

YOUR SUPPORT CAN HELP A LOT!



Children and youth at risk can get professional help;



The needs for food, education and love can be satisfied;



Children victims of violence and abuse can be supported and helped;



Street children will find shelter and warmth and can be protected from HIV;



Violent acting youth can become peaceful fellows;



Young drug abusers can be shown ways to live without addiction.

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**MOBILE YOUTH WORK ASSERTS ITSELF WORLD-
WIDE MORE AND MORE! WHY?**

BECAUSE MOBILE YOUTH WORK IS MORE HUMAN,
MORE EFFECTIVE AND MORE COST-SAVING THAN
DETERRENCE, PUNISHMENT AND PRISONS.

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THE SITUATION

In many countries of the world a growing number of children and youths have to live in the streets.

They have to fight for their Survival.

This is to say: They have to maintain themselves without shelter, confronted with violence and abuse; they are fighting criminalisation and threat to existence.

This tragic situation has become a reality for a constantly growing number of children and youngsters. The reasons are regionally different: political and economic change, growing poverty in families, disintegration of traditional bonds, the destruction of rural and urban environments, etc.

Social work has a special responsibility in supporting these youngsters in their living environment in their fight against exclusion: in the streets, in their housing projects and in their ghettos.

MOBILE YOUTH WORK

Mobile Youth Work is professional peace work, whereas peace is not to be seen as a state, but as an ongoing process of decreasing violence within the family, in the streets, in the clique, in the gang and within the community.

At the same time peace is a process of increasing justice in the world. Mobile Youth work considers this as its main duty. It refers the UN Convention for the rights of the child as a base and practises street work, case work, group work and community work.

Mobile Youth Workers enforce ways of self-help and bring together people and community agencies.

Mobile Youth Work is very successful and has many facets. It deals with various problems. Meetings during international congresses show that the exchange of experiences between regions, countries and continents is of great importance: work strategies can be compared and analysed according to their efficiency and regional suitability.

Mobile Youth Work, which can in the meantime be seen as a universal concept, turns out to be hope for new possibilities of life for many children and youth at-risk in the world, but it is still not practised enough. Scientifically based social area analysis will enforce a critical evaluation and continuous development of practice. Therefore the chances of prevention, intervention and stabilisation can be used more intensively.






BECAUSE OF THESE REASONS ISMO WAS FOUNDED

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR MOBILE YOUTH WORK

ISMO was established in 1992 as a result of several international congresses on Mobile Youth Work: Tübingen 1983, 1984, Esslingen 1988, Stuttgart 1991, Santiago/Chile 1994, Solothurn/Switzerland 1995, St. Petersburg/Russia 1998, Limuru/Kenia 2003 and in Stuttgart 2008 under the patronage of Federal Chancellor Dr. Angela Merkel.

ISMO GOALS ARE:

-  To make the inclusive concept of Mobile Youth Work known and start a dialogue. This is especially done in training programmes where Youth and Social Workers are being trained in the concept of Mobile Youth Work;
-  to enforce the international exchange of experience both theoretically and practically and
-  to encourage the support of local, regional, national and international networks of Mobile Youth Work.

REACHING THE UNREACHABLE