

PRESS INFORMATION

Guests at Friedrichstadt-Palast donate another €55,739 to "Kinderlaecheln Berlin Buch e.V."

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Kinderlaecheln e.V. assists children with cancer and their families at Berlin-Buch hospital. The association does not receive any government funding and finances all its projects exclusively through donations. The continuing support from guests at Friedrichstadt-Palast is thus appreciated all the more. The last two Christmas collections brought in a total of €146,946.

In December 2012, with energetic support from Berlin locals and out-of-town guests, a very pleasing €55,739 could be added to the previous donation amount – in just four weeks. The year before in 2011, €91,206 had been collected, but over a longer period of time.

Dr. Berndt Schmidt, the managing director of Europe's show palace, comments: "The Kinderlaecheln association provides little patients and their parents with a very kind form of assistance. Caring for critically ill children takes a lot of time and energy. The association is often short on the simplest things needed to fulfil the little requests of the chronically ill children. For that reason, we are very happy to once again see such a positive response from our guests."

The donations are used to finance therapy services, wheelchair-accessible bicycles, and activities that bring families together. But Kinderlaecheln, above all, focuses on providing its young patients with the things their hearts desire most. This helps the affected children and their parents gather new strength, so they can get through the struggles they face daily. Since the small association has no administrative costs, the children and their families receive 100 percent of all donations.

Donations account: "Kinderlaecheln-Förderverein für krebskranke Kinder Berlin-Buch e.V.," BLZ Code/Sort Code: 16050000 (Bank Name: Mittelbrandenburgische Sparkasse), Account Number: 3507002000. For additional information (in German) about the association, please visit: www.kinderlaecheln.com

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