

## Voluntary Activity 5

Kinderstiftung Troisdorf

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# Non governmental organization

## What do these organizations do in general?

perform a wide range of services aimed towards human wellbeing and social work towards bringing a positive change in the society

## Why are they important?

expression of civic engagement and a sign of democratic participation.

# • Who do they help?

people with financial hardship and those in need of assistance

## We took a closer look at the organization *Kinderstiftung Troisdorf*

- Since 2012, the *Kinderstiftung* Troisdorf ensures that children and young people can develop well
  - to recognize their strengths
  - to shape their lives
  - to develop into self-confident and committed young people.
- financially support families who are in need
- help young families with furniture and everything that children need
- support them with any educational matters



# We had a video-call on teams with the *Organization Kinderstiftung-Troisdorf*.



### Interview with one of the voluntary workers

When was the Kinderstiftung Troisdorf established?
March 2012

How did you come up with the idea of establishing a Kinderstiftung?

• There were several people in 2010 who wanted to support children with social needs financially

Are there people who donate regulary?

 Yes, there are about 50 people from Troisdorf, there are private citizens as well as companies donating

#### Can anyone who needs help come to you?

• the foundation only helps children from Troisdorf, the social welfare office, the job center and youth welfare office cooperate with us

#### How do people become aware of you?

 through the internet(website), newspaper articles, campaigns, presence at events such as the Christmas Markets.

#### What kind of donations do you accept?

money, donations in kind and any electronic devices

How long have you been volunteering?

• 2012, since my retirement