation
of a nursery school**



No sweat, no chills. A better future has begun for the children in the "Dinoko" daycare centre in the densely populated township of Zandspruit, Johannesburg. Thanks to the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, new ground was broken at the end of July 2016 for the construction of a new daycare centre for 85 children. Instead of the shacks that are unbearably hot in the summer and zero degrees in the winter, thanks to "Drying Little Tears", the Dinoko daycare centre will have a newly laid brick building with well-ventilated and insulated rooms and enough toilets and learning and playing equipment for the children.

For the third time, a project partnership was made with the JAM Switzerland Foundation, working together on the Dinoko daycare centre after renovating the "RiseUp" nursery in 2014 and "Mahou" in 2015. Before the construction works, the Dinoko ("A small animal with horns") daycare centre could only provide makeshift care to 85 children. They may have had a roof over their heads, but the roof constantly leaked and in the hot summer and cold winter months it was impossible for the kids to play and learn. >>





The premises were very small, as is typical for this densely populated township, which is why there was no space for a garden and playground to play outdoors. Moreover, there was only one toilet used by adults and children alike, without a door. After construction of the new building was completed, the

children can look towards a brighter future with a smile on their face. The unbearable heat of summer and bitterly cold winters are no longer unbearable, and the kids can continue to play and attend pre-school year-round.



NEW KITCHEN FOR A NURSERY SCHOOL HUNGARY



Hot meals each day. The Csilla's House of Providence in Pécs is a Hungarian social service of the Order of Malta. The institution operates a soup kitchen, which serves children with disabilities from the eastern regions of Pécs as well as those who are cared for at a nearby nursery school. In addition, Csilla's House of Providence in Pécs has a delivery service that provides 25 families with meals, as well as takeaway meals for an additional 60 families.

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, together with the charity organisation of the Order of Malta, supported the completion of the existing building shell for the soup kitchen. The refurbishing of the kitchen helps to maintain the social kitchen service, which is of great importance to the region. For many of the children this is their only opportunity to have a hot meal. Primarily, the meals benefit the approximately 236 children between the ages of 1 and 14 – as well as their impoverished families.

Hungary, Pécs, Csilla's House of Providence
2015
Construction of a soup kitchen for children from poor families and their parents

SUPPORT FOR A GIRLS' SCHOOL INDIA



Direct aid. A thank-you letter from the head of the Bosco Vatsalya Bhavan girls' school: "We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude to the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation for their generous support to help disadvantaged girls in Bangalore, India, which we received in 2016. Many girls from the orphanage for street children in Bangalore have regained their confidence in

life, thanks to the financial support from Pullach and the creative efforts of the foundation with the charity jewellery collection 'Regine Sixt by Leonardo!'"

India, Bangalore
2016
Support for a girls' school

SUPPORT FOR THE FAMILY HOUSE NEPAL



Nepal, Bungamati
2015
Aid after an earthquake

Medical aid & school education. As part of the earthquake relief after the disaster in Nepal, the project Family House in Bungamati, about eight kilometres from Kathmandu, was developed in cooperation with the Honorary Consul General of Nepal, Ann-Katrin Bauknecht, and the Nepalese aid organisation MAITI-Nepal. It provides a home and education for orphans in the area.



NEW FURNITURE FOR THE LIVING ROOM GERMANY



Shining in many colours. The Ronald McDonald House was opened to provide a temporary home to families with severely ill children, who are treated in the Großhadern medical clinic. It cares for around 200 families each year. The House has 14 apartments, with ample space for families to be close to their seriously ill children.

To mark the 20th anniversary of the Ronald McDonald House, the outdated living room was refurbished.

Germany, Munich
2016
Furnishings for a Ronald McDonald House





SUPPORT FOR THE "ATEMZEIT" HOUSE GERMANY

work with this concept," explains Nina Jäger. The 38-year-old nurse, who cared for adults at the University Clinic of Gießen for over 16 years, heads the "AtemZeit" house.

Germany, Wölfersheim 2016
Equipment for a therapy room

A NEW SHED FOR PLAYING EQUIPMENT GERMANY

Something to brag about. The bond between the "Klaukschieter" (Low German: braggart) nursery school and Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation goes back many years. The storm-proof, seaside youngsters at the nursery school just want to romp about all the time. All the same, they need some sturdy playing equipment to prevent them from flying off the handle. The wheelbarrows, shovels,

excavators, and balls were in urgent need of a new tool shed. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed its construction.

Germany, Rostock 2016
Construction and equipment for a shed with playthings



CONSTRUCTION OF AN ADVENTURE GARDEN GERMANY

Experience nature. Together with the Johanniter Unfallhilfe e.V. association, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed a family and adventure garden at the "Sonnenschein" nursery school in Anklam.

Germany, Anklam 2016
Construction of a family garden



FURNISHING FOR AN EXERCISE ROOM GERMANY



Inclusive action. An exercise room is being built for the UG TABALINGO e.V. association in Stolberg near Aachen, to allow the around 320 children and adolescents to participate in cultural and sporting activities. Focus is placed on people with disabilities, who often face a lot of exclusion and rejection.

Germany, Stolberg 2016
Creating an exercise room

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME ITALY

The holiest blessing. Disabled youngsters and their caretakers travelled to Rome from 15 to 20 October 2016. They participated in a pilgrimage of the Order of Malta during the year of compassion.

Italy, Rome 2016
Pilgrimage to Rome for youngsters with disabilities



EQUIPMENT FOR A CHILDREN'S HOUSE GERMANY

Sheltered creativity. The newly furnished shelter for children who suddenly find themselves in dire straits, are struggling with trauma, or are in need of protection, was opened in September 2016. To carry out educational work with the

children, and to offer the strained children a homely environment, the entire facility was equipped with furnishings and equipment, financed by the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation.



Germany, Munich 2016
Furnishing a children's shelter



EXPANSION OF A COMMUNITY CENTRE BARBADOS

Caribbean, Barbados
St. Peter
2016
**Expansion of the WHIM
community centre**



Wholeheartedly. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the expansion of the WHIM Community Centre in St. Peter, Barbados. Thanks to the help of "Drying Little Tears", a new playground was built and furnishings for the centre acquired. The funds were, among others, raised by 'Drying Little Tears Barbados' at Barbados International Fair.

Regine Sixt, Chair of the Board of "Drying Little Tears" and Honorary General Consul of Barbados in Germany: "The Whim Community Centre employees are doing some great work! They enable countless children to develop their personality in a quiet and peaceful environment. I am delighted from the bottom of my heart that we can once again support a project that benefits the children of Barbados, by helping WHIM."

"Regine Sixt is a philanthropist, who is committed to improving the situation of disadvantaged people around the world. She also shares her passion for this work with her partners, through powerful corporate social responsibility programmes."

Senator Hon. Maxine McClean,
Minister of Foreign
Affairs and Foreign
Trade, Barbados





WHEELCHAIR CAROUSEL



Flying wheelchairs. This project underlines the close friendship between the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and the Sterntalerhof Children's Hospice. One year after the completion of a playground with a design incorporating educational components, the premises were expanded with a merry-go-round for wheelchairs. The experiences gathered over the first few weeks and months had shown that children with locomotor disabilities,

and above all those in wheelchairs, had a harder time using the playing equipment. This is why the carousel was added

Austria,
Loipersdorf-Kitzladen
2016
Purchasing a wheelchair carousel

RENOVATING A PLAYGROUND

ISRAEL



Israel, Jerusalem
2016
Renovating the playground of Pardes Hana nursery school

Sustainable care. The WIZO Comprehensive Care Centre strives to provide children up to the age of six, all over Israel, with a stable environment. The children of all religious backgrounds come from families which are unable to care for them for financial or health reasons.



NEW INSTRUMENTS

GERMANY



Playful imagination. New instruments were purchased for the educational and meeting centre Wartaweil, open to people with and without disabilities, to stimulate the pedagogic and therapeutic activities at the facility.



Music brings people together, nourishes the spirit, and touches the soul. In addition to classical guitars, Veeh harps were acquired for the centre: These plucking instruments

can be played without any knowledge of music notation. This new type of instrument opens up new perspectives and allows people of very different skill levels to play music together.

Germany, Wartaweil
2016
Purchasing Veeh harps and guitars

INTEGRATION PLAYGROUND

GERMANY



Playing without barriers. Thanks to the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, a swing and pavilion were constructed on the integration playground of the Johanniter Service station. Moreover, there now exists barrier-free access from the playground to the patio, youth space, and sanitary facilities.

This way, healthy and severely ill children can play with each other without a care.

Germany, Cottbus
2017
Expansion of an integration playground

CONSTRUCTION OF AN OUTDOOR ELEVATOR

GERMANY



A steep rise. The premises of the KinderLeben e.V. association in Hamburg-Schnelsen are located on the mezzanine floor, and were not accessible in a barrier-free manner until recently. The elevator makes life easier for those affected and their families.

Germany, Hamburg
2017
Construction of a wheelchair-accessible outdoor elevator



CREATING A "PEACE CORNER"

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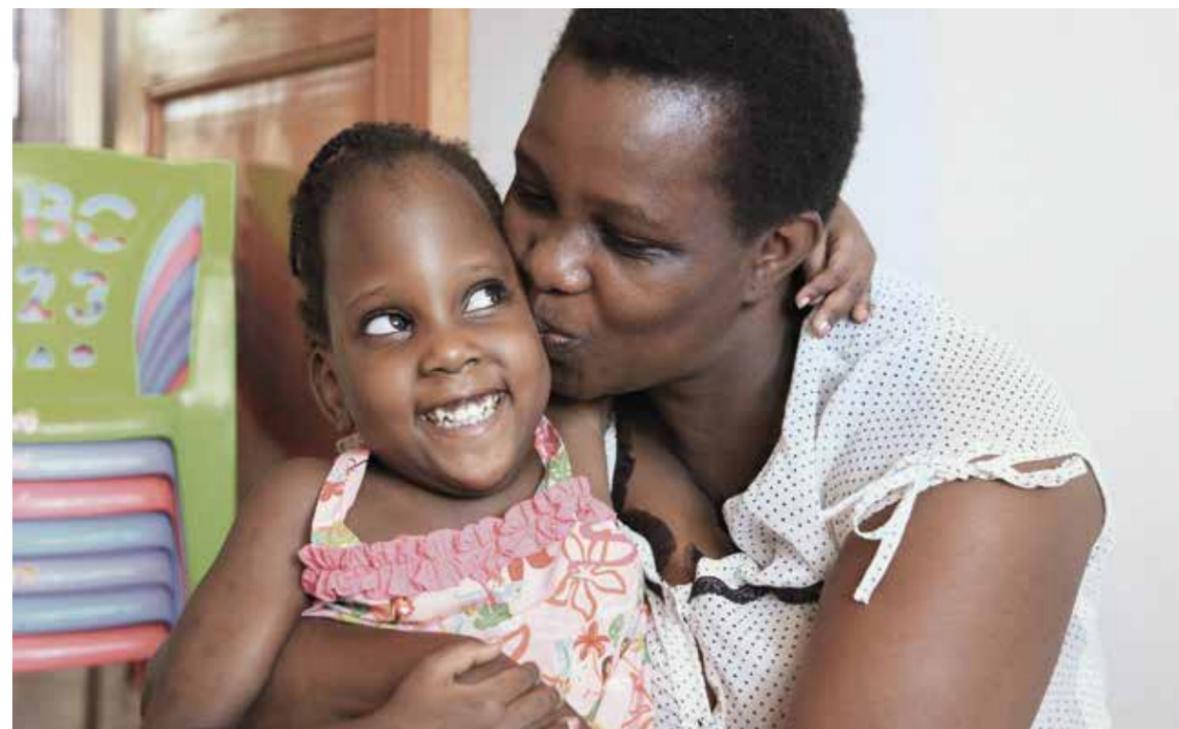
Creating relaxation. The project strives to help prevent violence. The construction of a "Peace Corner" above all serves to support youngsters who use violence as a way to vent their frustrations. Acts of violence time and again result in young people slipping into a spiral of criminality and drug abuse. The

Peace Corner should motivate them to solve problems without the use of violence.

Caribbean, St. Lucia
2017
Construction of a "Peace Corner"



SUPPORTING DISABLED CHILDRENS UGANDA



Self-help to fight exclusion. The self-help group Suubi Lyaffe in the Ugandan capital of Kampala has set up a daycare centre for mothers of disabled children, in which the little ones receive care. The disabled children are supported, and the mothers relieved, through the provision of wheelchairs and orthoses, as well as by supporting the children on their trips to school and to their treatment.

Disabilities continue to be stigmatised in Uganda, which causes a lot of problems. Children with disabilities are often hidden from the public, locked away, or abandoned – and sometimes, even killed. Mothers who have children with disabilities are usually left by the father of their children and ostracised by their extended families. There is hardly any support from the state.

Uganda, Kampala
2017
**Supporting the disabled
in a daycare centre**





A NEW PLAY SHIP GERMANY



Germany, Tangermünde
2017
Construction of a play ship for the "Kleine Ritter" nursery school

Set sail! The inclusive nursery school "Kleine Ritter" in Tangermünde was given a new play ship for its outside area, to give the little ones an exciting place to play. The inclusive nursery school "Kleine Ritter" now has plenty of space to offer 199 children with and without special needs the opportunity to play and learn together.



NEW CLIMBING TOWER GERMANY



Climb to the top. Purchasing new playing and climbing equipment as well as redesigning the open spaces of the inclusive nursery school Grubenstraße in Moosach: With the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and a donation from the Munich-based wholesaler Hamberger, the nursery school can now revamp its outdoor area with new playing and climbing equipment, as well as renovate its

open spaces. The crèche children as well as older play-buddies from the daycare centre can now make full use of them together.

Germany, Munich
2017
Purchasing a climbing tower



RENOVATION OF A NURSERY SCHOOL GERMANY



Climbing tree. The "Pustelichen" nursery school received new climbing equipment for its outdoor area, so that the children can play again without a care. The nursery school in Halle (Saale) is situated in a neighbourhood primarily populated by socially disadvantaged families. "Pustelichen" offers daily care

to 120 children with and without disabilities. This includes refugee children, who are given special learning opportunities.

Germany, Halle (Saale)
2017
Renovation of a nursery school

RENOVATION OF A NURSERY SCHOOL LITHUANIA



A quiet retreat. The nursery school first and foremost focuses on offering comprehensive care to disadvantaged children: They are given free meals, healthcare, and a place to stay and receive loving support – from homework supervision up to artistic education. By now, the Order of Malta in Lithuania cares for 250 young people. In Vilnius, 15 children between the ages of 8 and 12 enjoy refuge with playing options surrounded by greenery. The

financial support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation allowed for comprehensive renovation works, with an overhaul of the soil, electrical system, and ceilings.

Lithuania, Vilnius
2017
Renovation of a nursery school

A NEW PLAYGROUND ITALY



Enchanting swing with seesaw. A playhouse, swing, and two seesaws were purchased for the patio of the orphanage run by the Istituto Figlie del Divin Zelo Antoniano Casa D'Accoglienza in Montepulciano, which previously did not have any playing equipment for the children.

After the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation had provided financial support and the Ministry of Culture had granted the necessary approvals, the project was underway quickly and could be ceremoniously opened just a few months later.

Italy, Montepulciano
2017
Construction of a children's playground

SUPPORT FOR A SPECIAL NURSERY MONGOLIA



Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar
2017
New equipment for a nursery
school and a special daycare centre



Promoting development. Children and young people in Mongolia with physical and mental disabilities lack facilities and professional advice and treatment. There are only a few points of contact for parents of such children, only a few spots in nurseries, and only a few non-governmental organisations who care for disabled children. In most cases, the children are usually looked after by family members at home. We time and again meet families who have received poor advice and information from Mongolian doctors and are ashamed of their child's disability.

Together with the Freundeskreis Mongolei Association, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation strives to push forward the development and support of disabled children in Mongolia. A special daycare centre and nursery school in the capital of Ulaanbaatar required new games and playing equipment. Furthermore, a workbench, rocking horses, and partly new floor coverings and mats, music equipment, and special seating furniture with tables and therapeutic standing supports were purchased for children who cannot stand up and require support sitting. A new beamer in the special daycare centre and nursery school is now used for the screening of films and documentaries – and can also be used for theatre presentations. A new blackboard is used during the group classes for children aged seven and up.






CONSTRUCTION OF A CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND ISRAEL



Playful togetherness. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation worked together with the Jerusalem Foundation to construct a new playground for the HaMamzi nurseries in Har Choma, in the southern part of Jerusalem. They are attended by 70 young children. The connected playgrounds, where children from the neighbourhood also spend carefree hours playing, no longer met the relevant safety standards. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation therefore supported the new construction project.

The Jerusalem Foundation has been working for over four decades for equal opportunities and building a sustainable coexistence in social, educational, and cultural fields in Israel. It has long partnerships with numerous population groups in Jerusalem and works for the benefit of everyone, the Jewish and the Arab population alike. Of the over eight million Israelis, almost ten percent live in the capital of Jerusalem. The city districts lie directly adjacent to each other, with around 496,000 Jews (65 percent) and around 268,000 Arabs (35 percent) living there. The decades of Arab-Israeli conflict brings tensions between the communities and thus places a burden on the lives of families and children from the region.

Israel, Jerusalem, Har Choma
2013
Construction of a children's playground



EXERCISE SPACE GERMANY

Inclusive action. An exercise room was constructed for the UG TABALINGO e.V. association in Stolberg near Aachen, to allow the around 320 children and adolescents to participate in cultural and sporting activities. Focus was placed on people with disabilities, who often face a lot of exclusion and rejection.

Germany, Stolberg
2017

Creation of an exercise room for inclusive training



OFFERING COMFORT GERMANY

Making the inconceivable tangible. The Johanniter Unfallhilfe e.V. association set up a grief support service for children, under the project name "LACRIMA". The regional association Minden-Ravensberg supports children who've lost an important family member. The children craft so-called "MaPaPu's" (Mommy-Daddy Dolls). These help the children, in making an inconceivable loss somewhat more tangible. SIXT employees Jana Vormschlag and Christoph Rosenfeld supported the great project on site.

Germany, Ravensberg-Minden
2019
Crafting therapeutic dolls



NEW OUTDOOR FACILITY GERMANY



Support for inclusive and integrated living. The mother-child home KOCHENDÖRFER in Halfing (Chiemgau region) has been providing care for over 50 years. Two fully assisted living units were merged into one fully assisted living facility for 12 mothers and their children in 2016, together with an external residential group with three spots to help them regain their independence.

"Drying Little Tears" supports the Kochendörfer gGmbH charity organisation in the renovation of the exterior area of the mother-child

home. This includes purchasing new playing equipment, a sandbox, and carrying out gardening activities. The facilities are complemented by an exterior elevator, to also allow children in wheelchairs barrier-free access to the parent-child café.

Germany, Halfing
2019
Renovation of the outside area of the mother-child home

NEW NURSERY SCHOOL TOGO



New nursery school for the little ones. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, together with the LEONARDO glaskoch company, also financed the construction of a nursery school at the eponymous school in Zongo, Lomé (Togo), for project partner Mon Devoir e.V., which invests efforts to promote the pre-school and school education of children and adolescents in developing countries.

Togo, Lomé
2019
Construction of a nursery school



NEW PLAYING EQUIPMENT PORTUGAL



New playground in the "Capital of Furniture". With this project, the old and rundown playground was completely dismantled and replaced by a new one. The children at the "Obra Social e Cultural Silvia Cardoso" can now romp about to their heart's content in a new and safe environment, with carefully selected

playing equipment, while training and developing their coordinative, locomotor, and mental capacities.

Portugal, Paços de Ferreira
2019
Renovation of a playground



Germany, Wartaweil / Ammersee
2019
**Tepee and bouldering wall in
the Wartaweil School Camp**



TEPEE AND BOULDERING WALL GERMANY



Initiative in the Fünf-Seen-Land region. The Wartaweil School Camp on the beautiful Ammersee offers a place where people with and without disabilities can meet, get education, and spend their free time. It is constructed to be completely accessible to all, offering a wide range of educational opportunities to a broad variety of target groups. School classes use the camp to organise project and adventure weeks and hone their social skills and creativity while learning about inclusion in the areas of natural sciences and the environment, health, sport, and exercise. Companies can hold training seminars and Wartaweil is very popular among families and private individuals as a spot to spend leisure time and holidays.

This facility is particularly dear to the hearts of the SIXT family; various projects have already been realised with the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. In 2019, a bouldering wall was purchased for the children, which was voluntarily constructed by SIXT employees during the so-called "Drying Little Tears Day". Moreover, the tepee was renovated.



PROJECTS
HEALTH

“Just how powerful can
a simple smile be.”



RENOVATION OF AN ORPHANAGE SOUTH AFRICA



South Africa, Mandeni near Durban
2013
**Renovation and expansion
of an orphanage**

OFFERING A SAFE HOME

Medical care & the homeland. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed the renovation and expansion of a children's home for sick, neglected, and orphaned children on the grounds of the Blessed Gérard's Care Center in Mandeni, South Africa. The entire building had to be repainted, and tiling as well as sanitary facilities and doors had to be renovated. Additionally, power sockets as well as new fans were purchased. For the children, who in part grew up in broken, alcohol-stricken, and HIV-infected families, this home offers a safe haven in which they can feel at ease. With the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the children's home now guarantees a clean and safe environment. >>





Mandeni has the largest health and hospice centre in South Africa.

In a follow-up project, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supported the renovation and expansion of a children's home for sick, neglected, and orphaned children on the grounds of the Blessed Gérard's Care Center in South Africa. This care centre, situated 100 km to the north of Durban, is the largest care, health, and hospital centre of South Africa providing specialised care to AIDS victims.

The roots of the Blessed Gérard's Care Center date back to the Bavarian parish priest Gerhard Lagleder, who was very concerned about the development and maintenance of a healthcare system in South Africa, in Mandeni. The centre's core facilities are an orphanage and nursery school, which is always overcrowded with children who are sick, abandoned, abused, underfed, or orphaned. The nursery school cares for around 70 children during the day, with 30 children permanently living in the orphanage. >>





To combat the problem of overcrowding, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation together with the charity foundation of the Order of Malta financed the renovation and expansion of the orphanage. The entire building was renovated, modernised, and expanded – both the interior and the outside areas. The building got a new coat of paint and tiles and sanitary facilities were refurbished. Doors, sockets, and light switches were replaced and air ventilators were installed. The orphanage started operation in 2000 and currently houses around 29 children between the ages of 3 and 17, who struggle with various social problems. Some of them are social orphans, other are AIDS orphans, and others again are HIV positive themselves.

Many children are social orphans.



FINANCING VITAL DEVICES FOR A CHILDREN'S WARD ISRAEL



Israel, Jerusalem
2011 + 2013
**Medical equipment for the
Hadassah Medical Center**



Israelis and Arabs live together as a matter of course. Already for some years, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation has been supporting the Hadassah Medical Center in Jerusalem, together with "Ein Herz für Kinder". The two hospitals Mount Scopus and Ein Kerem ensure that each child receives the best possible medical care. The young patients primarily come from the northern districts of Jerusalem, adjacent cities and towns, as well as the Palestinian Autonomous Territory. Peaceful coexistence between Israelis and Arabs is above all part of the daily routine at Mount Scopus.

With 30 beds, an intensive care unit, and a fully equipped emergency room, Mount Scopus is the largest children's clinic in Jerusalem. At an occupancy rate of 100 percent, which even grows to 150 percent over the winter months, it provides inpatient care to 3,500 children and outpatient care to 9,000 children. Before the conversion, the high occupancy rates forced staff to temporarily "park" young patients in the hallways. There were no places for parents or physicians to retreat to – and we all know that rest is crucial to the healing process.

After 34 years of operation, it was high time to expand the premises and purchase new medical devices. The necessary construction works could finally be carried out thanks to the efforts of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and "Ein Herz für Kinder". During a second project stage, important medical equipment such as monitors, newborn scales, and patient beds were financed.





Israel, Beit Jala near Bethlehem
2011

Expansion of therapy
rooms in a school for
children with special needs



EXPANSION OF THERAPY ROOMS PALESTINIAN AUTONOMOUS TERRITORIES



A gate of life. Together with Lifegate, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed a comprehensive expansion of the therapy rooms of a school for children with special needs in Beit Jala. The predominantly Christian neighbouring city of Bethlehem represents "a gate of life" for many. This is where the Lifegate rehabilitation centre is situated, and its new premises were inaugurated in June of 2012. The facilities include a school for 40 children with special needs and disabilities, as well as a nursery school in which occupational, speech, and musical therapy methods are applied.

Lifegate uses a comprehensive care concept, stimulating disabled children in all parts of life. Lifegate opens up educational perspectives through training and job positions and provides medical rehabilitation (such as operations and medical interventions) as well as therapy and various medical aids. This is trailblazing work, as there are no other similar schools for children with special needs in the region.

All support programmes take the domestic situations of the children into consideration, trusting in cooperation with their parents. The care provided by Lifegate directly affects the community. It builds bridges between people, also treating Palestinian children.



EXPANSION OF A NURSERY SCHOOL SOUTH AFRICA



South Africa, Cape Town
2011
**Renovation of the outdoor facilities
and expansion of the premises**



A slice of paradise. Already some years ago, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, together with "Ein Herz für Kinder", supported the construction of the "Little Lambs" nursery school to the south of Cape Town. A small paradise was built on a plot measuring 450 square metres, where children are not only provided with plenty of food, but are also lovingly cared for by volunteers. Now, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation helped fund an expansion to the premises and the renovation of the outdoor facilities. Numerous children can now play again without a care, on a renovated playground, underneath new awnings for the sandboxes, and on an additional playing rack. Before the renovation, the equipment was brittle and instable and the floor underneath the swings was hard as stone, which made playing on the playground a somewhat dangerous affair.

With the inauguration of a new classroom, the facility can now care for 250 children. In addition, the sanitary facilities were also renovated. A roof was built over the front yard of another classroom. In the summer, the children and teachers alike are delighted by the opportunity to have class and share meals outside, and not in the sweltering classroom. Thanks to the roof, the space can now be used for various purposes, while also offering protection against rain.





SUPPORT FOR A CHILDREN'S THERAPY CENTRE ITALY



Sensory learning. In May of 2012, an earthquake struck Northern Italy, particularly hitting inhabitants of the Modena and Ferrara provinces hard. It was the strongest earthquake in 500 years; several people died and thousands became homeless – among them many children. Together with Mille Miglia s.r.l., the organisers of the most legendary street race in Europe, and the charitable foundation of the Order of Malta, the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supported a children's therapy centre in Modena that was severely affected by the earthquake.

La Lucciola in Stiffione di Ravarino in Modena is an integrative therapy centre for children between the ages of 3 and 18 with physical, mental, or multiple disabilities. Everyday activities such as cooking, caring for animals, and working in their own vegetable garden, offer the children fundamental learning experiences. They form part of the therapeutic approach in which music, art, and theatre also play a key role. The destroyed facilities were built and equipped anew thanks to the joint support of the foundation.

Italy, Modena
2013

Support for a children's therapy centre



RENOVATION AT THE CHILDREN'S HOSPICE NETHERLANDS



Family life. The children's hospice "Het Lindenhofje" in Amsterdam offers chronically and terminally ill children between the ages of 0 and 18 a place to call home. The children can relax and feel at ease here, under the supervision of professional caregivers. Special focus is also placed on emotional support and counselling for the children as well as their parents, siblings, and other family members.

Until recently, the facility was made up of children's rooms, various therapy and medical rooms, as well as a kitchen, sanitary facilities, and a small living room. The hospice, however, didn't have a second living room in which the children could spend time with their families and friends during visits. Thanks to the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears", the children now have a large, renovated living room at their disposal, which serves as a safe space.

Netherlands, Amsterdam
2017

**Renovation and equipment
for a children's hospice**

"We take family values very seriously. Therefore, there is no greater joy to me than experiencing how these little ones are surrounded by their friends and families."

Regine Sixt

GROUP THERAPY ROOM GERMANY



For families, against cancer. Should we tell children about their parents' cancer? And if so, how? Depending on the child's age, children react differently to the horrible news. Pre-schoolers might process the situation with guilt, leading to magical fantasies, with destructive ideas of being the cause of the disease. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the FreiRaum group, which

addresses such issues together with the psycho-oncology department at the Munich University Clinic.

Germany, Munich
2017

Designing a group therapy room

CONSTRUCTION OF A MOTHER HOUSE EL SALVADOR



Optimal care. Together with Mauritia Mack of Europa-Park and the glass and jewellery maker Leonardo, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the construction of a house for parents of patients in the paediatric department of the University Hospital in Santa Ana, El Salvador.

El Salvador, Santa Ana
2014

Construction of a mother and parent house



THERAPY ROOM GERMANY



Finding peace. The sociotherapeutic daycare centre in Leezen, Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania is given a relaxation room, in which children can process overstimulation and relieve stress.

Germany, Leezen
2017

Therapy for inclusion children

"We're delighted to have the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation by our side, as a strong partner. We are united by our passion to support children and their well-being. We can achieve more together!"

Jo Klemens,
Johanniter-Unfall-Hilfe e.V.

RESPIRATORS FOR A MOTHER-CHILD CLINIC CZECH REPUBLIC



Preventive analysis. The permanent cooperation between SIXT Czech Republic and the Institute for the Care of Mother and Child in Prague has been ongoing for several years. The institute is the most specialised clinic in the Czech Republic for pre-natal and neo-natal care. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation regularly funds the purchase of necessary technical equipment such as respirators for pre-natal diagnostics.

Within the framework of pre-natal diagnostics, both normal and risky pregnancies can be examined using Doppler flow measurements, and pregnancy issues such as growth impediments, birth defects, premature births, and multifetal pregnancies can be diagnosed at an early stage. Placentas and amniotic fluids can be examined as well. The respirator can also be used in gynaecological examinations to detect congenital genital development defects in 3D imaging. The respirators can furthermore be used for preventative ultrasound examinations, deep pelvic endometriosis examinations, myoma diagnostics, the diagnosis of cysts and tumours, ectopic pregnancies, and other preventive examinations during pregnancy.

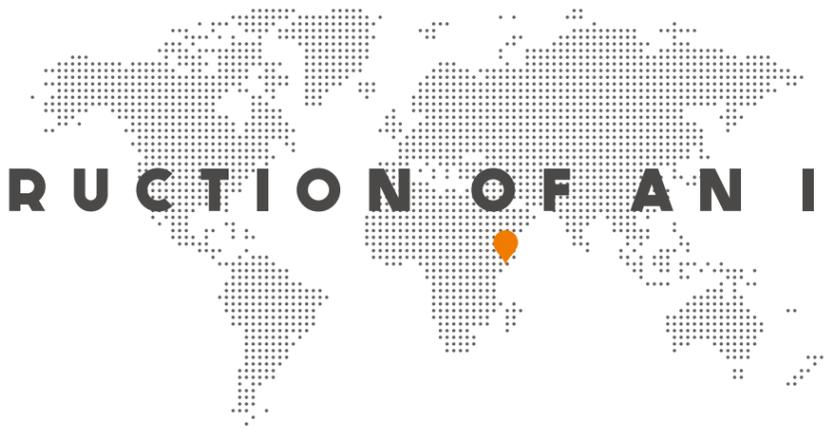
Czech Republic, Prague
2014, 2015 + 2017

Respirators for the mother-child clinic in Prague





CONSTRUCTION OF AN INFIRMARY KENYA



Clinic for nomads. The Turkana desert in the northwestern regions of Kenya, at the Ethiopian border, is home to the poorest of the poor in the country. The nearly one million members of the eponymous Turkana tribe of nomads lack almost everything: There is hardly any water, poor power supply, there are no educational institutions, and the people are affected most by the completely inadequate medical infrastructure. A mobile clinic is used to alleviate the most dire medical emergencies. It drives to 24 stations in the Turkana region each month, to allow large parts of the civilisation at least basic medical care. A monumental task, seeing as how they need to supply medical care to almost one million inhabitants in the region, which spans 11,000 square kilometres.

Thanks to the support of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, with assistance of the Catholic Order of Holy Saint Paul the Apostle, construction could additionally begin on a brick-and-mortar infirmary in the Nariokotome Mission. The new infirmary will have, in addition to a delivery room, a room for ultrasound examinations, a lab, a pharmacy, a special treatment room for HIV patients, as well as a training room for nurses.

Kenya, Turkana, Nariokotome Mission
2014

New construction of an infirmary





Germany, Munich
2015
Renovation of the premises of the AtemReich Children's House and purchasing of new equipment

SUPPORT FOR THE CHILDREN'S HOUSE ATEMREICH GERMANY



Better living, mobile inhalation. Currently, 21 terminally ill children live at AtemReich, who have to be artificially ventilated. For those children, who for medical reasons cannot return home after being treated for acute symptoms, the children's facility offers a home where they can receive medical, educational, and therapeutic care in a loving and supporting environment. The children are taken care of in three groups. The premises of one group could be renovated thanks to the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. To allow the children to better cope with their strenuous everyday lives, four mobile inhalers and two child seats for trips to the countryside, as well as a new nursing bed, were purchased. The facility now also has its own PC with Skype, enabling the children to remain in contact with their parents, who often live far away. In addition, a piano for the music-therapeutic treatment of children was purchased.

Following a holistic and interdisciplinary care approach (medicine, nursing, education, and therapy), the affected children and their families are accompanied and supported to facilitate their eventual transition to home-based care. The team at AtemReich focuses on providing individual care and support of children.





NEW THERAPY BED GERMANY



A fantastic cooperation: The long-standing project partner of "Drying Little Tears", the AtemReich children's house in Munich, which cares for little patients whom Mrs. Regine Sixt knows very well and who have really grown dear to her, needed a therapy bed for the so-called "Trendelenburg Position". Patients are placed in a supine position in their bed or during an operation, with their feet elevated over their head. The costs differ greatly, because the bed is adapted to the illness of the child.

During a gala to mark the 70th anniversary of the German newspaper "Abendzeitung", money was collected for the project during a raffle; the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation decided to match all donations, making it possible to purchase the bed.

Germany, Munich
2018

**Therapy bed for the AtemReich
children's home**






SUPPORT FOR A CHILDREN'S SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTRE MONGOLIA



Stimulating perception. Since October 2013, children and young people with disabilities have been cared for and supported in a daycare centre. Up to now, however, the daycare was located in a cramped cellar space and the therapy practice was in a small apartment located five minutes away. Through, among others, the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the premises of the children's therapy centre were moved to a new rental space.

The new house was renovated, refurbished, and provided with new furniture from June to mid-August 2015. The children's therapy centre now measures 370 m², offering space for a daycare centre with three groups of up to 30 children with disabilities, up from the five that could previously receive care at a time. There is a large hall for the physiotherapy practice and an occupational therapy room. In addition, a separate room was equipped as a quiet room/Snoezelen room with light effects and comfortable spots to sit or lie down. The space helps the children relax and promotes their sensory perception. There is also a consultation room for parents and a large meeting room as well as two rooms dedicated to the sheltered workshop that processes felt.

Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar
2015
Development of a children's therapy centre



A pleasant retreat. Hospital stays are stressful and rob patients of energy. Children in particular are confused and scared when they have to wait for their treatment in a sterile hospital atmosphere. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation therefore supported the construction of a waiting room,

a performance space at the entrance of the new Alder Hey Children's Clinic building complex in Liverpool. The Alder Hey Children's Clinic treats over 330,000 patients each year. The performance space should provide parents with

PERFORMANCE SPACE AND FURNISHING ENGLAND

England, Liverpool
2016
**Construction of a
performance space
for a children's clinic**



a refuge, where they can bridge waiting times together in a pleasant atmosphere – always within earshot of doctors. Located in the heart of the main building, the performance space is now the cultural centre of the hospital.

England, Liverpool
2019
**Equipment for
a music room**

After supporting the construction of a "Performance Space" in 2016 the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed furnishings for a music room in the same clinic in 2019.



DESIGNING A CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL PALESTINIAN AUTONOMOUS TERRITORIES



An oasis of peace. The Caritas Baby Hospital is situated in Bethlehem in the Palestinian Autonomous Territory, and is the only hospital which solely serves children in the whole of the West Bank. The hospital treats all children, regardless of their social and religious background, and is exclusively funded through private donations. The hospital has an outpatient clinic as well as more than 82 beds for inpatient paediatric care. It sees itself as an oasis of peace on the West Bank suffering from tense political, social, and economic conditions, reinforcing the Christian presence in Bethlehem.

Almost half of the population in the West Bank (2,68 million) is under the age of 18. Over the last 15 years, the total population grew by around 30 percent. Patients of the Caritas Baby Hospital primarily come from the densely populated Bethlehem region and the Southern West Bank, with around five percent coming from the villages surrounding Jerusalem. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financially supports the children's clinic, which urgently needs a renovation. The facade requires a fresh coat of paint to be particularly inviting to children.

Palestinian Autonomous Territories
2017
Child-friendly design of a children's hospital

DR. VON HAUNERSCHKE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL GERMANY



Stroke research. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the establishment of a stroke centre at the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital, together with the German Stroke Foundation. In Germany, 300 to 500 children and adolescents suffer a stroke each year – one-third of them in the womb or during birth. For parents, this diagnosis is a shock, because the subject of strokes in childhood still remains

largely unfamiliar. Affected families are desperate and doctors often remain clueless.

Germany, Munich
2015
Development of a stroke centre



MONITORS FOR A HEART CENTRE GERMANY



Germany, Munich
2015
Purchasing monitors

A welcome distraction. Hospital stays are stressful. Children in particular are confused and scared when they have to wait for their treatment in a sterile hospital atmosphere. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the Deutsches Herzzentrum (Cardiac Treatment Centre) with the purchase of six monitors with DVD players for the treatment rooms, which help entertain the kids during long treatment periods.

GIVING A VOICE TO THE VOICELESS ISRAEL



Building greater trust. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed the purchase of new communication aids for children with special forms of speech impediments in Israel. A group of Israeli children and adolescents with health issues between the ages of 7 and 18 can spend their time of leisure together here. 'Krembo Wings' is the name of this initiative, founded in 2002, which by

now supports almost 5,000 young people from all over Israel. **Regine Sixt:** "Mutual understanding is vital. It creates new opportunities and deepens shared trust."

Israel, Ramat Hasharon
2016
Purchase of electronic means of communication





SUPPORT FOR A CHILDREN'S CENTRE
ISRAEL



Playful confidence. For over 30 years, the Israeli Association for Blind and Visually Impaired Children ELIYA has been actively supporting children who struggle with additional development difficulties as well. ELIYA offers full-day specialist programmes for blind and visually impaired children of pre-school age, and is considered a globally leading centre of this kind. ELIYA cares for hundreds of children all over Israel, primarily through three branches: in the Petach Tikva branch, which covers the entire central region of Israel; in Be'er Sheva, which covers the south of the country, but doesn't have its own premises and is housed in rental apartments; and through the Jerusalem branch, which covers the Israeli capital and surrounding group.. >>

Israel, Jerusalem, ELIYA project
2016
Support for a children's care centre





After the rental lease of the group was terminated in Jerusalem, the group was forced to move. At the same time, it was looking to expand and add further specialist expertise to the care centre.

The new ELIYA Jerusalem branch was renovated, and the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation also joined forces with the Jerusalem Foundation to equip the new wing for blind children. ELIYA Jerusalem cares for 26 children up to the age of 3. After the relocation, the centre will expand its care offer to 45 children up to the age of 5. The wing is fitted with a classroom with special equipment, a quiet room/Snoezelen room, as well as a bathroom area and storage room.

ELIYA pursues a therapeutic approach which is primarily geared towards the specific individual needs of each child, at the same time, the children's capacity to be integrated into society should be improved, supported, and promoted through joint activities. Moreover, the association wants to win over the families of visually impaired and blind children with care and advice as well; after all, the parents can most effectively support and help the children, being their closest everyday companions.



DESIGNING A CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL SOUTH AFRICA



South Africa, Cape Town, Mandeni
2013
Renovation of an orphanage



New lustre. "The children immediately feel right at home in the newly renovated wing, and the entire atmosphere in the building has become much more cheerful and clean," says the delighted Benedictine priest Gérard Lagleder. The Blessed Gérard Orphanage in Mandeni, situated to the south of Cape Town, has now been completely renovated. Thanks to the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and its partner Business Traveller, Germany's largest business travel magazine, 29 children now have a safe and beautiful home. Many of them are orphans or infected with AIDS.

The comprehensive renovation of the wings of the orphanage included new built-in wardrobes, sanitary facilities, and electrical installations. Walls, windows, and doors were repaired and replaced, a new floor with ceramic tiling was laid, and all walls and ceilings were given a fresh coat of paint.



Father Gérard, Founder of the Mandeni Children's Centre, with a young patient.

PROVIDING EQUIPMENT FOR A CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL USA



Children first! With the procurement of heated children's beds for the recovery room and special child stretchers, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supports the work of the Shriners Hospital for Children in Tampa, Florida. In the hospitals of the Shriners Organisation, children from the US, North and South American, and Africa are treated for severe burns or orthopaedic problems. Since 1922, they have provided operations and care to over 1.3 million children.

USA, Florida, Tampa
2017
Purchase of heated children's beds



NEW RAILS FOR A CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL GERMANY



Kids become professional engine drivers for one day. The Children's Hospital München Schwabing is constructing a new clinic on its own premises. As a result, Ward 24d had to be temporarily relocated, which even gave the children more space to play until

completion of the new building. The wishes of the little patients required a lot of space, wanting further Brio wooden rails to play with. They were fulfilled thanks to the "Drying Little Tears" the initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation.

Germany, Munich
2017
Purchasing toy train tracks

CONSTRUCTION OF A MULTI-FUNCTIONAL SPACE

GERMANY



Outpatient care. The association 'freunde' (friends) supports families with severely disabled children and children suffering from neurological diseases, such as epilepsy and spasms, or from developmental disabilities after an accident, brain surgery, or complications during birth. In the neuropaediatric department of the Klinikum Kassel, the children and their families receive support

during in- and outpatient care. A new multi-functional space to host activities for children between the ages of 0 and 18 was expanded.

Germany, Kassel
2017

Expansion of a multi-functional space



NEW CONSTRUCTION OF A MATERNITY CLINIC

PHILIPPINES



A safe start to life. The 'Drying Little Tears' initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation carried out the construction of a gynaecological maternity clinic on the island of Mindanao in the Philippines. Women often give birth to their children alone in developing countries. Many thousands of women die each year as a result of complications during pregnancy or birth. A new pavilion was also constructed. The gynaecological services are now housed there.

Philippines, Mindanao
2010

Construction of a Gynaecology Pavilion

India, New Delhi, Rolling Clinics
2010
Support for the Rolling Clinics project in New Delhi



PURCHASE FOR ROLLING CLINICS

INDIA



At the heart of it all. The 'Rolling Clinics' of the charitable organisation German Doctors e.V. (former 'Ärzte für die Dritte Welt'), have already carried out more than 6,000 free missions in so-called developing countries over the course of their existence. Around 2,800 physicians, among whom doctor and actress Dr. Maria Furtwängler from Munich, have travelled to these countries to treat patients, vaccinate children, and operate health clinics.

The Rolling Clinics run projects on the Philippines, in Bangladesh, Kenya, Nicaragua, and India. They are accompanied by two to eight physicians on-site. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supported the activities of the 'Rolling Clinics' in New Delhi. Vehicles were provided and converted into mobile medical practices. These help the doctors treat their patients in the region.



Dr. Maria Furtwängler, doctor and actress, at the German Doctors mission in New Delhi



Nigeria, Umuzike
2016
Equipment for the maternity
ward and children's ward

EQUIPMENT FOR A MATERNITY WARD

NIGERIA



Professional care. Together with the charity organisation Malteser Hilfsdienst e.V., the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation helped refurbish the maternity ward and children's ward at the Umuzike International Hospital run by the Order of Malta. In addition to providing medical equipment, the flooring was renovated, missing doors and additional lighting installed, and leaky windows replaced.

The Malteser Hospital was opened in 2009, with the support of Malteser from the Diocese of Osnabrück. Back then, the hospital was operational, but even the most basic furnishings such as children's beds and incubators were lacking. Above all, the maternity ward as well as the children's ward for patients up to the age of 10 were in dire need of curtains, ventilators, and suitable light sources.



PURCHASING A MINI GERMANY

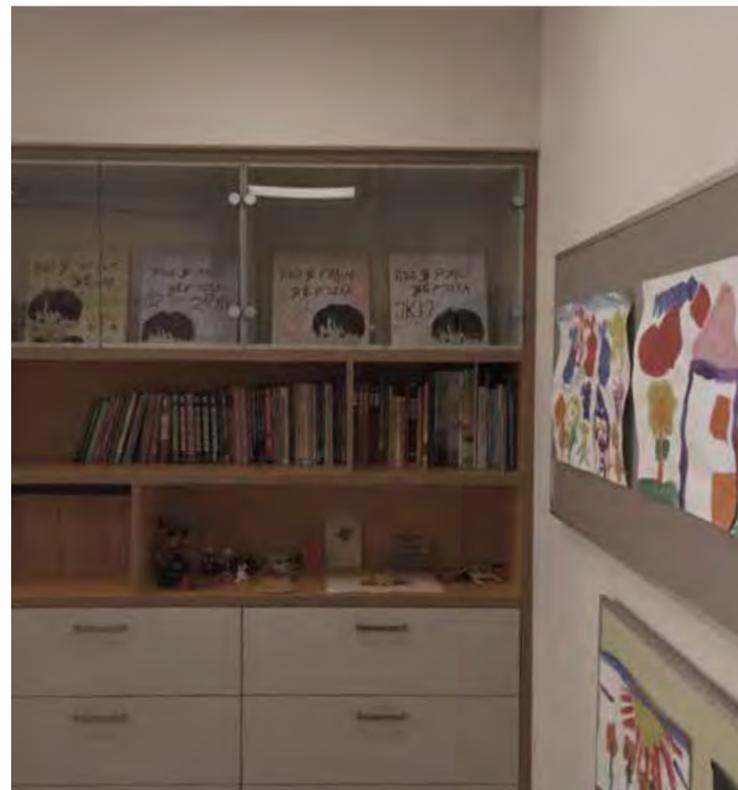


Local help. The Palliative Team of Southern Hesse received a MINI from the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation in 2013, to expand the region in which they can provide comprehensive care to terminally ill children in the Southern Hesse region. The employees of the Palliative Team are now better equipped to visit the children at

home and guarantee that they can stay in their familiar and peaceful environments.

Germany, Frankfurt am Main
2013
**A Mini for
outpatient care**

CONSTRUCTION OF AN EDUCATION AND MEETING SPACE ISRAEL



Education at the hospital.

The Schneider Children's Medical Center in Tel Aviv is one of the leading children's hospitals in Israel due to its extensive range in the field of paediatric medicine. During treatment, many children do not only miss their school classes, but are also torn from their social and emotional environment. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation opened an education and activity room in the surgical department, to allow the children to continue attending school and be cared for by specially trained clowns as well as music and art therapists.

Israel, Tel Aviv
2015
**Construction of an
"Education and
Activity Room"**

Germany, Haltern am See
2014
**Purchase of a manual suction pump
as well as five mobile care beds for
the Deutscher Kinderhospizverein**



PURCHASE OF A MOBILE CARE BEDS GERMANY



Trips with overnight stays. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supported the Deutscher Kinderhospizverein e.V. with the purchase of five mobile care beds as well as a manual suction pump. The equipment is used for gatherings and seminars offered to children and young people in hospice with a life-shortening illness. Most of the participants are severely handicapped and dependent on wheelchairs, braces, and other aids. Since many of the events take place in ordinary conference facilities, which are only fitted with normal beds, the children require care beds as well as a manual suction pump to be provided by the Deutscher Kinderhospizverein in order to guarantee a suitable stay.



STAIRLIFT ISRAEL



A huge help in everyday life:

The Krembo Wings institution above all strives to ensure that children with all sorts of disabilities can participate in all fields of daily life. Unfortunately, a lot of institutions in Israel are not barrier-free, making them inaccessible to children in wheelchairs. The donation of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation allowed for the purchase of a portal stair lift and the proper training of the staff in its use, to make sure that stairs no longer stand in the way of children participating in special activities.



Israel, Ramat Hasharon
2018

Purchase and construction of a stair lift

EARLY LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT GERMANY



Germany, Munich
2018

Diagnostics devices for children with limited speech capacities

Communication is one of the basic needs of humans.

Children who are unable to express themselves through speech as a result of hereditary diseases or developmental disorders, are supported through alternative means of communication – e.g. with eye or manual controls. Buying these electronic communication aids is very expensive, which is why the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation helped finance the acquisition of this equipment for the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital in Munich. The logopaedics department can now equip its own consulting office with speech output devices for these children. Having this equipment is crucial to early-stage language development.



A PLACE OF REMEMBRANCE NORTHERN IRELAND

A new place of remembrance. The "Northern Ireland Children's Hospice" offers specialised care for children with life-threatening and debilitating diseases. Every year, around 230 children and over 70 bereaved families receive care here. The "Quiet Garden" has been an important component of "Horizon House" for the last 17 years. Bereaved siblings, parents, and friends could remember the deceased child.

David McCulla, a SIXT franchise holder from Northern Ireland, wanted to breathe new life into the somewhat run-down garden, and launched a fundraising initiative to collect funds to renovate and restore the garden. To ensure that this project could be realised, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" provided the remaining amount. The new "Memory Garden" was constructed in the place where the "Quiet Garden" once stood.

Northern Ireland, Belfast
2019

Renovation and redesign of the Memorial Garden in the Children's Hospice

NEW BIRTHING ROOM UKRAINE



Ukraine, Baryshivka
2018
New equipment for the delivery room in the Baryshivka Hospital



Greater comfort for mothers and their children: Together with our partner association Pullach im Isartal e.V., the delivery room of the Ukrainian hospital was fitted with more modern equipment, to make sure that mothers can deliver their children in greater comfort and that infants are given greater medical security.

The hospital is more than 40 years old and the standard has aged accordingly. Those who can afford to, drive to nearby Kiev for treatment. Nevertheless, most women in the region give birth in Baryshivka. Approx. 300 children are born here each year.

The local doctors, who have received an education similar to that in Germany in terms of quality, are overjoyed with the option to offer this type of treatment as well, thanks to the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation: a state-of-the-art gynaecological chair, a new fetal monitoring device, a heated bed, and an Infusiomat for emergencies have been installed in the delivery room. Just a short time later, the first little girl was born here, weighing only 2,100 g, and could try out the new heated bed right away.

Eritrea, Asmara
2019
Trip of the paediatric urological team Austria



TRAVELLING DOCTORS ERITREA



Birthday donations instead of gifts. Konstantin and his wife Noni Sixt asked their family and friends not to buy them birthday gifts, but instead to make a donation to the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears". They knew from the start which project would receive the funds they collected.

For many years, volunteers from the 'Paediatric Urology Team Austria for Eritrea' have been flying to the capital of Asmara twice a year, to treat children suffering from urological problems for free at the International Operation Center For Children in Asmara. Eritrea faces a significant problem in that doctors earn little money and struggle to make ends meet. Many young doctors leave the country, and there are not enough medical specialists available. There aren't any paediatric surgeons, urologists, and orthopaedists.

This makes the work of the 'Paediatric Urology Team Austria for Eritrea' even more important. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" gladly used the birthday donations to finance the accommodations for the ten-person team of specialists under the leadership of Dr. Marcus Riccabona. Over the course of the five-day trip, a total of 205 children received outpatient treatment and 43 received surgical treatment. 28 children had stones removed.

"It's important for us to be aware of our responsibility towards the disadvantaged and vulnerable, and to take action. My wife and I wanted to set an example with our appeal for donations from family and friends. I am delighted that we could offer such significant support to the initiative led by Dr. Riccabona and thereby help children in Eritrea."

Konstantin Sixt,
Board Member

FIGHTING CANCER TOGETHER AFRICA



Helping children fight cancer, together with the GFAOP. The GFAOP (Groupe Franco-Africain d'Oncologie Pédiatrique) has dedicated itself to "winning the battle against cancer in children in Africa". It comprises 18 nations and operates in the Maghreb and Francophone African countries.

In these countries, an estimated 15,000 children are diagnosed with cancer every year. The chances of survival for children in affluent regions around the world can be up to 95%. In African nations, this can drop as low as 10% in some places. This is often due to late diagnoses and unawareness on the part of the parents. The goal of the GFAOP: to help half of all children diagnosed with cancer get treatment by 2025.

In 2019, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" made it its primary task to provide generous support for the GFAOP.

In addition to professional medical treatment, the young patients need one thing more than anything else: their family. However, they often cannot find accommodations near the hospital to be able to stay with their

children during treatment. So-called "Family Houses" and "Family Rooms" will help solve this problem in the future.

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" creates the necessary spaces by constructing new buildings or converting or renovating existing structures. Where necessary, houses are given additional stories, terraces are converted, gardens are planted, and playgrounds are created to improve the living conditions of children with cancer, thereby increasing their chances of survival and healing.

Regine Sixt: "This large-scale project is particularly important to me, as we can achieve a significant improvement for sick children and their families with seemingly simple measures."





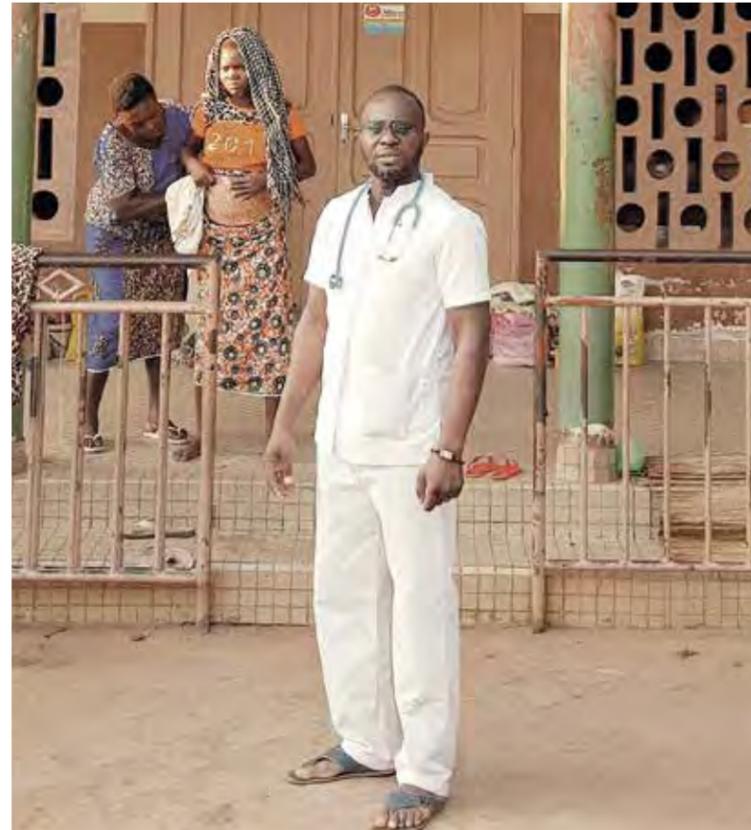
BENI MESSOUS ALGERIA

Prof. Dr. Nacira Chérif
Head of Pediatric Oncology,
CHU Béni-Messous

At CHU (Centre Hospitalier Universitaire) Béni-Messous, the paediatric oncology ward, led by Prof. D. Nacira Chérif, is being renovated to create a more pleasant atmosphere for the children during their stay at the hospital.



PORTO NOVO BENIN



Dr. Gilles Bognon
Chief Physician
Pediatric Oncology,
CHU Départemental
de l'Ouémé-Plateau

A multipurpose room is being created at the ward of Dr Gilles Bognon, offering space for sick children to spend time with their families.



OUAGADOUGOU BURKINA FASO

Dr. Chantal Bouda
Head of Pediatric Oncology,
Hopital Yalgado

At Hôpital Yalgado, a day clinic is being built to treat children on an outpatient basis and thereby ease the load of the existing children's cancer ward. In addition, the ward will receive an outdoor area with a playground.



POINTE NOIRE CONGO

Dr. Alda-Stevy Nsimba-Makouanzi
Head of Pediatric Oncology,
Hôpital Général
Adolphe SICE

New medical equipment is being purchased for the paediatric oncology ward, run by Dr Alda-Stevy Nsimba-Makouanzi, to be able to offer high-quality chemotherapy for children.





ABIDJAN IVORY COAST

Dr. Line Couitchere
Head of the Children's Ward,
Hôpital de Treichville

To enable parents to stay nearby during their children's treatment, a new house is in planning for parents and siblings at Hôpital de Treichville in Abidjan. Here, they will be able to wash, cook, and eat. In addition, there will be space to relax, play, and talk to other affected families.



YAOUNDE CAMEROON

Dr. Angèle Pondy
Head of Pediatric Oncology,
Centre Mère et Enfant

An extension will be added to the small Pediatric Cancer Ward directed by Dr Angèle Pondy, to offer more space for children receiving treatment in the future.



LIBREVILLE GABON



Dr. Ghislaine Obono
Chief Physician Pediatric
Oncology, Institut de
Cancérologie de Libreville

Pediatric Oncology is moving to new premises and receiving new equipment to enable a higher quality of treatment for the children.



CONAKRY GUINEA

Prof. Dr. Mamadou Pathé Diallo
Dr Moustapha Diop
Joint Management of Children's Oncology, CHU Donka

The Children's Oncology Ward at CHU Donka is also receiving new equipment to be able to offer better treatment options for their little patients.





NIAMEY NIGER

Dr. Aichatou Mahamadou
Head of the Centre National de Lutte contre le Cancer



A new Family House, financed with the help of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, is combating overcrowding at the Centre National de Lutte contre le Cancer.

NOUAKCHOTT MAURITANIA

Dr. Bénina Zein
Pediatric Oncology,
Centre Hospitalier National

In Nouakchott, more space is needed for the parents of sick children. Accordingly, new rooms with the necessary equipment are being created here. These future spaces will include a relaxation room for parents, a kitchen to prepare meals, and a room to do laundry, as well as sanitary facilities.



BAMAKO MALI

Prof. Dr. Boubacar Togo
Head of Pediatric Oncology,
CHU Gabriel Touré

The Pediatric Oncology Ward at CHU Gabriel Touré is finally being renovated. Additionally, the hospital will receive new toys for the relaxation room.



ANTANANARIVO MADAGASCAR

Prof. Dr. Mbola Rakatomahefa
Pediatric Oncology,
Hôpital Universitaire Joseph Ravoahangy

To expand the capacities of the hospital, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation is supporting the renovation and redesign of the premises to allow for conversion into a day clinic and a palliative room.





CASABLANCA MOROCCO

Prof. Dr. Abdellah Madani

Pediatric Oncology,
Hôpital 20 Août 1953

In Casablanca, renovation of the day clinic is desperately needed to brighten the atmosphere for the little patients.



RABAT MOROCCO



Prof. Dr. Mohammed Khattab

Head of Haematology and
Pediatric Oncology,
CHU Hopital d' Enfants

The Life House of the Pediatric Oncology Ward at CHU Hôpital d'Enfants provides accommodation for the families of children receiving treatment. The contribution of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation helped fund the renovation and refurbishing.

MARRAKESH MOROCCO



Prof. Dr. Jamila Elhoudzi

Department of Hematology
and Pediatric Oncology,
CHU MOHAMED VI

In Marrakesh, urgently needed rooms to accommodate the families are being created. These will allow sick children to have the company of their parents during their stressful treatment period.



FES MOROCCO

Dr Sarra Benmiloud

Head of Pediatric Oncology,
CHU Hassan II.

The Pediatric Oncology Ward at CHU Hassan II in Fez receives support from the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation to create an appropriate setting to treat the young patients.





KINSHASA DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Dr. Aleine Budiongo
Pediatric Oncology,
Cliniques Universitaires
de Kinshasa

In Kinshasa, new rooms now offer more space for parents and children and create a more pleasant atmosphere. These include a separate waiting room, a room to relax and play, as well as toilets. In addition, new equipment for the ward will improve the quality of treatment.



LUBUMBASHI DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Dr. Robert Lukamba
Head of Pediatric Oncology,
Cliniques Univerasitaires de Lubumbashi

A new common room is being created for children and parents. At the same time, the ward is receiving new medical equipment to offer better treatment for the children.



DAKAR SENEGAL



Dr. Fatou Binetou Diagne
Head of Pediatric Oncology,
Hôpital Aristide Le Dantec

To combat severe overcrowding, a new common room is being constructed on the terrace of the existing ward. In addition, a little dining room is being established for the affected families as well as a kitchen to prepare meals.



TUNIS TUNISIA

Prof. Dr. Faten Fedhila
Head of Pediatric
Oncology, Hôpital d'Enfants
Bécher Hamza



Like many other paediatric oncology wards in Africa, this one also suffers from overcrowding with family members of the children suffering from cancer. To ensure successful treatment, the families must be able to stay close to their children. The solution: The construction of family accommodations.

LOMÉ TOGO

Prof. Dr Adama Gdaboe and Dr. Jules Guedenon
CHU Sylvanus Olympio



The Pediatric Oncology Ward at CHU Sylvanus Olympio is the only one in Togo that treats children with cancer. This means that parents often need to pay a lot of money to complete the long journey for their children to receive treatment, which is why they often don't return to continue their therapy. To prevent this in the future, the day clinic will be expanded. These new rooms will provide space for families to stay.

BANGUI CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

Dr. Jess Elio Kosh Comba
Pediatric Oncology,
Complexe Pédiatrique de Bangui

Pediatric Oncology at the Complexe Pédiatrique de Bangui is receiving its own area to create more space for the children. Furthermore, the ward will receive new equipment.



“We cannot allow children who are already suffering a hard fate due to their social background to be disadvantaged in terms of health, education, and welfare.”

Regine Sixt



Morocco, Rabat
2019

Renovation and refurbishment of the "Life House"

Getting healthy again, together with the family.

The Service d'Hématologie et Oncologie Pédiatrique (SHOP) is part of the Hôpital d'Enfants in Rabat, and one of the oldest paediatric cancer institutions in the country. On average, 1,000 children come here with their families each month to receive treatment from the experts. Families travelling to Rabat from other regions for their child's treatment face a big problem, since they often don't know where to stay while their little ones are receiving treatment. According to the attending physicians, this is the main reason essential outpatient treatments are terminated too soon. The consequences of this are devastating.

To counteract this, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation has funded the renovation and refurbishment of the "Life House", an accommodation for families with children suffering from cancer, as well as the construction of a playground on the grounds of the "Hôpital d'Enfants" in Rabat. The "Life House" can accommodate up to 30 families at the same time. Both the accommodation's young residents and the sick children and their siblings benefit from the new playground.

The project was launched together with the Groupe Franco-Africain d'Oncologie Pédiatrique (GFAOP), to benefit the Association Avenir.





PROJECTS

EMERGENCY AID

*“We shouldn’t pity people.
It’s better to help them.”*



EMERGENCY AID AFTER A CATASTROPHIC TYPHOON PHILIPPINES



Philippines, Typhoon Haiyan
2013
40 large tents and 300 ponchos for
those affected in the disaster area

IT AFFECTED 14
MILLION PEOPLE.

Fast aid is the best aid. Typhoon Haiyan, which hit the Philippines on 8 November 2013, was one of the most violent storms in history. Estimates put the number of casualties at over 6,000. A total of 14 million people struggled with the aftermath and were in urgent need of aid. More than a million houses were destroyed, either in part or entirely, and over four million people were forced to leave their homes. >>





Four million people were forced to leave their homes.

The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation worked together with the emergency service of the Order of Malta to directly and unbureaucratically provide 40 large tents and 300 ponchos, which helped alleviate the most direct emergencies and help people get back to their "normal" lives as quickly as possible, with a roof over their heads. The storm also destroyed many public buildings, which is why the large tents of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation were used as an important replacement for the destroyed (nursery) schools.

The Philippines ranks among the countries most stricken by natural disasters. Typhoons and their after-effects such as landslides, storm surges, and floods are some of the most destructive and most frequent natural catastrophes in the country. During the emergency phase, the

Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation could also count on the support of its cooperation partners Air France, Malteser International, and the Order of Malta on the Philippines. In the end, the following principle is key during emergencies: Direct and quick aid is the best way to provide emergency care. The large tents could also be used as temporary common spaces in the weeks and months after the typhoon.



FLOOD AID FOR AN ORPHANAGE

GERMANY



Germany, Markkleeberg near Leipzig
2013
**Renovation and construction works
for an orphanage**



Renovation for a better future The disastrous flood was over, but the effects lasted for much longer. Thousands of people were affected by the flooding in the village of Markkleeberg (Leipzig district), with numerous public institutions for children such as nursery schools, schools, and recreational facilities being unusable in the aftermath and in need of renovation. Together with arche noVa e.V., the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation financed the renovation of the Völkerfreundschaft orphanage at the edge of the village of Markkleeberg in the Leipzig district. The curative and socio-pedagogical facility in Saxony offers 16 children and adolescents from various family backgrounds a home. Thanks to the diverse range of therapy opportunities, the children are given intensive support in helping them design their lives in an independent manner.

The centre was left extremely damaged as a result of the strong rains and very high groundwater levels. The outdoor facilities, including the sports grounds, were badly damaged as well, and needed to be renovated. The protective constructive measures financed by the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation should help prevent that a future flood can cause such great damages again.





Mexico, Oaxaca

2017

**Renovation and reconstruction
of nursery schools as well as
daycare facilities**



EMERGENCY AID AFTER EARTHQUAKES MEXICO



300,000 people left homeless. On 7 September 2017, an earthquake (8.2 on the Beaufort scale) hit ten Mexican states. The regions of Oaxaca and Chiapas, two of the country's poorest states, were most seriously affected, with over 30,000 people facing great losses, some of whom lost everything they had. An aftershock measuring 7.1 on the Beaufort scale occurred on 14 September, damaging around 10,000 schools in the affected areas. Of these, 1,857 had to be reconstructed in part or in full.

Together with the aid organisation Save the Children, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation assisted in allowing 32,000 children and adolescents as well as 68,000 mothers, parents, and teachers to reconstruct infrastructure and shelters. The aid programme is designed for a period of twelve months and will benefit 100,000 people, primarily children. Support focuses on the pillars of child protection, restoration of schools and educational possibilities, as well as the renovation of the hygienic infrastructure and the restoration and renovation of buildings. Moreover, the programme foresees the purchasing of toys for the younger children and school bags for the older children.



Serbia, Loznica
 2014
**Renovation of a nursery school
 after a severe flooding**

RENOVATION AFTER A FLOOD DISASTER

SERBIA



Embodying family life. The "Bambi-Lane" nursery school is situated in a picturesque environment. At the edge of the small city of Loznica, in the far west of Serbia, on the banks of the Stira. A paradise for children. However, disaster struck this beautiful region in the spring of 2014: Extreme flooding in the Balkan region on 18 May and the following days made the river overflow, leaving a trail of destruction in its wake. All the children could be brought to safety, but their nursery school was completely flooded.

The state-run Serbian organisation "Bambi" is the sole financier of nursery schools and pre-schools in the Loznica region. It has been operating for 50 years and provides care to over 1,000 children. The "Lane" nursery school was one of the most severely affected facilities. All basements and common spaces were completely flooded. With the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, renovation works on Bambi-Lane were underway quickly. Thanks to the "Drying Little Tears" initiative, the premises were cleaned up and the nursery school brought back to its original condition. As a result, the children can be offered comprehensive care once again, with the centre hosting numerous social activities. True to the motto of the Bambi nursery schools: "A place in which family life is fully lived out!"



EMERGENCY AID AFTER EARTHQUAKES NEPAL



Starting school. Immediately after the earthquake, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation worked with the Malteser to send blankets and tents to the region stricken by the catastrophe in Nepal, near Kathmandu. The impact of this once-in-a-century quake was particularly felt in the town of Bungamati, where the foundation helped organise long-term care for those affected. In cooperation with Nepal's honorary

consul general, Ann-Katrin Bauknecht, and the Nepalese relief organisation MAITI-Nepal, the Family House project is underway in Bungamati. They will provide a home and education for orphans in the area.

Nepal, Kathmandu Bungamati 2015
Immediate aid with tents and blankets



EMERGENCY FOOD FOR EAST AFRICA TANZANIA



satisfying hunger. In light of the suffering of the people in Eastern Africa, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" initiative, together with SIXT employees, sent a shipment of emergency food and medicine to the drought region in northern Tanzania. 600 kg of emergency food was shipped from the medeor warehouse in Tönisvorst to Tanzania. In the medeor warehouse in Tanzania the shipment was supplemented with medication, infusions, and antibiotics.

Northern Tanzania 2011
Aid to combat a famine catastrophe

SUPPORT AFTER AN EARTHQUAKE JAPAN



Mobile sleeping. In 2011, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation supported many school children in Japan who were affected by the earthquake, with "Drying Little Tears", together with the international logistics company Nippon Express Germany. Several hundred sleeping bags were sent to the Tohoku region of northern Japan. The sleeping bags were intended for the students of the Shishiori primary school in the town of Kesenuma.

Japan, Kesenuma 2011
Sleeping bags for the earthquake-stricken

MATERIAL DONATIONS DOMINICA



First aid. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation instantly organised a shipment of emergency aid materials to be sent to the crisis region affected by hurricane Maria. In addition to 100 tent tarpaulins, 100 first aid kits, and 100 water canisters, 200 sleeping bags, 200 fleece blankets, 200 solar lamps,

200 flashlights, and 200 aluminium insulating mats were sent.

Caribbean, Dominica 2017
First aid after an earthquake, with tarpaulins & blankets



HELP AFTER THE HURRICANE BAHAMAS



Basic care. Hurricane Dorian left behind a trail of destruction on the Bahamas in September 2019: over 50 people died, 2,500 went missing, and over 70% of the land was destroyed.

SIXT employee Sebastian Birkel and his colleagues from the US assisted with food, baby and pet supplies, as well as hygiene articles.

Caribbean, Bahamas 2019
Relief goods for hurricane victims

SLEEPING BAGS FOR EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS TURKEY



Unbureaucratic. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and Turkish Airlines helped earthquake victims in the Erzurum region in Eastern Turkey. A highly successful call for donations from SIXT employees in Germany and Turkey

resulted in the purchase of 1,700 sleeping bags for children in need.
 Eastern Turkey, Erzurum 2011
Emergency supplies after earthquake



INITIATIVES

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAYS

“Those who dare **think** for themselves,
will also **act** for themselves.”



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN VILNIUS LITHUANIA



Young corporate talent. On 23 October 2019, the children of the nursery schools run by the Order of Malta in Vilnius were invited to SIXT, where they not only learned about the activities of the company, but also played an interactive learning game: During their visit, the children were given the assignment of getting to know each employee at the company and finding out what their duties and tasks are. The SIXT employees were pleasantly surprised by the courage of the children, the interest they showed, and the eagerness they had to communicate. A colleague even demonstrated to the children how to program a calculator.

The Lexus RC200t and Hyundai i30N sports cars, presented by our partners Mototoja and Fatkto Auto, were met with great enthusiasm.

Lithuania, Vilnius
2019
Children visit SIXT

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN LEUVEN BELGIUM



Experience nature up close. Ten employees of SIXT Benelux spent the day together in the "Malpertuus Child Care" in Leuven, to the east of Brussels. The facility comprises five buildings for children of various age groups, who were forced to leave their homes and families. Here, 16 children are given a safe home, the opportunity to attend school, and live a "normal" life as best as possible.

The garden of the children's home has been a major work in progress for a longer period. The SIXT employees spent the day working on the garden: cutting branches, tending to trees, and propping the willow trees. A charming tepee was built on the tree remains, to play and hide in. Thanks to the use of natural materials, the willow vines will start to root in the coming year, transforming the tepee into a natural, permanent tent.

This marked the first step in the transformation of the – still rather empty – garden, into becoming a "nature discovery garden" – equipped with everything children up to the age of ten need to have fun, explore nature, and gather experiences.

Belgium, Leuven
2019
**Nature discovery garden
for an orphanage**



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN MONTERREY MEXICO



A day at the museum. SIXT Mexico did it again: The employees gave disadvantaged children in Monterrey an unforgettable experience, full of adventure. The team spent an entire day with the children, who suffer from the life-threatening disease called cystic fibrosis. To start the day right, they first took the little ones to "Planetario Alfa", where they marvelled at a cosmic show. The youngsters then watched a film in the IMAX movie theatre before they enjoyed lunch and headed to a museum, where they had ample time to explore all five floors.

To organise this unforgettable day, SIXT Mexico joined forces with Dr. Sonrisas, an association which helps sick children as well as children with disabilities in Mexico and other Latin American countries. Dr. Sonrisas primarily invests efforts into improving the quality of life of children suffering from cancer, cystic fibrosis, Down's syndrome, autism, and epidermolysis bullosa.

The images clearly show: The day was characterised by joy and fun for the little ones, which they will remember fondly for a long time to come.

Mexico, Monterrey
2019

A visit to the Papalote Children's Museum

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN WARTAWEIL GERMANY



Germany, Wartaweil/Ammersee
2019
Garden improvement at the
school camp



New shine for the natural discovery park. In September, over 20 employees of the Franchise Operations, Pricing, and Quality teams visited the school camp, to renovate the natural discovery garden. They already worked out ideas and collected plants and tools beforehand.

The first group was responsible for weeding the beds of flowers and herbs. They mastered their task with the help of hoes, spades, rakes, and brooms. The members of the team came up with some ideas of their own for the beds, and marked the most important plants with new name plates made from slate slabs.

A second group took it upon themselves to restore the so-called Barefoot Path for children with and without disabilities to its original condition. The team replaced missing natural stones and rotten wood, removed weeds from the spaces between the various materials, and additionally built two new wooden baskets, which they filled with earth, mulch, and pieces of wood.

A third team opted to go to work at the acoustic station of the park. The willow understorey was cleared of weeds, roots, old leaves, and old willow twigs, and the old willow branches were replaced. The entire area was cleared of weeds and roots, and some of the willow branches were replaced or renewed. To better hear the sound of the wind through the trees, they hung a natural mobile from the branches. Hoping to impart some interesting insights on the children, drawings of hardwoods and conifers, as well as tree fruits, were hung up in the shelter, with the correct names of the plants listed on the back. They all worked until late at night full of enthusiasm, great ideas, diligence and skill. The result: overwhelming!

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN ST. GALLEN SWITZERLAND



Crafty talents. Tempelacker is a special facility, with a model building on the pillars of nursery school, living unit, and therapy, and is seen as a competence centre in the supervision, care, and therapy of children. SIXT not only supports this facility with financial means, but also actively helps out: The employees of the SIXT headquarters in Basel spent one "Drying Little Tears Day" there in September.

They planned to grind down the fence around the playground area and give it a new coat of paint, as well as replace the acrylic glass covers of two racks for buggies and bicycles. However, they couldn't get to work

on the fence due to showers a few days earlier. Instead, they decided to grind down and varnish worn-out children's benches. The SIXT employees highly enjoyed working with their hands for a change, offering the team a welcome distraction from day-to-day business; the children and employees of the Tempelacker daycare were delighted by the helping hands.

Switzerland, St. Gallen
2019
Renovating the
playground of the
Tempelacker daycare



Germany, Munich
2019
Support for the
Zauberwald Child
Protection Centre

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN MUNICH GERMANY



Diligent crafting for young and old. For once, the HR team from People Projects & Strategy didn't take care of SIXT employees on 18 July 2019 – Drying Little Tears Day. Instead, they focused on the children at the Zauberwald Child Protection Centre.

At the children's request, the team built garden furniture with old pallets and dug out a fireplace. Afterwards, they headed to Hellabrunn Zoo together with the children, where the children were able to see their favourite animals such as lions and tigers up close. It was a blast, not only for the children!



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN TOUSSUS-LE-NOBLE FRANCE

France,
Toussus-le-Noble
2019
Flying with Air France



High above the clouds. On June 1, 2019, a first flight took off at the flight club Toussus-le-Noble on the outskirts of Paris. A total of 50 children and their families had the opportunity to fly above the Paris region for 30 minutes, on board the four-seater plane, and admire the landscape from above.

special for the little ones. Six children from the paediatric and youth psychiatry department at Robert Debré Hospital, accompanied by their parents, were also able to enjoy a trip to the skies thanks to an invitation from the "Séchez Les Petites Larmes" (Drying Little Tears) French Association. A wide range of activities took place throughout the day and delighted young and old in equal measure:

A number of different associations were on site to make the day truly

Firefighters taught the children how to use a fire hose, a magician and a ventriloquist performed a show, a kung fu demonstration was held right before lunch, and the activities drew to a close in the afternoon with a biker performance. A festive barbecue party provided the perfect setting for all this. At the end of the day, every little guest took home a bag with gifts from "Séchez Les Petites Larmes" as a souvenir from their special excursion. The experience was an unforgettable diversion from the children's otherwise often difficult everyday life. The best proof of this was the joy in the children's eyes and the smiling faces at the end of this day full of emotions and special activities!



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN WARTAWEIL GERMANY

Germany,
Wartaweil/Ammersee
2019
**A new tepee for
the school camp**



Teamwork at 35 degrees in the shade: On 25 July 2019, the Strategic Sales International Franchise team headed to Herrsching am Ammersee, to the Wartaweil school youth hostel.

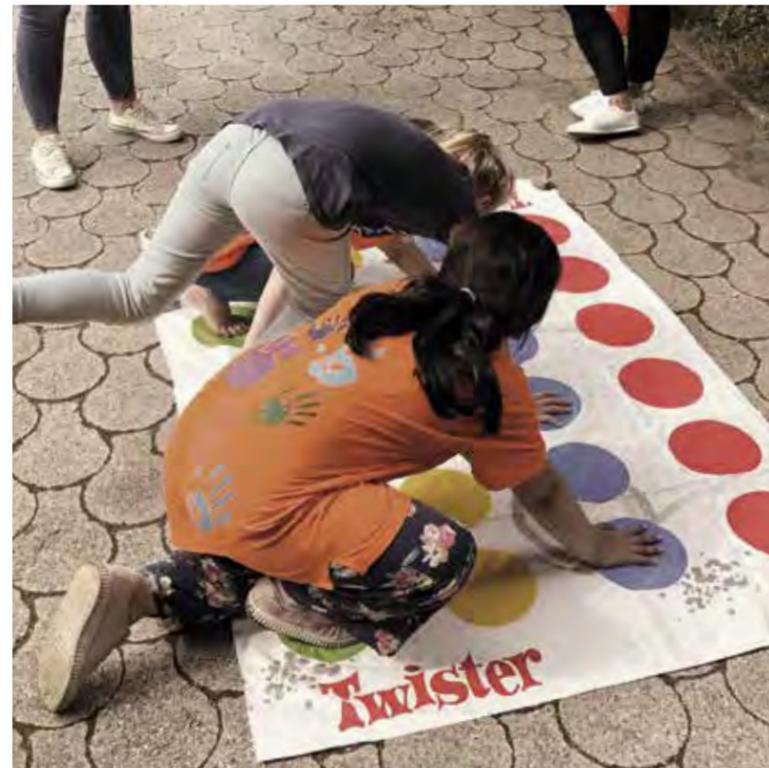
Their task: To build a tepee, financed by the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, together with a team of helpers from the school youth hostel – no problem, even in sweltering

heat! The team wasn't afraid to take risks when arranging the 10-metre-high poles, resorting to techniques used for erecting maypoles to master the challenge. That's just something Upper Bavarians do. In the end, the results were something they could be proud of. The children at the Wartaweil school camp now have a perfect location to enjoy roasted marshmallows around the bonfire.



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY PUTZBRUNN GERMANY

Germany, Putzbrunn
2019
Clemens Maria Children's Home



Work, fun, and games in the east of Munich. The 16 employees of the Leisure Team split up: work in the morning, fun and games with the children in the afternoon. Of course, they highly enjoyed their so-called "work" as well: redesigning the garden, including weeding, trimming trees and bushes, as well as planting a raised bed with herbs and sprucing up the terrace by putting potted plants in box planters. To complete the idyllic garden scene, the employees also put together and set up birdhouses. They even managed to build a little garden house (funded by external donations) to accommodate the children's vehicles.

All of this work not only required the classic skills of knuckling down, digging, and building, but also organisation skills: the weekly schedule of building 5 had to be redesigned and allocated completely anew.

As the children gradually returned from school, they had lunch together with the team. After this, the SIXT colleagues started on their next task of helping the kids with their homework. After they were done with all that work, they could finally start playing together with the children. They enjoyed a wide range of activities, including football, table tennis, and twister. Later, when visiting the adventure playground, the team and the children climbed and hopped on the swings together, followed by a walk in the neighbouring forest. The grand finale consisted of a joint barbecue with all those involved.

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN THE "BURGENLAND" AUSTRIA



New lustre for the Sterntalerhof. The Sterntalerhof in the Austrian town of Loipersdorf-Kitzladen is a hospice institution that the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" has supported since 2015. It offers support for families with critically ill, chronically ill, as well as terminally ill children.

In June, 23 employees from the SIXT branch "Am Stadtpark" in Vienna met at the Sterntalerhof. The ward manager from Emirates in Vienna also took part in the activities. Before the hard work started on this sunny day and in 28°C heat, the SIXT employees were greeted by the Managing Director of the Sterntalerhof, Harald Jankovits, and informed about the organisation's work.

The helpers in orange split up into small groups and started their day's work: weeding, replacing beds, trimming hedges, replanting and planting new shrubs, reorganising tool sheds, doing repair work in the workshop, repairing blinds, etc. But the day's schedule didn't just include work. The kitchen staff at the Sterntalerhof made sure the employees didn't go hungry. Drying Little Tears Day in Vienna was a complete success, with everyone heading home feeling extremely good about their day. It proves true time and again: "Doing good makes you feel good and enriches you."

Austria, Loipersdorf-Kitzladen
2019

Repair works at the Sterntalerhof Children's Hospice



Mexico, Monterrey
2019
Easter event

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY MEXICO



Colourful Easter joy. In April, the team of SIXT Mexico gathered in Monterrey to paint eggs for the Drying Little Tears Easter Egg Hunt. They collected eggs for over two months to create the greatest possible variety of colourful eggs. The result: 570 Easter eggs!

The orphan children at the Ministerios de Amor orphanage then searched for them (and found them) at Easter. A great tradition, which will surely be repeated in the future.

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY FRANCE



Fun at school. Seven SIXT employees volunteered at the Saint-Etienne school in Saint-Estèphe in the French Sud-Ouest region. The charity day was organised by the foundation Séchez Les Petites Larmes French Association. The Saint-Etienne school is a boarding school run by the Apprentis d'Auteuil foundation, which helps children and students via special educational programmes tailored to their social circumstances.

Over the course of the day, SIXT employees Mélanie Lafon, Anthony Dupuy, Mariana Da Silva Carvalho, Vanessa Gelman, Vincent Ramière, Christelle Tholance, and Fiona Van Hauwe worked on the school's outside area. They removed branches and weeds to create a

nice environment for the children to play in during the summer.

In the afternoon, a variety of fun activities took place. There was plenty in store for all participants, from a baking workshop to a tennis tournament. The day ended with a real gourmet snack: Both young and old were delighted by the chocolate waffles!

France, Saint-Estèphe
2018
**A very special
volunteers' day**

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN LEIDEN HOLLAND



Disney fever. In May of 2018, SIXT employee Debbie Bekking-Kuijper visited the Willem Alexander Children's Hospital (LUMC) in Leiden, near Den Haag. Accompanied by the two Disney princesses Anna and Elsa, who arrived in fine style in a SIXT limousine, she brought along a cuddly toy for each child.

When they arrived at the hospital, all eyes were immediately on them. Children and adults alike revelled in the Disney magic: the ice princesses performed a song and dance act. Children who couldn't attend for health reasons, could still follow the show in their hospital rooms, through a live television transmission.

Holland, Leiden
2018
Ice princess magic for sick children

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN DÜSSELDORF GERMANY



All you can eat ice cream. The family party at the Regenbogenland Children's Hospice, with SIXT branch directors of the Rhine-Ruhr region, was a great success. The sun was shining brightly for the seriously ill children, 60 in total, and their siblings and parents, and the party was a smash hit, with various cocktails and hot dogs, playing stands, a paddling pool, and a trampoline. The ice cream truck was a real highlight. All children were given the chance of eating as much ice cream as they wanted for a full hour. There will certainly be more similar events to come!

Germany, Düsseldorf
2018
Family Day at the Regenbogenland Children's Hospice

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN WARTAWEIL GERMANY



From monitors to feet in the mud. The Wartaweil School Camp is an adventure destination for children with and without disabilities, with ample space to romp about. The Social Media team spent a day whipping the garden and playing areas into shape. Their task: Caring for the gardens, playgrounds, and adventure areas, to make playing even more fun for the children. The team wasn't afraid to work up a sweat, and so – after some serious work and a few blisters later – the paths were once again freely accessible to all, the garden was cleared of leaves, and the barefoot adventure trail was repaired.

A rewarding experience for the Social Media team, who spend most of their time in the digital realm: It's great to see how your own, manual labour directly benefits the children.



Germany, Wartaweil/Ammersee
2018
Gardening and playing at Wartaweil



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN MUNICH GERMANY



Spring-cleaning. The Franchise Operation Team decided to take some time off their e-mails, incremental sales planning, and CES to spend a day at the AtemReich Children's House and give it some new lustre. The slide and swing were renovated and the garden was brought back to mint condition. The team worked together with the children in decorating the classrooms with pretty motifs. A day full of work was seen to an end with a convivial, shared barbecue, together with the teachers, educators, and physiotherapists.

Germany, Munich
2018
**Embellishments at the AtemReich
Children's Home**

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN PARIS

FRANCE



France, Paris
2018
**Maiden flight for
children over Paris**



Surprise for the kids. The Aéro-Club from Toussus-le-Noble organised a maiden flight for the children in the Parisienne region. On board the machine, the little ones could admire the Rambouillet Forest and the Les Vaux-de-Cernay Abbey from up high, during a 30-minute flight over the Paris metropolitan area. Numerous sports and charity associations helped on site to make the day truly unforgettable for the 50 children.

With its "Drying Little Tears" initiative, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, together with the ISIS association, invited nine young patients from the haematologic paediatric oncology centre of the Hôpital Armand-Trousseau clinic to join. >>





During the day, the families could participate in a range of exciting activities, which amazed both the young and older participants: Firemen taught them how to use a fire extinguisher and a magician and a

ventriloquist performed shows. They enjoyed a kung fu demonstration before lunch and bikers rode along in a parade. This exceptional trip allowed the children to forget their daily struggles for a few hours.



“With the 'Drying Little Tears Day', we want to pay tribute to the commitment of our ambitious employees, and actively support them at the same time. They should feel at ease with their projects and receive starter kits with T-shirts, bonnets, and some small gifts for the children. And the team of the Regine Sixt Children’s Aid Foundation supports our employees in planning and carrying out the global 'Drying Little Tears Day' projects.”

Alexander Sixt,
Board Member





DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY IN MUNICH GERMANY



Pyjama party. Bright eyes, brilliant sunshine, and an invitation to a pyjama party. All this awaited eight children between the ages of 5 and 9 from the Zauberwald Child Protection Centre during "Drying Little Tears" in Munich. After they arrived at the Zauberwald, it didn't take long for the ice to be broken. The guests joined the employees of SIXT Munich in packing bags of fruit and vegetables, sweets, drinks, and tissues into the orange "Drying Little Tears" rucksacks, before heading to the zoo with the tram. Each child could choose which animals they wanted to see most. Their favourites were: monkey, sharks, lions, and the bat cave. The latter proved to be equal parts scary and fascinating to some of the little ones, but in the end, they all stepped inside and tried to touch a real bat. After lunch with French fries and schnitzel, the children enthusiastically painted their own monkey masks.

Germany, Munich
2018

Visit to a zoo and painting monkey masks

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY

MEXICO



Easter party. The employees of SIXT Mexico offered street orphans of the Ministerios de Amor orphanage a welcome distraction from their dreary everyday lives with fun games and a big Easter egg hunt. They managed to find the 400 hidden Easter eggs in a record time of only ten minutes. The children had the chance to earn vouchers with the games, which they later exchanged against gifts. All the children, as well as the SIXT Mexico employees, had a blast, and they immediately exchanged ideas on the next Drying Little Tears Day events of the coming months.

The Ministerios de Amor was founded in the 1980s by Dr Cecilia Blanchet. Back then, it was the first civilian initiative to help street children find regular, paid employment. The homes accommodate children up to the age of 15. At the facility, attention is paid to a well-balanced diet, and the children are offered psychological and medical care as well as education through cultural and sporting activities.

Mexico, Mexico City
2018

Hunting 400 Easter eggs and winning gifts



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY

GERMANY



A surprise for all. A team of five SIXT employees visited around 50 sick children in the Virchow Clinic of the Berlin Charité Hospital. Alongside lots of toys, soft animals, children's books, and candy for the brave little patients, the colleagues also presented two rocking horses for the two playrooms, as well as orange

tulips and chocolates for nurses and ward managers. They were all looking forward to seeing each other again.

Germany, Berlin
2018

Games and equipment for a children's ward

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY

LITHUANIA



Lithuania, Klaipeda
2018

Visit to a dolphin show

Good spirits. "Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see," is a popular phrase in Lithuania. SIXT Lithuania organised a visit to the Dolphinarium of Klaipeda, the third-largest city of Lithuania, for a total of 39 children to attend the Litorina school run by the Order of Malta in Tauragė.

Klaipeda is situated directly by the sea and the Dolphinarium is in a beautiful location next to the water. The children spent a day at one of the country's prettiest spots, where they could marvel at many ferries and which also houses the maritime museum.



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY

GERMANY

Find Nemo! Six children from an orphanage near Munich spent an exciting day at Sealife in the Olympia Park, together with employees of SIXT Munich. Equipped with orange-colour backpacks and caps, they started their adventure, observing unique fish and funny turtles from up

close – the little ones even touched real shark eggs.

Germany, Munich
2018

A visit to Sealife in the Olympia Park



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY GERMANY



Grab bag. Before Easter, three employees of the SIXT headquarters in Pullach visited young patients in the children's hospital of the Klinikum Schwabing. Some of the children laughed joyously, while others remained respectfully silent when the large Easter Bunny entered their room. In addition to chocolate eggs, Easter baskets, and countless plush bunnies, colleagues from the "Drying Little Tears" initiative also

presented wooden rocking horses for the playrooms of the children's wards.

Germany, Munich
2018
Easter visit with plush bunnies and rocking horses




DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY GERMANY

Bunny surprise. Easter visit to the children's hospital of the Hanover Medical School (MHH) Many of the young patients at the paediatric haematology and oncology wards in the children's hospital revelled in all the sweets, toys, and loads of plush bunnies. The parents, physicians, and nursing staff were

equally charmed by the Easter Bunny.

Germany, Hannover
2018
Toys and plush bunnies for the children's hospital



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY GERMANY



Rabbit party. Excitement at the oncological outpatient clinic of the University Hospital Frankfurt am Main: As part of the "Drying Little Tears Day", the employees of SIXT Frankfurt spread good vibes and distributed sweets to the young patients, and they brought along rocking horses for the hospital's waiting area. The ward is specialised in oncology, haematology, and haemostaseology. The physicians at the ward treat diseases of the hematopoietic system as well as malign diseases in children and adolescents. They really loved their change of scene, with a large Easter Bunny, who hopped along the rooms and past the hallways, and had plenty to share with everyone.

Germany, Frankfurt am Main
2018
Easter gift for the oncological outpatient clinic of the University Hospital



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY

GERMANY



“From now on, you’ll sleep in my arms every day.” That’s how delighted the youngster was with his new friend, a plush bunny. He was one of the 45 young patients at Dr. von Haunersche Children’s Hospital to be visited by the pink Easter Bunny and receive gifts. Several SIXT employees visited the patients as part of the “Drying Little Tears Day” project. The adults were equally delighted by the visit and the relaxed atmosphere it brought along. “Many children have never seen a pink Easter Bunny before,” said Astrid Simader-Reiber of Dr. von Haunersche Children’s Hospital, who was delighted by the relaxed atmosphere on the ward.

Germany, Munich
2018

Surprising Easter visit with a pink cuddly bunny at the Dr. von Haunersche Children’s Hospital

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY

FRANCE



Joyous distraction. At Easter, SIXT France employees brought the children at the paediatric immunohaematologic centre of the Robert-Debré University Hospital in Paris little Easter gifts and toys. The Robert-Debré University Hospital is the largest paediatric hospital in France, specialised in, among others, the treatment of

newborns, children, adolescents, women, and mothers-to-be.

France, Paris
2018

Easter surprise for the Parisian Children’s and Women’s Clinic

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY

KASSEL



Germany, Kassel
2018

Rocking horses for waiting rooms

Good spirits. Young Aysar wanted to take a closer look, because he didn’t quite trust the large bunny in his brown bunny suit, carefully inspecting the nose, mouth, and ears to check whether everything was actually real. When the Easter basket filled with sweets and rocking horses for the waiting room of the Klinikum Kassel were presented, Aysar was finally satisfied as well, playing and snacking along with the other kids. Up to 50 children and adolescents with a cancer diagnosis are admitted each year. Other young patients are treated in the day-care hospital or receive outpatient care.



DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY

GERMANY



Sweet tooth. As part of the “Drying Little Tears Day”, employees of SIXT Berlin visited the Helios Klinikum Berlin-Buch Children’s Ward. Led by a cool, pink Easter Bunny and carrying along sweet Easter baskets, they surprised the children, who proudly struck poses with the

bunny and roamed the hallways of the hospital by his side.

Germany, Berlin
2018

Feel-good gifts and toys

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY GERMANY



Great joy. When the employees of SIXT Düsseldorf showed up at the Regenbogenland Children's Hospice in Düsseldorf, bringing along Easter baskets and gifts to the young patients fighting for their lives, instead of playing to their heart's content, they were welcomed with great joy. The struggles of the young patients immediately made way for excitement over the Easter visit.

Regenbogenland is a facility for children with limited life expectancy, as a result of their incurable disease or severe disability. For those responsible, the children's hospice is a place of life and vitality. The facility wants to help families design what little time they have left with their child in the most positive and fulfilled manner possible. Caretakers strive to create "moments of togetherness".

Germany, Düsseldorf
2018

Easter baskets for children with incurable illnesses or severe disabilities

DRYING LITTLE TEARS DAY GERMANY



Germany, Hamburg
2018
Easter event at the paediatric cancer ward of the Eppendorf University Hospital



Joy in painting. On "Drying Little Tears Day", SIXT Hamburg employees visited the paediatric cancer ward at the University Hospital Hamburg–Eppendorf (UKE). In addition to a few sweets, they also brought a lot of craft materials with them for the upcoming Easter festival. For more than three hours, the SIXT staff decorated and painted the Easter eggs together with the children and talked about the upcoming holiday. In a short time, the children created many colourfully painted Easter eggs.

The children at the ward once more experienced an easy-going yet adventurous afternoon together with the SIXT employees. This very welcome distraction made them forget about their many worries for a day, and the children's eyes beamed with joy – especially when unpacking the wooden "Drying Little Tears" rocking horse. At the end of an exciting day, the children were happy and proud to hand over their hand-painted Easter surprises to their parents.





PROJECT

“KINDERWIESN” & “WASEN”

“We cannot speak of great progress, as long as there are still unhappy children on Earth.”





Germany, Munich
2019

**The 20th Kinderwiesn
(Children's October Festival)
of the Regine Sixt Children's
Aid Foundation**



KINDERWIESN 2019-2011

MUNICH, OKTOBERFEST



"Today, I forgot all about my cancer." The Kinderwiesn is a joyous folk festival for sick children and children in need. It marks one of the highlights of the year for all those involved: for the little ones, but also for the employees of the children and youth centres, the paediatric hospitals and wards, as well as the team of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and SIXT employees.

In 2019, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation 'Drying Little Tears' already invited children in need to the Munich Oktoberfest for the 20th time. Around 150 sick children and children in need from 11 facilities from all over Germany arrived in Munich, to enjoy a care-free day at the folk festival together with their friends, families, and caretakers.

A motley programme awaited the young guests – as has become tradition by now. After a musical programme and a magician and a balloon artist had provided some funny entertainment, the children enjoyed local delicacies and went for a stroll over the festival grounds – including visits to rides and some indulgences of the sweet tooth. When the children received their gifts at the end of the day, their eyes were beaming with gratitude and joy.

"Regine's Kinderwiesn" was supported by, among others, the **Schützenfest marquee host Ludwig Reinbold** and **Dr Auma Obama**, who comforted the children on the grounds. With her "Auma Obama Foundation – Sauti Kuu", the half sister of the former US President strives to provide disadvantaged children and adolescents across the world with perspectives on an independent life.



"Once again this year, organising Regine's Kinderwiesn is a project very dear to my heart. I am delighted by the chance of putting a smile on the faces of children who experience great suffering in their daily lives. With countless attractions, we allow them to spend a care-free day, away from daily life at the hospital. The very crucial task of my Children's Aid Foundation is to help children in need and allow them to live a fulfilling life. I would like to above all express my gratitude to all those who volunteered and sponsored the event. With them, we've made this Kinderwiesn possible, already for the 20th time."

Regine Sixt





19TH KINDERWIESN 2018 GERMANY, MUNICH

When Regine Sixt invited 200 sick and needy children to the annual Kinderwiesn, already taking place for the 19th time, there was joy all around. The young guests arrived at the Munich Oktoberfest from 13 institutions all over Germany. Every year, the day offers the children and their parents a couple of carefree hours during which they can forget about their worries and their illnesses.

The day was colourful and cheerful! The guests celebrated at Café Mohrenkopf together with a children's band, clowns, and magicians, and they stilled their hunger with Bavarian appetizers, sausages with

potato salad, and tasty baked goods. Then the children headed to the festival grounds in small groups and stopped at various fairground rides and candy stands. The children headed home in the evening with big smiles on their faces!

"The group dynamic that emerges on these days at the Kinderwiesn gives the children so much more! It always has various knock-on effects: It's not just the day itself that makes them happy. Meeting the others outside of the hospital also has a healing effect," says Michaela Gessner, Senior Physician at Tübingen University Hospital.



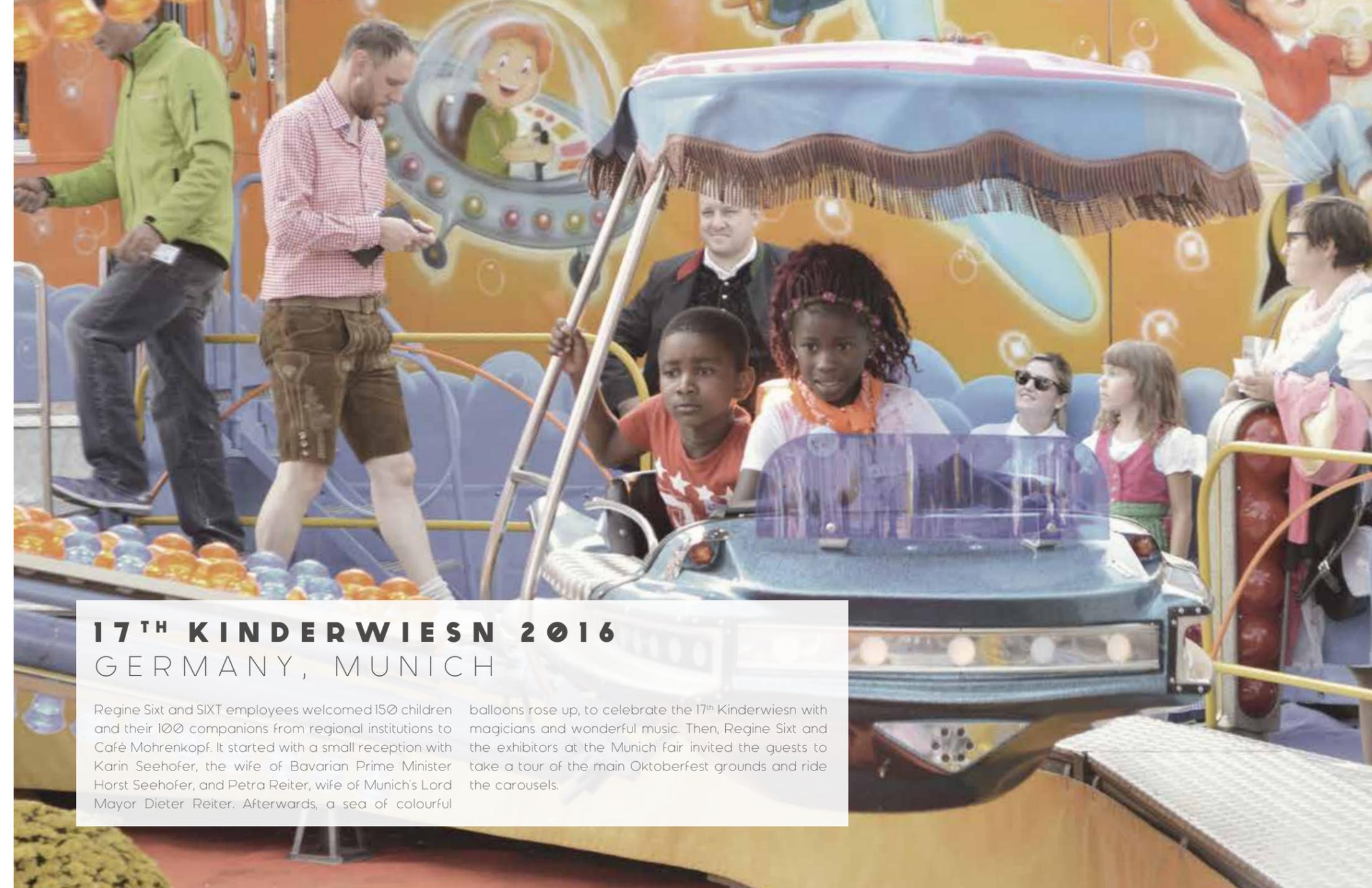
18TH KINDERWIESN 2017
 GERMANY, MUNICH

"Today, I forgot all about my cancer." The Kinderwiesn is a joyous folk festival for sick children and children in need. It marks one of the highlights of the year for all those involved: for the little ones, but also for the employees of the children and youth centres, the paediatric hospitals and wards, as well as the team of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and SIXT employees.

on 22 September 2017, with clowns, doughnuts, and merry-go-rounds. Regine Sixt not only invited Munich institutions such as the orphanage, the four large children's hospitals, as well as the Pfennigparade Association to the festival, but also young patients from the Berlin Charité Hospital, the Tübingen University Hospital, and the Stuttgart Children's Hospital. The young guests could forget about their daily struggles for a day, during a visit filled with smiles and joy. These youngsters really deserve to spend some care-free hours, facing so many hardships.

At the 18th Kinderwiesn of the Munich Oktoberfest, more than 300 children celebrated the children's folk festival, which has by now turned into a real tradition,





17TH KINDERWIESN 2016
GERMANY, MUNICH

Regine Sixt and SIXT employees welcomed 150 children and their 100 companions from regional institutions to Café Mohnkopf. It started with a small reception with Karin Seehofer, the wife of Bavarian Prime Minister Horst Seehofer, and Petra Reiter, wife of Munich's Lord Mayor Dieter Reiter. Afterwards, a sea of colourful balloons rose up, to celebrate the 17th Kinderwiesn with magicians and wonderful music. Then, Regine Sixt and the exhibitors at the Munich fair invited the guests to take a tour of the main Oktoberfest grounds and ride the carousels.



16TH KINDERWIESN 2015 GERMANY, MUNICH

The children spent an adventurous day free of worries at the world's largest folk festival. Around 300 young guests from 17 institutions participated in the 16th Kinderwiesn. Many refugee children joined in the celebrations. To allow them to enjoy the unique atmosphere at the Wiesn, far away from their daily lives in the hospital, some children even arrived by

plane. The festive programme started at 11 a.m. in the Marstall tent, with a classic chicken meal, before the kids headed off to the rides and stands with sweets. The children were furthermore given little presents to remind them of the exciting day for a long time to come, such as balloons and gingerbread hearts.





15TH KINDERWIESN 2014
GERMANY, MUNICH

No, beer wasn't on the menu, but instead a proper children's celebration with lemonade, cocoa, and all sorts of pastries during the 15th Kinderwiesn. **Regine Sixt:** "When I see the look in the eyes of the little children when we offer them a few hours of fun and when I hear how they laugh, it is a real joy even if I know that we cannot change everything for the better. But we can help put a smile on their faces."

14TH KINDERWIESN 2013 GERMANY, MUNICH

Already for the 14th time, Regine Sixt invited sick and disabled children from hospitals and institutions all over Germany to Munich. This includes the Dr. von Hauner's Children's Hospital, the Klinikum Großhadern, the Ronald McDonald House, and the Schwabing Hospital in Munich. Some children, however, came from the University Hospitals of Freiburg, Erlangen, and Cologne, the

Olgahospital in Stuttgart, and the Augsburg Children's Hospital, with some young visitors arriving from Berlin as well. The little guests could not only enjoy the swing ride, bumper cars, and shooting exercises, but also take home souvenirs as well as gingerbread hearts, hats, and even a yodeling marmot.





13TH KINDERWIESN 2012 GERMANY, MUNICH

Around 200 children from Munich hospitals and the Björn Schulz Stiftung in Berlin, as well as from oncology clinics in Stuttgart, Cologne, Erlangen, Freiburg, and Augsburg, travelled to the 13th Kinderwiesn organised by Regine Sixt. They were joined by their caretakers

and families. After regaining their strength at the horse track with roast chicken and donuts, the children headed off to the fairground. For some of them, it was the first time they could ride on a merry-go-round or drive a bumper car with their own hands on the wheel.

12TH KINDERWIESN 2011 GERMANY, MUNICH

Children's laughter, colourful balloons, some serious appetite for chicken, swaying hips to the Wiesnkapelle band, fun with lemonade; and mothers who were given the chance to switch off for once, SIXT Wiesnhearts and SIXT bonnets, and in the midst of this colourful and cheerful group, the woman who came up with the Kinderwiesn eleven years ago: **Regine Sixt.** "We

should return some of the happiness we ourselves have," she said, after seeing so many bright and shining eyes of children. "Therefore, I would like to thank all the volunteers, SIXT employees, and sponsors, who made this unique day possible and helped turn the Kinderwiesn into a permanent fixture of the Oktoberfest."





Germany, Stuttgart
2019

**The 1st Kinderwasen of the
Regine Sixt Children's
Aid Foundation**



1ST KINDERWASEN 2019 STUTTGART, CANNSTÄTTER WASEN



On 9 October 2019, the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation invited severely ill children to spend a care-free day at the Cannstatter Wasen fairground for the first time. Around 30 young guests from hospitals across Southern Germany arrived in Cannstatt near Stuttgart, to experience a colourful programme at the beloved folk festival together with their companions.

"Regine's Kinderwasen" celebrated its premier in 2019. For the first time, the traditional "Regine's Kinderwiesn", which has been celebrated at the Munich Oktoberfest for over 20 years, expanded to folk festivals in other German cities.

"After an exciting Kinderwiesn at this year's Oktoberfest, I am filled with joy to be able to offer many young guests in Cannstatt the chance to have a care-free day outside of the hospital, and put a smile on their faces, with the first edition of 'Regine's Kinderwasen'," says Regine Sixt. "The very crucial task of my Children's Aid Foundation is to help children in need and allow them to live a fulfilling life. I would like to above all express my gratitude to all those who volunteered and sponsored the event – and the Renoldi family in particular –, for making this first edition of the Kinderwasen possible."

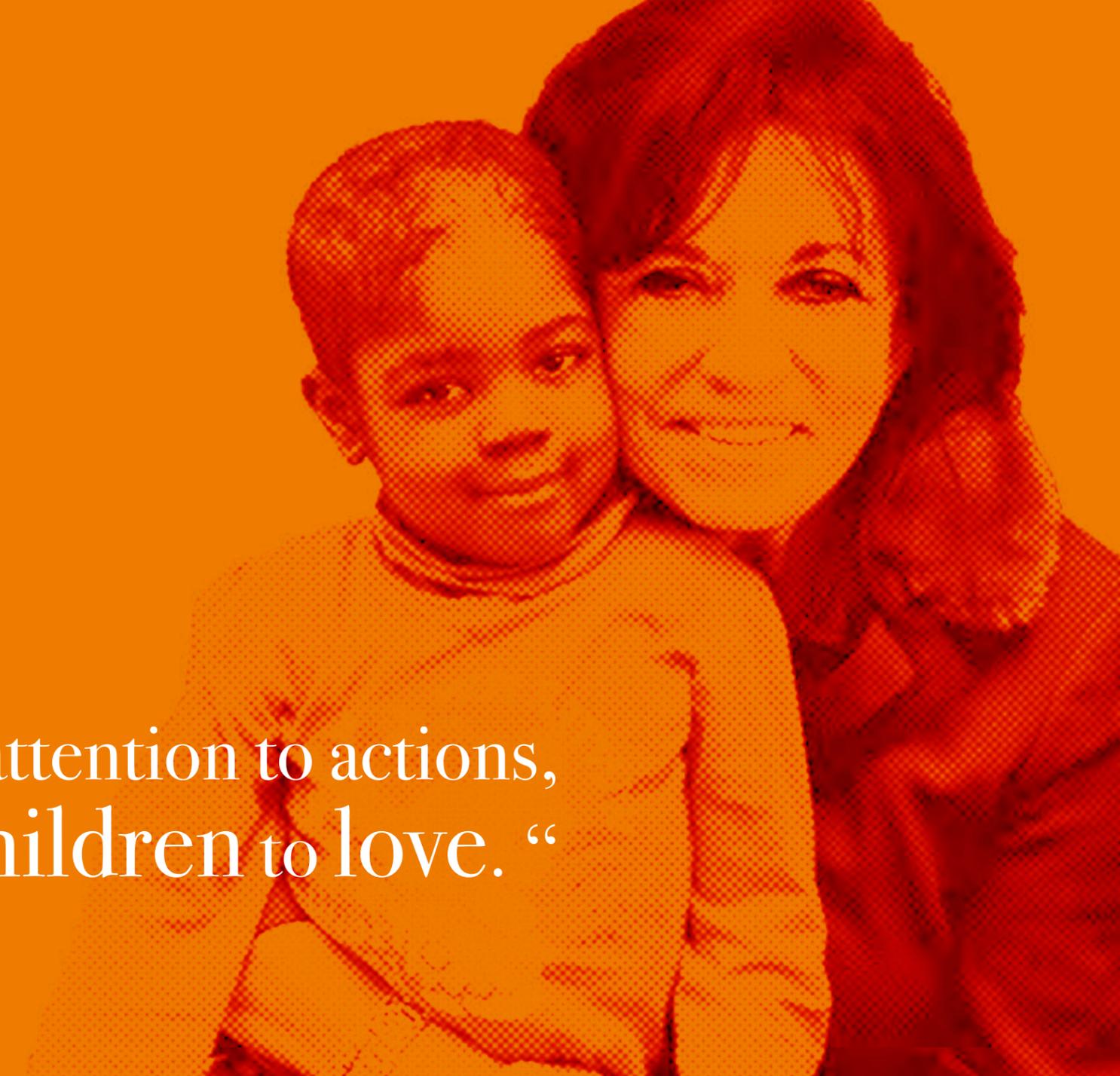


INITIATIVES

EASTER & CHRISTMAS

SIXT EMPLOYEES VOLUNTEER

“Adults pay attention to actions,
children to love.”





EASTER VISITS 2019 – 2012

OF THE REGINE SIXT
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Germany, Munich
2019
Easter surprise at
children's hospitals



Drying Little Tears. Surprise Easter visits to German children's hospitals take place each year, and new participants join in on the fun each time. When SIXT employees across the whole of Germany and the 'Drying Little Tears' teams of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, together with the Easter Bunny, come to visit patients of all ages, the surprise brings about much joy in the children's wards of the hospitals.

And the volunteers of SIXT's 'Drying Little Tears Day' initiative also worked diligently to conjure up smiles on the children's faces. Everyone is looking forward to celebrating their good and much-loved traditions.

So, in 2019 again, many SIXT employees visited a total of 18 institutions, to bring around 800 brave little

patients lots of happiness with the Easter Bunny and Easter surprise, as part of SIXT's corporate volunteering initiative 'Drying Little Tears Day'.

Seven institutions in Munich alone, another eight in the rest of Germany, and even hospitals in Italy, Spain, the Netherlands, and Armenia. Hospitals that were visited as part of the initiative include the Hanover Medical School, the Children's Hospital at Charité Berlin, the Pediatric Oncology wards at Frankfurt and Cologne University Hospitals, as well as the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital, Klinikum Großhadern, and the Children's Hospital Munich-Schwabing. In 2019 again, their visits resulted in many smiling faces, joyful eyes of children, and grateful parents.



EASTER VISITS 2019

GERMANY



Germany,
Frankfurt am Main and Cologne
2019
**Oncological outpatient clinic
of the University Hospitals
Frankfurt am Main and
Cologne**

Frankfurt am Main and Cologne. Once again, the SIXT Easter Bunny hopped along, distributing many sweet surprises together with his staff to the children at the oncological outpatient clinics of the University Hospitals in Frankfurt am Main and Cologne. They put a smile on these very brave children's faces. Thank you to the local sponsors Emirates and Global Communications, who further sweetened the little ones' day with a small donation, as well as the driver Thomas Bauer.



Hamburg. For Easter, SIXT Hamburg employees visited the paediatric cancer ward at the University Hospital Hamburg-Eppendorf (UKE). As usual, the patients were delighted about the visit. In addition to some sweets, they also brought a lot of craft materials for the Easter celebrations. For more than three hours, the SIXT staff decorated and

coloured the Easter cards together with the children and talked about the upcoming holiday.

Germany, Hamburg
2019
**University Hospital
Hamburg-Eppendorf**



Germany, Munich
2019
**Easter crafts in
cooperation with
Hotel Bayerischer Hof**

Munich. A carefree day of Easter crafts at Hotel Bayerischer Hof. The Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" and Hotel Bayerischer Hof in Munich gave traumatised and socially disadvantaged children a few happy hours on Easter. The foundation invited children from Munich-based institutions such as the Zauberwald Child Protection Centre and the Order of St John's Dominik-Brunner-Haus to paint Easter eggs together. In the hotel's beautiful gallery, they were able to enjoy a carefree Easter holiday afternoon.

Together with Regine Sixt, founder of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears", and Innegrit Volkhardt, Managing Partner of the Hotel Bayerischer Hof, 40 children painted Easter

eggs in colourful patterns and made cheerful decorations for the holidays. Special surprise guest: a real Easter Bunny who brought along an Easter basket with gifts for every child.

Regine Sixt: "Every child has the right to a carefree life. Unfortunately, far too many of them are not granted such a life. Easter is a colourful and happy time, an ideal occasion to bring children gifts and a little joy. With my foundation, I want to help these children forget their worries, at least for a short while, and experience happy moments. I would particularly like to thank the Hotel Bayerischer Hof for making this wonderful experience possible for the children."

Innegrit Volkhardt: "Awareness of people and their needs has always formed part of our company values. We are therefore very happy to support the important initiative run by the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation 'Drying Little Tears' and show the children a great time."



Mexico. In Mexico, the entire team collected 570 blown-out eggs over two months and painted them during an all-day craft session. Then, the entire SIXT Mexico team celebrated Easter together with the children from the orphanage Ministerios de Amor in the east of Monterrey. Nine SIXT employees volunteered to help organise the celebration and the Easter egg hunt. The children had lots of fun participating in activities such as bowling, basketball, football,

and pinball. They were able to collect tickets in every game and exchange them for prizes. After lunch, it was time for the Easter egg hunt. All of the over 500 eggs were found in just a few minutes!

Mexico, Monterrey
2019
**Orphanage
Ministerios de Amor**



Portugal. Sixt Portugal visited a Ronald McDonald House in which critically ill children and their families can find a temporary home. The employees brought desperately needed detergent and wet wipes as well as toys and chocolate to snack on.

Portugal, Porto
2019
Ronald McDonald House



Israel. In the lead up to the Passover celebrations, organised by Atalia Shmeltzer, SIXT Israel visited Tel Hashomer Hospital and brought gifts, candy, and balloons.

Israel, Ramat Gan
2019
Tel Hashomer Hospital

Turks and Caicos Islands For Easter on the Turks and Caicos Islands, SIXT employees visited "Doreen's Preschool" on the quiet island of North Caicos. The preschool is attended by 20 young pupils, and it keeps growing. In addition to Easter greetings, the team also brought a few gifts. All the children at "Doreen's Preschool" were delighted by the Easter treats.

Turks and Caicos Islands
2019
Doreen's Preschool



Hungary, Törökbálint
2019
**Nursery school of
'Ein Herz Für Kinder'**



Hungary. For Easter, SIXT Hungary employees packed a bundle of gifts and visited the bilingual nursery school operated by "Ein Herz für Kinder" in Törökbálint, where every

child received a little Easter gift. This nice surprise put a smile on the children's faces.



EASTER VISITS 2019

INTERNATIONAL



EASTER VISITS 2018

OF THE REGINE SIXT CHILDREN'S AID FOUNDATION

Laughing faces, shining little eyes, and happy parents. That was the result of the traditional Easter visits of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, during which committed SIXT employees joined up with "SIXT Easter Bunnies" to visit various hospitals in Germany and abroad, to offer the little ones some much-needed distraction from daily life at the hospital. In some hospitals, cuddly miniature rabbits landed on the children's hospital beds; in others, the Easter Bunny handed out Easter baskets filled to the brim with colourful delights. They also painted some Easter eggs together.

The hospital staff and all those involved were very happy with this event, for it allowed the little sick patients to experience a few happy moments and to enjoy their childhood, away from their sterile everyday hospital environments.



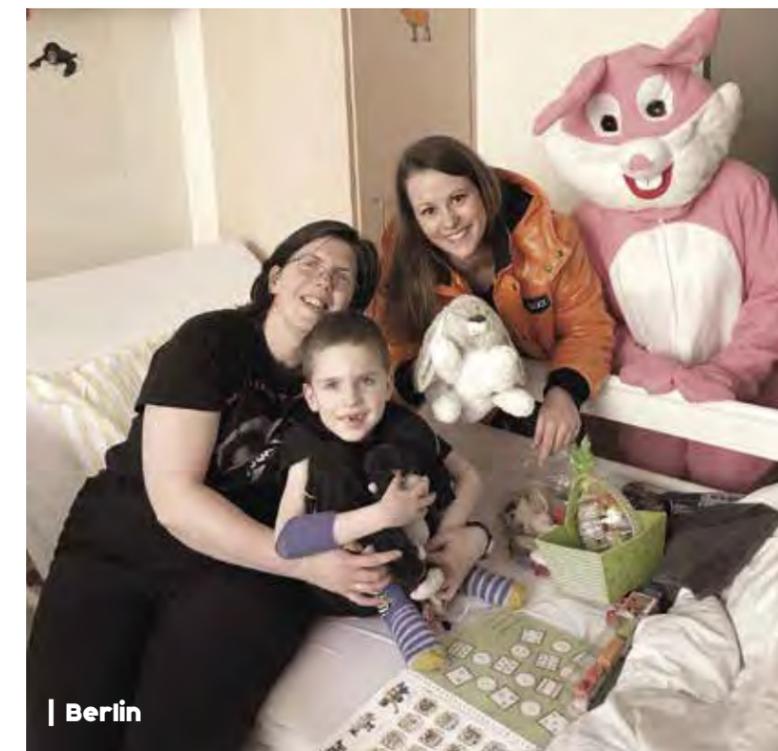
| Hamburg



| Düsseldorf



| Munich



| Berlin



| Kassel



| Frankfurt



| Hanover



| Paris



Kassel. The same happened in central Germany too, in Kassel, where the Easter Bunny was already being awaited impatiently thanks to an early warning by the nurses in the neuropaediatrics department at the Klinikum Kassel. Many young and older patients were looking forward to the large Easter Bunny on the ward. When the Easter Bunny entered the playroom, everyone was overjoyed. The parents, who were

in the playroom or at bedsides at the time of the visit from the SIXT Easter surprise team, also enjoyed the welcome change in the everyday hospital routine – and the joy of their children.

Germany, Kassel
2017
Easter surprise at the neuropaediatric ward



Hanover. Once again, the employees of SIXT Hanover set out to bring the little cancer patients at the Medical University of Hanover their Easter gifts.

Germany, Hanover
2017
Easter visit to the children's hospital of the MHH

Oncology Frankfurt. For the sixth time, the employees of SIXT Frankfurt visited the children of the Frankfurt Oncology clinic, as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation.

With fully loaded backpacks, hiding sweets and toys for the girls and boys, they managed to bring great joy to the little patients, as well as their relatives and caretakers.

Germany, Frankfurt am Main
2017
Easter visit to the Frankfurt Oncology department



Children's cancer ward Hamburg. When the employees of SIXT Hamburg visited the paediatric cancer ward at the University Hospital Hamburg–Eppendorf (UKE), they were met with the same great enthusiasm they had experienced in previous years. In addition to a few sweets, the SIXT employees also brought a lot of craft materials with them for the upcoming Easter festival. For the entire afternoon, the SIXT Hamburg employees, together with the children, decorated and painted the Easter eggs and chatted about the upcoming celebration.

The children at the ward once more experienced an easy-going yet adventurous afternoon. This very welcome distraction made them forget about their many worries for a day, and the children's eyes beamed with joy. On top of that, the children were happy and proud to hand over their hand-painted Easter surprises to their parents.

Germany, Hamburg
2017
Easter visit to the children's cancer ward at the UKE





Mainz. The Easter surprise bags of the Sixt Mainz employees already radiated colourful delight. They collected crafting materials for 30 young patients of the paediatric oncology ward at the Mainz University Clinic, and organised personal gifts as well as cuddly toys. Their "Drying Little Tears" event of the Regine Sixt Children's

Aid Foundation was rewarded with smiling faces and great spirits leading up to Easter.

Germany, Mainz
2017
Paediatric oncology ward Mainz University Hospital



Munich. A large SIXT Easter Bunny gifted the young, severely ill patients their own personal Easter Bunny cuddly toys, to sweeten up the daily lives of the 30 little ones.

Germany, Munich
2017
Paediatric Oncology ward at the Klinikum Schwabing

Munich. The young children, who often find themselves struggling to breathe, literally held their breath in excitement awaiting the Easter gifts the employees of the SIXT headquarters in Pullach brought along. The many colourful toys above all fascinated the 23 young ones, as they allow them to dive into their fantasy playing worlds so easily. Sixt employees highly enjoy the positive ritual of visiting children and bringing them joy, and it's a unique experience each time.

Germany, Munich
2017
Easter visit to the AtemReich House



Fürth. The employees at SIXT Fürth managed to bring joy to 90 young patients with their "Drying Little Tears" bags full of surprises.

Germany, Fürth
2017
Easter visit to Fürth Children's Hospital

Munich. But industrious caretakers also need attention and support. That's why the employees at the SIXT headquarters in Pullach are always happy to pay Easter visits as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative, because they not only bring along happy Easter surprises for the severely ill patients, but also bring joy to the many employees at the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital, who try to make life at the ward a bit easier for the children.

Germany, Munich
2017
Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital



Rhine-Ruhr. Over 20 employees of SIXT branches by the Rhine and Ruhr rivers managed to bring joy to the hearts of countless children, bringing along backpacks full of Easter surprises, as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. In addition to chocolate bunnies and Easter eggs, heaps of craft materials as well as personal gifts and cuddly toys filled

the knapsacks of the little, severely ill patients. The little patients could spend some care-free and happy hours.

Germany, Rhine-Ruhr
2017
Children's hospitals by the Rhine and Ruhr rivers

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Kassel. The so badly wanted cuddly elephant is just that much cuter when handed over by the large Easter Bunny himself. The 25 young patients with very grave illnesses were overjoyed with the visit of the SIXT Kassel employees.

Germany, Kassel
2016
**Neuropaediatrics Ward
at the Klinikum Kassel**



Hamburg. As part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the employees of SIXT Hamburg visited the paediatric cancer ward at the University Hospital Hamburg-Eppendorf (UKE), as they do every year. In addition to many sweets, the young patients were delighted by lots of gifts and loads of craft materials to make their own Easter gifts. In 2014, the eyes of the little ones beamed with anticipation for the Easter festivities.

Germany, Hamburg
2014
**Painting Easter eggs
and gifts at the UKE**



Hanover. The orange SIXT Easter bags resulted in surprised and joyous looks on the faces of 30 young patients at the paediatric ward of the Hanover Medical University Hospital (MHH).

Germany, Hanover
2016
**Visit to the paediatric
oncology ward of the MHH**



Munich. The young patients painted and decorated their Easter eggs, with the support of employees of the SIXT headquarters. The large and cuddly rabbit distributed gifts, Easter baskets, and soft toys from his large bag of Easter gifts. The Easter Bunny visited the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital and the paediatric oncology ward of Klinikum Schwabing. He visited the paediatric oncology ward of the Klinikum Großhadern, the AtemReich House, and the Ronald McDonald House at the German Cardiology Centre.

Germany, Munich
2016
**Sweets and games
for Munich hospitals**



Fürth. The employees of SIXT Fürth always experience many surprises when they visit young patients at the Fürth Children's Hospital for Easter, spoiling them with games, gifts, and sweets. This time, they were particularly taken by the collective joy and acts of affection demonstrated by the 70 young and severely ill patients. It was highly contagious! "Actually,

we are the ones who are given the true gift, for experiencing the joy of the children is the biggest gift of all," said one Sixt employee.

Germany, Fürth
2016
**Easter visit to the
children's hospital**



Düsseldorf. The large, cuddly SIXT Easter bunnies once again visited many different children's wards in Western Germany: the Evangelical Hospital in Düsseldorf and the children's ward of the Essen University Hospital. As part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the employees of Sixt Düsseldorf and SIXT Essen visited the little patients, whose eyes were beaming as they received so many

gifts, such as craft materials to decorate their Easter eggs, as well as small personal cuddly animals and toys.

Germany, Düsseldorf
2015
Visit to children's hospitals in Düsseldorf and Essen



Munich. The children at the Ronald McDonald House in Großhadern beamed with joy when receiving the Easter surprises the SIXT employees from Pullach had personally wrapped for them.

Germany, Munich
2015
Easter visit to the Ronald McDonald House

Kassel. It's a great tradition: the employees of SIXT Kassel making Easter visits to the children's ward of the Klinikum Kassel. The children are overcome with joy. Each year again, the friendly directness and impulsive joy of the 25 young patients, who have to deal with so much in their daily lives, fascinates the visitors. Of course, they were amazed by the large cuddly Easter Bunny, and had a blast painting and decorating their Easter eggs.



Germany, Kassel
2015
Visit to the children's ward at the Klinikum Kassel



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Munich. Naturally, the young patients at the paediatric ward of the Klinikum Großhadern in Munich are very excited when a giant, brown, and cuddly Easter Bunny visits them in their hospital room. And seeing boxing legend Henry Maske, "The Gentleman", there in person accompanying Mr Bunny, the little ones have a hard time keeping their cool. The employees of the SIXT headquarters in Pullach also pampered the children with many cuddly toys, Easter sweets, toys, and personal gifts, as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. This day put a wide smile on the faces of all – children, parents, hospital staff, and doctors alike. Now, we're all set for Easter.

Germany, Munich
2015
Boxing legend Henry Maske during an Easter visit to the Klinikum Großhadern

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Homburg/Magdeburg. The annual Easter visit of the employees of SIXT Frankfurt and Sixt Magdeburg was once again met with an enthusiastic 'Hello!' and great joy. The children, parents, and young cancer patients at the Homburg University Hospital were smiling from ear to ear with their eyes wide open, when they received their 20 lovingly assembled Easter baskets. And at the Pediatric Cancer Hospital of Magdeburg, all of them opened their gifts enthusiastically in the children's game room, spending some care-free time playing and snacking on sweets. For the employees of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, talking to the parents and hospital staff was an equally enriching experience. Take the exchange between parents and Sixt employees with Hospital Director Dr. Gabriele Wevers-Donauer in Homburg, for example, who chatted for two hours about the local work at the clinic over coffee and cake.

Germany, Homburg and Magdeburg
2014
Easter visits to the Homburg University Hospital and the children's cancer hospital in the Leipziger Straße



Munich. Once again, the SIXT Easter visit to the Harlaching Children's Hospital in 2014 caused great joy. Not only the brave young patients, but also the hospital staff and pediatricians highly enjoyed the joyous painting of Easter eggs.

Germany, Munich
2014
Visit to the Harlaching Children's Hospital

Cottbus. Purple Easter surprise at the Carl-Thiem-Klinikum in Cottbus: The employees of SIXT Cottbus and Martina Riedel of the Sorbian Traditional Costume Association Rubisko decorated many Easter eggs together with the children. Under the skillful guidance of Ms. Riedel, "Sorbian Easter Eggs" were decorated using a venerable wax method. Great fun was had by all, and the sound of laughter filled the crafts and meeting rooms.

Germany, Cottbus
2014
Easter surprise in the Carl-Thiem-Klinikum



Hanover. "What sunshine is to flowers, smiles are to humanity." Completely in line with these words by poet Joseph Addison, the employees of SIXT Hanover managed to bring a smile to the faces of the young cancer patients at the Easter celebrations. The employees never cease to be amazed at how they can carry out small deeds to realise the guiding principle of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation: Drying Little Tears.

Germany, Hanover
2014
Easter event at the children's cancer ward



Kassel. Once again, the employees of SIXT Kassel visited the young and older children at the Klinikum Kassel as part of "Drying Little Tears". Equipped with the fitting bunny ears, they took over the playing room, which was filled with crafts materials, gifts, and chocolate. The children awaited us with bright and shining eyes, some of them even dressed up for the occasion. One SIXT employee

explains that they are "touched each and every time", when seeing the joy of the children, some of whom have severe disabilities.

Germany, Kassel
2014
Fun at the paediatric ward of the Klinikum Kassel

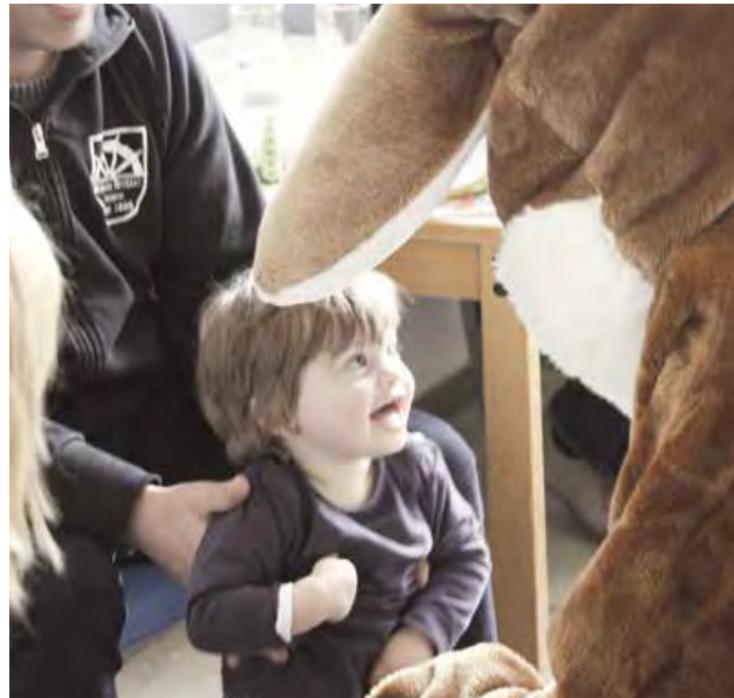


Leipzig. Easter bunnies scurried across the hallways of the children's cancer ward at the Leipzig University Hospital. Carrying paintboxes, scissors, colourful pencils, paintbrushes, and Easter eggs, they were all looking forward to Easter.

Germany, Leipzig
2014
Easter surprise at the children's cancer ward

Nürnberg and Erlangen. As part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the employees of SIXT Nuremberg and SIXT Erlangen visited the local children's clinics in Nuremberg and Erlangen. They were received with an emphatic welcome and great anticipation to start doing handicrafts. The large, brown SIXT Easter Bunny even packed a few gifts along, which made the afternoon a welcome distraction from the kids' often painful everyday lives at the hospital.

Germany, Nürnberg, Erlangen
2014
Visit to children's hospitals



Munich. The oncology ward of the Munich-Schwabing Hospital once again welcomed the SIXT Easter Bunnies from the SIXT headquarters in Pullach in 2014. The young cancer patients were spoiled with many gifts during the visit, which took place as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation.

Germany, Munich
2014
It's bunny time at the oncology ward in Schwabing

Stuttgart. Lots of Easter eggs and crafts materials brightened up the oncology ward of the Olghospital. After painting eggs and doing crafts to her heart's content, young Diane wanted to become a fashion designer.

Germany, Stuttgart
2014
Easter crafts at the Olghospital



Rostock. The children who spent Easter at Station 3 of the oncology and haematology ward of the Rostock Children's Hospital, instead of with their families at home, were visited by SIXT Rostock employees. Together with the little ones, they spent some carefree hours making colourful Easter eggs, unpacking many little gifts, and telling stories. An exciting afternoon which offered some much-needed distraction from everyday life for all those involved.

Germany, Rostock
2014
Easter spirits at Ward 3 of the children's hospital



Munich. The employees of the SIXT headquarters in Pullach, who make Easter visits to children's hospitals and institutions in Munich each year, never cease to be surprised and moved by the joy and frankness with which the severely ill children greet them. Their care-free crafting and interaction with the

Easter Bunny enriched the lives of all who were there.

Germany, Munich
2013
**Easter fun at the
Klinikum Großhadern**

Munich. The employees of the SIXT headquarters in Pullach and the large Easter Bunny also entertained the young patients in the hospital and game rooms of the paediatric oncology ward of Klinikum Schwabing. The Easter visits, which are part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, not only touch and brighten the days of children, but also of their parents and the hospital staff.

Germany, Munich
2013
**The oversized bunny
visits the Schwabing
children's hospital**



Children's hospitals of Munich. Once more, the SIXT Easter Bunny and SIXT employees of the headquarters in Pullach had the opportunity to bring some happy hours to sick little patients at 17 paediatric wards in three children's hospitals in Munich and other hospitals in Berlin, Düsseldorf, Hamburg, and Fürth. The SIXT employees were given a warm welcome by the caretakers and parents. The children immediately ran up to their furry friend and told him lots of stories. The somewhat younger children highly enjoyed the colouring pictures and crafted small egg cups with various Easter motifs for the Easter breakfast. They proudly showed their pieces of art after finishing, looking forward to the Easter baskets which the Easter Bunny carried along as a parting gift.

Regine Sixt. "Easter is an ideal occasion to bring children gifts and a little joy." I want to help these children forget their worries, at least for a short while, and experience happy moments. That's why I am so happy that our initiative, for which SIXT employees volunteer across Germany, is met with great enthusiasm in the many hospitals we visit."

Germany, Munich
2013
**Family get-together with an Easter Bunny
at the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital**



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Munich. As they do each year shortly before Easter, Regine Sixt and the employees at the SIXT headquarter in Pullach brought many gifts and Easter sweets to 30 young patients at the Dr. von Hauner's Children's Hospital. They also painted Easter eggs with them, and gave the little ones joy and smiles from ear to ear.

Germany, Munich
2012
Painting fun at the Dr. von Hauner's Children's Hospital



Frankfurt am Main. The Team of SIXT Frankfurt surprised the young patients of the Frankfurt University Hospital in their rooms, and handed over homemade Easter baskets, as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. Whether it was the chocolate, card games, or cuddly toys – all the children were overjoyed, also by the shared Easter crafts and Easter egg painting in the games room.

Germany, Frankfurt am Main
2012
Frankfurt University Hospital



Hamburg. Easter is the time of crafts: As they do each year, the children at the oncology ward of the UKE eagerly awaited the employees of SIXT Hamburg, to paint Easter eggs with them and have some fun.

Germany, Hamburg
2012
Fun with crafts at the Hamburg Eppendorf University Hospital

Berlin. The large brown SIXT Easter Bunny was given a warm welcome when surprising the youngsters at the Sonnenhof Children's Hospice of the Björn Schulz Association in Berlin, together with SIXT Berlin employees and loaded with Easter gifts and crafts materials. Before unpacking the "Drying Little Tears" gifts of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, they painted colourful Easter eggs and drew many Easter Bunny pictures together, with great commitment and lots of laughter.

Germany, Berlin
2012
Easter crafts in the Sonnenhof Children's Hospice



Munich. As he does every year, the huge brown Easter Bunny of SIXT put a twinkle in the eyes of the 30 young and adolescent patients of the paediatric oncology ward at the Klinikum Schwabing. With Easter egg painting, lots of gifts, and a wide range of Easter sweets, Regine Sixt and the employees at the headquarters in Pullach managed to once again give the

little ones some care-free hours through their "Drying Little Tears" initiative.

Germany, Munich
2012
Easter celebration at the Schwabing children's hospital



Munich. The SIXT employees at the company headquarters in Pullach spent days full of excitement assembling Easter baskets for the 30 young patients of the paediatric oncology department in Klinikum Großhadern. When they arrived at the children in the clinic, together with the large brown SIXT Easter Bunny and a black Easter VW van,

the little ones' faces lit up with joy. Now, all that was left to do is some crafts and unwrapping the countless personal gifts.

Germany, Munich
2012
Easter event at the Klinikum Großhadern



Stuttgart. Prof. Dr. Stefan Bielak, Medical Director of Paediatrics, sang songs of spring together with 30 children, and they painted Easter eggs and drew Easter Bunnies together during a shared hour of crafts.

Germany, Stuttgart
2012
Children party with bunny at the Olghospital

Freiburg. Great surprise, astonishment, joy, and also some emotions – the games room and hospital rooms were full of it when the employees of SIXT Freiburg visited the 25 young patients of the Freiburg University Hospital as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. Many Easter eggs were painted and decorated. They later adorned the large Easter tree in the games room. This put all, parent and hospital staff alike, in a festive Easter mood.

Germany, Freiburg
2012
Easter surprise at the Freiburg University Hospital



Cologne. The 25 children tried to outdo each other, all posing with Easter Bunnies Töffi and Coco. They had great fun painting the Easter eggs and hanging them from the Easter branch. It turned into the heart of the ward up to Easter. Those children who couldn't join in all the fun were handed gifts in their room by Easter Bunnies Töffi and Coco.

Germany, Cologne
2012
Afternoon of games at the Cologne University Hospital

Hanover. The SIXT Hanover employees chatted with each child and handed over the lovingly assembled Easter baskets. Joyous moments were shared by all, and the youngest patients were also delighted.

Germany, Hanover
2012
Easter celebration at the MHH Children's Hospital



Leipzig. The cheerfulness and openness with which the SIXT employees of the Leipzig branch were received during the Easter visit as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, touched them greatly. All the parents as well as the Sixt and hospital staff were delighted by the relaxed attitude of the children when crafting and interacting with the Sixt Easter Bunny.

Germany, Leipzig
2012
Craft hour at the Leipzig University Hospital

CHRISTMAS VISITS 2018 - 2011

OF THE REGINE SIXT
CHILDREN'S AID FOUNDATION



Merry Christmas! In 2018, the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation "Drying Little Tears" continued the tradition of making Christmas a bit happier for children who've fallen on hard times or who are ill.

The Founder and Chairwoman of the Board, Mrs. Regine Sixt, personally visited five facilities in and around Munich, accompanied by actor Jan Hartmann (Sturm der Liebe, GZSZ, Traumschiff) as well as football world champion Andreas Brehme: the Dr. von Hauer'sche Children's Hospital (intensive care ward and surgical department), the Klinikum Großhadern (paediatric

cardiology), the German Heart Centre Munich, the Klinikum Schwabing (paediatric oncology), as well as the Klinikum Harlaching.

Besides attending all these Christmas events, Mrs. Sixt called on all employees in the Sixt Corporate countries to visit hospitals and other facilities in their area. A new record was set in 2018, with visits to 25 institutions. In total, almost 2,000 children were given gifts by our employees, on behalf of the "Drying Little Tears" association.

Germany, Munich
2018

"Drying Little Tears" visit by Regine Sixt and football world champion Andreas Brehme and TV star Jan Hartmann to Munich hospitals



CHRISTMAS VISITS 2018

GERMANY AND FRANCE



St. Nicholas visit to Frankfurt am Main. Our SIXT rent a car colleagues from Frankfurt am Main visited the paediatric oncology ward of the Frankfurt University Hospital together with Lisa Greiner. On behalf of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the Sixt Santa and his diligent helpers handed pretty Christmas packages filled with toys, delicious sweets, and many small surprises to the children with cancer.



Germany, Frankfurt am Main
2018
**Pediatric Oncology at the
Frankfurt University Hospital**



| Cologne



| France

CHRISTMAS VISITS 2017

OF THE REGINE SIXT CHILDREN'S AID FOUNDATION



Visits all over Germany. In 2017, Regine Sixt and the employees at the SIXT headquarters in Pullach were delighted by some high-carat support during their Christmas visits to severely ill children in hospitals in Munich. Together with German television presenter Kai Pflaume, they visited, among others, the paediatric cardiology and paediatric intensive care wards at the Medical Centre of the University of Munich. When the SIXT Santas appeared, bringing along Kai Pflaume and fully loaded trolleys with gifts, the faces of the young, seriously ill heart patients beamed with joy.

In the other children's hospitals of Munich – Großhadern, Schwabing, Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital, and the AtemReich Children's House –, as well as the Children's Hospice Sonnenhof in Berlin and the children's hospitals in Hanover, Cottbus, Kassel, Hamburg, Rostock, and Leipzig, dollhouses were crafted with great joy, sweets were snacked on, and games were played. For one afternoon, the joyous spirit of the days leading up to Christmas filled the hospital rooms.

Germany, Munich
2017

Visit to the children's hospitals of Munich with Kai Pflaume



Germany, Hanover
2017

Christmas surprise
at the oncology ward
of the MHH Children's
Clinic

Hanover. Not only the young patients waited impatiently for Santa and his angels, the parents and employees of the oncology ward at the Children's Clinic of the Hanover Medical School (MHH) were happy to see them as well. The Christmas bags of the employees of SIXT Hanover were filled with painting materials, games, cuddly toys, and the young patients of course also received some sweets on top.

CHRISTMAS VISITS 2016

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CHILDREN'S AID FOUNDATION



Hamburg. As has by now become a tradition, the young patients at the Hamburg-Eppendorf University Hospital (UKE) painted and decorated white and red candles together with their parents, caretakers, and SIXT Hanover employees. The little ones were overjoyed to unwrap their personalised gifts after finishing

their crafts, and snacked on the many sweets.

Germany, Hamburg
2016

Pediatric oncology ward at the UKE Hamburg



Hanover. Christmas, the celebration of angels: At least, this holds true for the oncology ward at the Hanover Medical School (MHH). As they do each year, the employees of SIXT Hanover put on their festive Christmas clothes and arrived at the ward on a Saint Nicholas sled, chock-full of gifts and carried by white angel wings, as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. The smiling faces of the little ones when unwrapping their personalised gifts enchanted all those present.

Germany, Hanover
2016

Angels visit the oncology ward of the MHH



Frankfurt. Anniversary. For the fifth time, the employees of SIXT Frankfurt visited the children at the Frankfurt oncology ward, bringing many bags from Santa along. The children seem to be happier with the visits each year.

Germany, Frankfurt am Main
2016

Visit to the Pediatric Oncology ward at the Frankfurt University Hospital

Rostock. Before the children started unwrapping gifts, the employees of SIXT Rostock baked many trays full of Christmas pastries together with the parents, caretakers, and nursing staff of the little ones. This well-established tradition is met with great enthusiasm by all and accompanied by laughter and fun each time. Moreover, the children are always very curious and impatient to discover which personalised gifts are waiting for them underneath the large Christmas tree.

Germany, Rostock
2016

Afternoon of crafts at the Rostock Children's Hospital



Children's hospitals of Munich.

Together with Santa, and the magician and illusionist Florian Zimmer, Regine Sixt visited four children's hospitals in Munich: The oncology ward of the Schwabing Children's Hospital and the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital, the Klinikum Großhadern, and the paediatric ward of the German Cardiology Centre Munich. The day ended well with a visit to the Ronald McDonald House at the German

Cardiology Centre, where they sang Christmas carols and handed out many little surprises. Many children were happy to have some distraction from day-to-day life, gifts, and sweets.

Germany, Munich
2016

Visit to the children's hospitals of Munich

CHRISTMAS VISITS 2015

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CHILDREN'S AID FOUNDATION



Kassel. Many bright eyes and happy parents, that's the reward awaiting the committed employees of SIXT Kassel, who have been visiting the young oncology patients during the weeks leading up to Christmas for many years now as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. The employees spread some Christmas spirit with pretty gifts, in spite of the unusually warm winter weather.

To make sure that "Drying Little Tears" can make all these surprises for the little ones come true, everyone – parents, caretakers, nurses, and doctors – had to join together. **Regine Sixt:** "The happy faces of so many children are a unique acknowledgement of what we do. We are delighted by the care-free moments we can offer the young patients in the hospitals with our Christmas visits. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to the management of the hospitals to allow us the possibility of making severely ill children a bit happier."

Germany, Kassel
2015
Pediatric oncology ward at the Klinikum Kassel



Rostock. The ward soon filled with the sound of laughter and fun, and the little ones at the Rostock Children's Hospital feasted on the home-baked Christmas stars, resulting in little noses full of flour and powdered sugar. The employees of SIXT Rostock carried along lots of baking and crafting materials in their Santa bags during their visit as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative. And when Santa

Claus came by in person, arriving on a real sled and carrying some personalised gifts from the wish-lists of the little ones, their eyes beamed with joy.

Germany, Rostock
2015
Christmas visit to the Rostock Children's Clinic



Hanover. The Christmas angels of SIXT Hanover once again brought many personalised gifts to the children at the oncology ward of the Hanover Medical School (MHH).

Germany, Hanover
2015
Visit to the oncology ward at the Hanover Medical School (MHH)

Cottbus. The employees of SIXT Cottbus gave a Christmas surprise to the children in the paediatric oncology ward of the Carl-Thiem-Klinikum Cottbus and brought along many colourful Santa bags with chocolate, biscuits, toys, and other gifts. Of course, the team of "Drying Little Tears" didn't forget to bring something along for the doctors and nurses as well, who tend to the daily needs of the little ones with their heart and soul.

Germany, Cottbus
2015
Christmas visit to the Carl-Thiem-Klinikum Cottbus



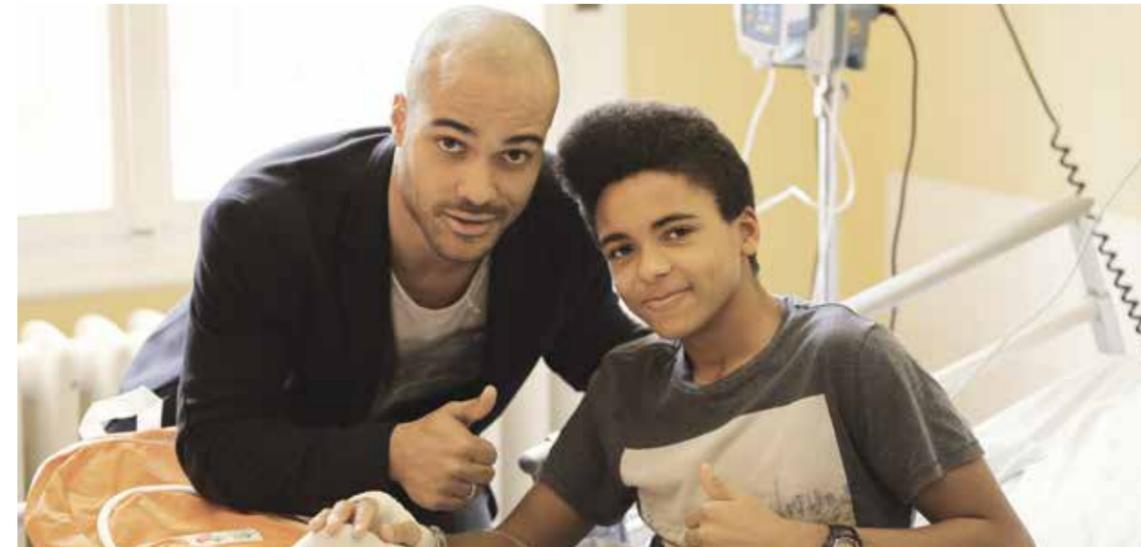


Germany, Munich
2015
**Children's hospitals
of Munich**



Children's hospitals of Munich. Once again, Regine Sixt and the team of her "Drying Little Tears" foundation put a smile on the faces of severely ill children during the weeks of Advent and Christmas. Together with former football international David Odonkor and famous magician and illusionist Florian Zimmer, Regine Sixt visited three children's hospitals in Munich as well as the AtemReich House: They were accompanied by both Saint Nicholas and Santa Claus.

The famous visitors read Christmas tales to the little ones and distributed countless gifts, sweets, and toys from their large sled. The little ones at the oncology ward of the Schwabing Children's Hospital and the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital, the paediatric ward of the German Cardiology Centre, and the AtemReich House were delighted by the special visit of star football player Odonkor and magician Zimmer.



CHRISTMAS VISITS 2014

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Guadeloupe. Among the many Christmas visits made as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, the commitment of one team is particularly worth mentioning: The employees of SIXT Guadeloupe organised a seaplane, branded it in the SIXT look, and brought over Santa Claus by air, arriving at the children of the Caribbean island with a water landing.

Not only the many gifts, sweets, and toys inspired great joy, but the spectacular water landing of Santa also gave the kids something to remember and talk about for many days to come.

Caribbean, Guadeloupe
2014
Santa Claus visit with a seaplane to a children's hospital on Guadeloupe



Cologne. Santa Claus and his elves of SIXT Cologne gave a group of children and young adults at the Cologne Dialysis Clinic a great Christmas surprise. The little ones had many wishes – above all, they hope to get a new kidney. Of course, the employees of SIXT Cologne were unable to fulfill that wish, but they still managed to bring

some joy to the young patients with their Christmas bags full of toys and sweets.

Germany, Cologne
2014
Visit to the Cologne Dialysis Centre

Hanover. Santa Claus and his two Christmas angels of the SIXT Hanover branch were met with great enthusiasm by the little ones at the children's oncology ward of the MH Hanover.

Germany, Hanover
2014
Oncology ward Children's Hospital MHH



Kaunas. Together with the "Live Nation Lietuva" event agency and the Order of Malta, SIXT Lithuania paid a visit to a nursery school in Kaunas in the weeks before Christmas. They made a big dream of the children come true, bringing along their favourite characters from the "Ice Age" film. SIXT Lithuania supports the work carried out by the Order of Malta, for children in various nursery schools in Kaunas, in many ways.

The little ones also prepared a special programme for the guests and employees at the nursery school:

They sang and recited poems, and showed off their beloved Ice Age figures. The employees of SIXT Lithuania pampered the children with little gifts and drawings, as well as ice cream and sweet Christmas delicacies, as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation.

Lithuania, Kaunas
2014
Christmas Ice Age surprise at the nursery school of the Order of Malta



Cottbus. The younger the children and the tougher their struggles, the more little things such as colourful blankets, cuddly animals, and toys can mean to them.

difficult times and allow them to forget their illness for a brief period.

Their amazement about everything new and the care they receive from their parents and hospital staff, as well as the visits of SIXT employees help them through their

Germany, Cottbus
2014

Fun and games at the Cottbus Children's Hospital



Leipzig. This time, Santa Claus brought along a real Christmas tree on his visit to the paediatric oncology ward at Leipzig, and as they all sang "Oh Christmas Tree" together, they were so overjoyed that they almost forgot to unwrap their presents.

Germany, Leipzig, 2014
Visit to the Leipzig Children's Hospital

Stuttgart. As part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative, the employees of Stuttgart visited the Olgahospital in Stuttgart. They brought along a Sixt backpack with small gifts such as balls or toy cars for each child. Each kid also got a Christmas bag, chock-full of sweets. The children above all loved the small shop, which the Sixt employees gifted the ward, in addition to their smaller gifts.

Germany, Stuttgart
2014

Visit to the paediatric oncology ward at the Olgahospital Stuttgart



Hamburg. Five little helpers of SIXT Hamburg paid a visit to the paediatric oncology ward of the Hamburg-Eppendorf University Hospital (UKE), bringing along many gifts as well as some craft materials. The children spent three hours painting and decorating candles, chatting with the visitors about the upcoming Christmas celebration, and having a lot of fun. After they

were done with their crafts, they were overjoyed to unwrap their presents.

Germany, Hamburg
2014
Crafts at the paediatric oncology ward of the UKE

Frankfurt. The young cancer patients were delighted with their Christmas bags full of toys and candy. All the little bags were divided up and unwrapped in the blink of an eye. The shining little eyes said it all: Thank you!

Germany, Frankfurt am Main
2014
Oncology ward at the Frankfurt University Hospital



Kassel. The toy shop was a great success during the Christmas visits of the employees of SIXT Kassel. The children were overjoyed and very excited to build the toy shop together with the "Drying Little Tears" team of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. As soon as the first transactions were made by the small shop counter, some kids completely lost their cool. At the end, however, they were all proud and trying to outdo each other.

Germany, Kassel
2014
New toy shop for the Kassel Children's Hospital



Hemer. The "Central Accommodation Facility" for refugees of the state of North Rhine–Westphalia is situated in the city of Hemer in the Sauerland region, around 40 km from Dortmund. The refugee centre in Hemer is run by the Order of Malta. After the employees of SIXT Dortmund organised all the gifts and festively wrapped them in Christmas paper, the over 50 children between the ages of 3 and 16 unwrapped them

enthusiastically. The children also sang a Christmas carol to thank the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation for their visit. The joy on the faces of the children and young adults was truly touching.

Germany, Hemer
2013
Christmas visit to the Hemer Refugee Centre

Lyon. After taking a trip by boat over the Rhône river, there was another surprise awaiting the 30 young cancer patients of the Lyon Children's Hospital. The employees of SIXT Lyon organised a visit from Santa Claus, who pampered the children with bags of sweets and toys, as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. Their smiles and joy touched all.

France, Lyon
2013
Christmas visit to the oncology ward of the Lyon Children's Clinic



CHRISTMAS VISIT 2013

OF THE REGINE SIXT CHILDREN'S AID FOUNDATION



Children's hospitals of Munich. It is a long-standing tradition for SIXT employees to visit and hand out gifts to severely ill children, who are forced to spend Christmas time at the hospital, sporting creative Santa Claus and reindeer costumes, as part of the "Drying Little Tears" programme of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. They were once again feverishly awaited by the children – for example at children's hospitals in Munich, Frankfurt, Leipzig, Kassel, Rostock, Cologne, and in Lyon, France.

The SIXT employees are often treated to their own surprises first – with the children singing songs, reciting poems, and presenting their hand-crafted gifts. In Munich, SIXT employees of the corporate headquarters visited no less than four hospitals: the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital, the paediatric ward of the Klinikum Schwabing, the Klinikum Großhadern, and the Cardiology Centre. Actress Sunnyi Melles, who recited the touching story "Paul's Trip", gave all those involved a real highlight. The children listened with fascination and were delighted by the bags filled with chocolate and gingerbread and the personalised gifts.

Germany, Munich
2013
Christmas reading with Sunnyi Melles at the Klinikum Großhadern

CHRISTMAS VISITS 2012

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Munich. Regine Sixt and the employees of the SIXT headquarters in Pullach were delighted by the support of celebrities during their Christmas visits to severely ill children in hospitals across Munich. Boxing legend Henry Maske visited the children's hospitals in Großhadern and Schwabing, whereas young actor Nick Romeo Reimann, famous from the series of films "Die Vorstadtkrokodile", visited young patients at the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital. This turned the St. Nicholas event into a unique highlight for the kids.

However, local SIXT employees not only had lots of surprises in store for patients in Munich, they also made visits in Hanover, London, Berlin, Frankfurt am Main, Mannheim, Lyon, and Bucharest. The little helpers met bright and shining faces everywhere they went, bringing toys, craft materials, Christmas decorations, or lots of gingerbread with them.

Germany, Munich
2012
Christmas visit with boxing legend Henry Maske to the Großhadern Children's Hospital





Munich. Many boys who dream of becoming a boxer, might not believe their eyes when given the chance to knock out world champion and "gentleman" Henry Maske at Christmas. Together with Regine Sixt, Henry Maske now also paid the young patients of the Schwabing Children's Hospital a visit – and they almost forgot about all their other wishes. The champion was greeted at eye level, with a powerful punch on the chin by one of the little ones. Afterwards, they could enjoy lots of gifts, cuddly toys, and ginger bread treats.

Germany, Munich
2012
Christmas boxing lesson with world champion Henry Maske at the Schwabing Children's Hospital



Munich. Each year, with Christmas time upon us, Regine Sixt and the employees of the SIXT headquarters in Pullach set out to bring gifts to the little ones in the children's hospitals of Munich. Together with young actor Nick Romero Reimann, famous for his appearances in the series "Die Vorstadtkrokodile", they visited the patients at the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital.

Germany, Munich
2012
Christmas visit to the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital



Munich. Whether it's the toy BMW cars, the cuddly toys, or the Christmas songs of Saint Nicholas and his guitar: The little patients at the AtemReich House, who often struggle to breathe or are unable to move without any outside support, are as excited about the presents distributed by the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation as their parents. The visit offered a welcome distraction from daily life at AtemReich House for the employees as well, caring for the children who cannot move, breathe, or express their wishes by themselves each and every day. This makes it all the more rewarding to look into the happy eyes of the children.



Germany, Munich
2012
Christmas visit to the AtemReich House



Munich. Gifts, toys, and countless gingerbread treats virtually never fail to bring a smile to the faces of children. However, when a boxing world champion like Henry Maske personally joins Regine Sixt to visit the young patients at the Klinikum rechts der Isar, and even brings along some mini boxing gloves, they are met with boundless Christmas joy in the hallways and hospital rooms. In addition to the Christmas surprise for the little ones, their visit also served to acknowledge the work done by the specialists in the Klinikum rechts der Isar, who cover the entire spectrum of paediatric

medicine including intensive care, newborn care, oncology, and also operate a kidney centre. The team of Prof. Dr. Stefan Burdach offers children and young adults therapy of a quality which is only seen at few other centres across the globe.

Germany, Munich
2012
Christmas visit to the Klinikum rechts der Isar of the Technical University of Munich (TUM)



Hanover. Thanks to the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation and SIXT Hanover employees, the little ones at the MHH could look forward to their toys and sweets.

Germany, Hanover
2012
Christmas party at the children's hospital of the Hanover Medical School



London. Together with the star football players of Queens Park Rangers, the employees of SIXT London visited the young patients at the paediatric ward of Hillingdon Hospital for Christmas. Christmas visit with gifts and happy hours of crafts. The "Drying Little Tears" event of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation

put a smile on the faces of the young patients for the entire afternoon.

Great Britain, London
2012
**Pediatric ward
Hillingdon Hospital**



Berlin. Saint Nick brought along many gifts and craft materials to the Christmas party at the Sonnenhof Children's Hospice of the Björn Schulz Foundation in Berlin.

Germany, Berlin
2012
**St Nicholas visits the
Sonnenhof Children's
Hospice**

Frankfurt am Main. Employees of SIXT Frankfurt managed to put a twinkle in the eyes of the young patients at the Frankfurt Children's Hospital. They handed out countless gifts to the children suffering from cancer, such as Santa hats, large cuddly toys, craft materials, and gingerbread sweets, as part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation. The bags were unwrapped in the blink of an eye, and they left all the children smiling.

Germany, Frankfurt am Main
2012
**Christmas visit to the
children's hospital**



Mannheim. Together with Nurse Manager Theresia Elsäßer, the employees of SIXT Mannheim brought great joy to 40 children. Children and parents, as well as ward staff, were delighted by the little gifts in the "Drying Little Tears" bags of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation.

Germany, Mannheim
2012
**Christmas joy at the
Mannheim Children's
Hospital**

Lyon. The many gifts and sweets brought along by the employees of the paedopsychiatric service of the Bourgoin Jallieu Hospital and the SIXT Lyon employees delighted the little ones.

France, Lyon
2012
**Surprise at the Lyon
Children's Hospital**



Romania, Bucharest. Together with volunteers of the P.A.V.E.L. Association, which has been supporting children with cancer, leukaemia, and severe anaemia for over 15 years, the employees of Sixt Bucharest handed over many gifts to the little patients at the oncology ward of Prof. Dr. A. Trestioreanu. The little ones had written down their wishes for Santa Claus. "Drying Little Tears" made them come true, with the support of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation.

Romania, Bucharest
2012
**Craft hour at the
oncological
Institute Prof. Dr.
A. Trestioreanu**

CHRISTMAS VISITS 2011

OF THE REGINE SIXT
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Children's hospitals of Munich. Christmas surprise for the little ones in the children's hospitals of Munich: Regine Sixt strives to put a smile on the faces of severely ill children, and give them some care-free hours, during the weeks of Advent and Christmas as well. That's why she joined Sixt Hanover employees on their visit to the paediatric ward of the Hanover Medical School (MHH) in Hanover, and employees of Sixt Stuttgart to the Olgahospital Children's Hospital in Stuttgart. As part of the "Drying Little Tears" initiative of the Regine Sixt Children's Aid Foundation, Regine Sixt visited various Munich children's hospitals together with Saint Nick, distributing gifts.

Germany, Munich
2011

**Christmas carols with a football world champion
Andy Brehme at the Dr. von Hauner's Children's
Hospital**



She was accompanied by sporting legends Andy Brehme and Carlo Thränhardt. The "Drying Little Tears" team brought along a colourful selection of gifts for the children, including dolls, cuddly toys, model cars, and delicious sweets. Some of the children had even filled out their personal wish-list in the days before, to allow the Sixt employees to find something personal for them. The children also listened carefully to the Christmas tales read out by Saint Nick in a festive setting,

together with Carlo Thränhardt at the Klinikum Großhadern as well as Andy Brehme in the Dr. von Haunersche Children's Hospital and the Schwabing Children's Hospital.

Germany, Munich
2011

**Christmas visit with star
track and field athlete
Carlo Thränhardt to the
Klinikum Großhadern**



Germany, Munich
2011

**Christmas joy with Andy Brehme
at the Schwabing Children's Hospital**

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