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Christian Association of Youth Villages of Germany – CJD

CJD (Christian Association of Youth Villages of Germany) is one of the **largest educational organisations** in Germany, offering every year 155,000 adolescents and young adults orientation and prospects for the future. 9,500 employees and many volunteers at over 150 locations offer support, teach training skills and provide education. The Christian concept of the human being linked with the motto **“Let no one fall by the wayside”** make up the core of our work.



Training in Secondary Schools”, CJD is working with 9th and 10th graders in its Berlin workshops who would probably not graduate without this support.

Programmes for the highly gifted as well as for school drop-outs, for young offenders on probation and follow-up work with former drug addicts: **CJD is constantly expanding its services** to also support those who otherwise don't get any help. The educational organisation has already supported millions of people in its schools, workshops, kindergartens and residential homes.

Since its inception 68 years ago CJD has always been looking for **new ways** to support people in their lives and above all to open up chances for young people as they make the transition from school to working life. This is why the organisation developed the occupational orientation year that has been an educational staple in Germany since 1967. In the successful project “Vocational

Among these people there are also well-known names such as **Olympic champion** Felix Loch (luge athlete), Maria Höfl-Riesch (skier) and Severin Freund (ski jumping), all of which attended the CJD Christophoruschule Berchtesgaden, an **elite sports school**.



The **9,500 employees** are highly dedicated and qualified for their work and attend regular **training courses** to deal with the challenges of social work.

Their work is based on the Christian view of humanity from which CJD derives an educational approach that involves the whole person. The people putting their trust in CJD are not only to obtain good prospects for their scholastic and professional career, but also to be able to **develop their personalities**. Religious education, physical and health education, musical as well as political educations therefore nurture the body, mind and soul. These basic skills are not only developed for recreation, but primarily to help young people become fit for life.

The range of CJD services encompasses:

- elementary education and family education
- academic education
- child, youth and family assistance
- vocational training
- health and rehabilitation
- work and activities
- housing and care services



CJD was founded in 1947 at the initiative of Pastor Arnold Dannenmann to give young people, who had lost any sense of direction after the war, a chance for a new life.

For more information go to www.creating-opportunity.com



Das CJD bietet jährlich 155.000 jungen und erwachsenen Menschen Orientierung und Zukunftschancen. Sie werden von 9.500 hauptamtlichen und vielen ehrenamtlichen Mitarbeitenden an über 150 Standorten gefördert, begleitet und ausgebildet. Grundlage ist das christliche Menschenbild mit der Vision „Keiner darf verloren gehen!“.

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