



NEWSLETTER

THIS IS DONA AGITO



Encourage and accompany from person to person

Through sensitive and reliable ties, we want to meet people at eye level and provide advice to help them develop their needs and abilities, recognize their value and find their way in society.

Thus, thanks to your support, in the last two years we have organized and financed personal meetings and excursions to promote integration, weekly German, math, computer and education tutoring sessions, as well as two 1:1 counselling centres, all of which serve as a platform for getting to know each other and for counselling. We accompany those seeking help with hurdles in their everyday lives, encourage them to take new steps, and network people together who can help each other. We are always available to everyone on a personal level.

Our Projects

- 5 days cycling course for women
- Weekly ProFamilia courses for women in transitional housing
- Cost absorption for German B1/B2/C1 VHS courses to the extent of the non-subsidized contributions
- As part of the "Meeting and Talking" project, we visited the Liebighaus, the Schirn, the Struwwelpeter Museum, the Goethehaus, the Heimatmuseum, the Historisches Museum Frankfurt and the Expiriminta, among others
- Open music classes for one to four year olds offered by the SCHIRN Frankfurt Music School in cooperation with KiFaz in Mainfeld

- purchase of educational literature
- Computer courses on laptops and computers donated by FREO
- Employment of mini-jobbers as tutors and translators
- Day trip to Heidelberg including a tour of the castle: On the trail of German culture and history
- Trips to the zoo, to playgrounds with picnics
- Project "Breakfast & Talk"
- Rent for personal counselling services

Our Team

At present, the students Tiam, Aryanaz, Tracy and also Bruce work regularly as German, math, education and medicine tutors or orientation course teachers. Mahbuba and Azeb, two mothers from the neighborhood, as translators. Daniel helped energetically with "Meet & Talk" and takes over technical tasks. Christiane works voluntarily as managing director, she coordinates and activates new projects.



Tiam, Medical student

„ As a German with a migration background, it is often not easy for you in your everyday life, in your studies and also in your private life. I thought to myself, if it is like this for me, who speaks German and grew up here, what must it be like for someone who had to flee here. Through my work at dona agito, I was able to use not only my knowledge of German but also my knowledge from my dental studies to help people so that they can make progress in their everyday lives and also in their education. In the process, you get to know these people, they tell you their story, and that's the reason why the work has become much more than just a job for me."

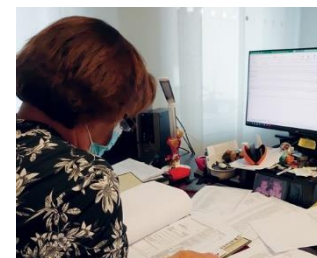


Sonia, part-time volunteer

"I chose to work at dona agito because, as an emigrant myself, I know how much support and help the people who have left their home country in search of a new perspective and a safe place need not only to arrive in Germany or another country, but also to be able to gain a foothold. I find it inspiring to have a wide variety of people around me at work. And the beauty of my work for me is that you can give a lot, but you also get an incredible amount back. I myself grew up in Iran, where I earned my Tourism Management degree (Univ.)."



Tracy tutors in German



Astrid supports us with the administration

Our "Job Placement"

We placed and accompanied refugees in internships, jobs and apprenticeships in the following areas, among others: Geriatric care, kindergarten, social pedagogy, bakery, cook, tailoring, janitorial service, hotel management, security, construction, medical-technical assistant, automotive, German Railways, patent law firm and retail.

Our Network

Rooms for courses, counselling offers and "Breakfast and Talk" are supported by the evangelical Paul Gerhardt Parish and the Catholic St. James Parish. Dona agito is part of the Migration Frankfurt network, which meets once a quarter and promotes the networking of individual actors and contributes to the exchange of experience. In various projects or circumstances, we successfully cooperate with the Musikschule Frankfurt e.V. SCHIRN, the Caritas Quartiersmanager, the KiFaZ, ProFamilia and the Bündnis für Depressionen in order to create adequate and versatile offers.

THIS MAKES DONA AGITO

Everyday companionship

As part of our open everyday support, we supervised more than 100 job application processes, from the preparation of a resume to the practice of the job interview. We also helped refugees find places in day-care centres and kindergartens, organised translators for important appointments and documents, and supported them in navigating the German health care and government systems. We also provided direct personal assistance with starting a job and moving in or out of their first apartment – by visiting job fares, arranging furniture or simply saying good night. **As a result, the number of refugees receiving direct personal support has now grown to 150.**

Advice Centres

In the rectory of Kelsterbacher Str. 39, the door is open for questions at Dona agito on Tuesdays from 1 to 3pm and on Fridays from 4 to 6pm. Otherwise, we are flexibly ready for 1:1 meetings in the city area.

Since its opening in July 2019, we have been supporting the counselling centre of Zukunft e.V at Mainzer Landstr. 376 with manpower and financing it with partial rent. It is open daily from 11am to 4pm. Due to its location near Frankfurt's Foreigners' Registration Office in the Gallus district, more than 1000 new people visited the facility in the last five months alone, while other authorities or offers of help were far more difficult to reach in person due to Corona.

With your donation you ensure that in the coming year in the same extent supporting offers for integration, for the translation of documents, for the recognition or building up courses for the choice of profession with tutoring and meetings like "Breakfast & Talking" or "Meeting & Talking" can be offered

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**Sonia and Christiane,
in the Kelsterbacher Str. 39**

Our Breakfast & Talk Organisations team

The organizing team around "Breakfast and Talking" with Alex, Ilona, Karin, Claudia and Timur, Martin and Heike, Hans, Doris, Steffi, Karen and Christiane has always been ready to help on a voluntary basis over the past years.



Hans, honorary active

"I became aware of the "Breakfast & Talk" initiative through an article in a local newspaper report. Since I was looking for a volunteer position at the time, it made me curious. The first time I was there, I was a bit lost, because I didn't know anyone, I didn't expect to meet people from the area.

The participants, including members of the organizing team, were talking animatedly and helping themselves to a delicious breakfast buffet. I first sat down and looked around, listening to the conversations. I didn't know what to expect or how to get involved. Thanks to the warm welcome of the organization team and the friendly and open-minded people with an immigrant background, I soon made friends. There were intensive, regular exchanges and I found it exciting to learn about the backgrounds of the people being cared for and the fate behind each person's life

and what help they needed to find their way in their new home, to master everyday life and to integrate in Germany. In addition to the regular meetings at

"Breakfast & Talking", I soon also took part in the weekly

"Meet and talk" to show the migrants a piece of Frankfurt. This was a lot of fun for everyone involved, it encourages people to talk in order to knowledge of the German language

and to give you an understanding of the customs and traditions in Frankfurt. For me, too, it has been a wonderful time so far with interesting encounters and new friendships."



Karin, volunteer active

"In the summer, Yordanos and Issac became proud parents for the first time. The two are from Eritrea and were among the first to join our Breakfast & Talk meeting 5 years ago. They were also always present at our excursions and activities. We accompanied Yordanos through her pregnancy and still help her with the bureaucratic matters, which are enormous, especially after the birth of the child, and also overburden many locals. For refugees, however, they are often a closed book. So it's all the nicer to see how the young parents take on responsibility and grow with the daily demands."



Alex, honorary active

„I am happy about the regular and beautiful events that we have organized together with our friends over the past four years

from many countries. Thus it is still possible to maintain many individual contacts, to offer personal help and to try together to master the various requirements regarding integration, starting with a visit to the doctor, through the search for an apartment, to the asylum procedure for family reunification. It is nice for me to use some of my free time as a pensioner for this purpose and to get to know people from other cultures. I am also grateful that there are people who support our cause financially and make it possible. "



**Timur and Claudia,
active volunteers**

They are also regular participants in "Meet & Talk" and, among other things, install kitchens in first homes of our friends, such as For example, Zeweter from Ethiopia, who lives with her young daughter.

OUR EXPERIENCES & MEMORIES



Meet & Talk at the Zoo

Dear Christiane,
I am so happy that I can soon move into the new apartment. You are an angel without you I could never find an apartment so quickly. Me and Bardun are very happy and we pray for you that you will always stay healthy and happy. You are a treasure
You are a great person we like you a lot Love greetings Mian and Bardun



Our free flea market

Hello dear Christiane.
Good evening how are you? I hope you are well, we have not met for a long time, otherwise how is your family?
I am on vacation this week, if you have time, I invite you to dinner or lunch in restaurant Eritre.
I do not forget you always remains in my heart Asmerom



Excursion to Heidelberg Castle



Excursion to palm garden



5 day cycle course for women



E-bike tour in the forest



Breakfast & Talk

Awards

In May 2018, we won the main prize of the city of Frankfurt in the category "Neighbors for Neighbors" with "Breakfast & Talk".

On April 6, 2019, we were delighted to receive the 2nd place mustard seed prize from Caritas director Mrs. Hagmans and Mrs. Iwanowsky, which we shared with the dental consultation for homeless people of the Elisabeth-Straßen-ambulanz (ESA), a Caritas service.



Ladies computer course

It was so nice with you and we were very happy that many of you joined us. See you soon! In TWO weeks it will be breakfast and speaking again.



Experimenta Museum Visit



Soup fest



WE SAY THANK YOU.

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