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Many thanks for all the support in 2011!

Dear sponsors:

Thank you very much for your support in the year 2011!

We can look back at a successful year, during which we worked together with 120 children and adolescents. We are grateful that we were able to develop a fresh perspective for their lives, thanks to your support.

In July 2011 the first dormitory of our girls' project was opened in Hebron. Ten more girls found a new home there, can go to school and thus create a basis for their future. Our Girls Curriculum is completed to the point where we can start with educational sessions. Individual Care Plans have been compiled for several children and will be developed further throughout 2012.

In our street work department we were also able to reach all our goals. During most months we were in contact with up to 200 children.

Thanks to internal surveys and respective analysis, reflections and revisions, we were able to improve the quality of our work in various departments.

Again thank you so much in the name of all children, adolescents and staff.



Daniela Rüdüsüli Sodjah



Amon Kotey

**The vision of
Chance for Children:**

**Street children in Accra
shall get a chance to
take their lives into
their own hands by
receiving love and
support as well as
scholar and
professional training.**

Overview of our work

Drop-In Centre in James Town

Opened in November 2008, our Drop-In Centre each day provides up to 40 street children with the opportunity to take a break from the daily struggles of life on the street. They receive a warm meal, medical and psychological care and the chance to attend educational and technical workshops. That way we can support the street children on-site and develop short- and long-term perspectives with them.

Children supported in families

CFC supports up to 20 children within their original families. The families receive financial aid and are being accompanied by a social worker.

Girls Group Home in James Town

Since November 2009 we can provide a supervised living arrangement for ten former street children. These girls visit public schools or receive professional training.

Dormitory for boys and girls in Hebron

At the moment there are 30 boys living at the boys' dormitory, opened in 2002 in Hebron (about one hour drive from Accra). Since July 2011 there are 10 girls staying at the girls' dormitory, which is situated right behind the boys' facility. In late February 2011 the construction for another residential building has begun, which can provide living space for another ten girls starting June 2012. As members of a community the boys and girls learn to take on responsibility for their actions and attend schools in neighbouring villages.

Adolescents attending professional training

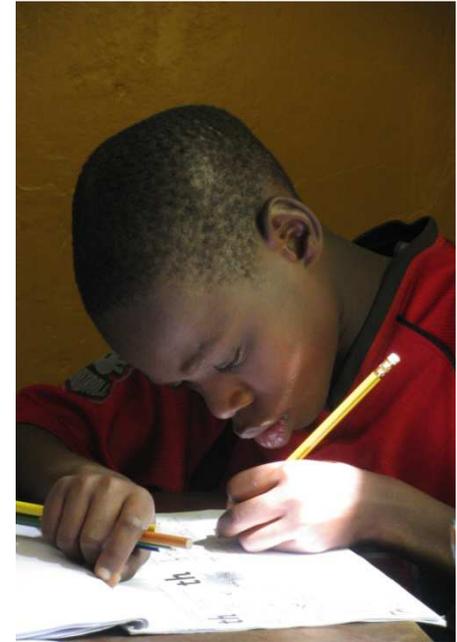
Young adults, who have completed the obligatory schooling, are attending professional training programmes or secondary schools. They are being visited regularly at their shared housing arrangements or dorms by CFC social workers and thus accompanied on their way to independence.

Workshop

The children and adolescents are attending various handcrafts- and practical-workshops. In producing batik cloths, cards or jewellery, they can develop manual talents.

Facts and figures

- Our street workers were in contact with around **200 children** per month.
- Approximately **180 children** were able to benefit from our **offers at the Drop-In Centre** throughout the year.
- **11 additional girls** were able to **find a new home** through CFC.
- 1 girl was with us temporarily before being reintegrated with her family.
- 1 girl was supported within her family and moved into our shared living arrangement for girls.
- **10 boys** were able to find a home in Hebron. We supported 2 boys in their families and took them into our house in Hebron for a while.
- **4 adolescents** have completed their professional training during the year.
- **3 boys and girls** started their professional training.



Street work

Street work remains our core focus. The point is to establish a first contact to the children on the street and build a trustworthy relationship, so that they feel accepted and through this acceptance motivated to reflect on their lives and develop a fresh perspective.

The Census Study, which was carried out and presented by Social Welfare and three major NGOs in 2011, finds that there are over 61,000 street children between the ages 1 and 8 living on the streets of Greater Accra Region. 57% of them are girls and 43% boys. Unfortunately the number of children living on the streets has increased significantly throughout the past ten years and underlines the necessity for directed intervention.

In 2011 we have continued our street work efforts similarly to the year 2010. The children were again divided into three different levels: new cases, binding-phase and trial-stage. Depending on their specific evaluation they are then either being reintegrated, referred to the Drop-In Centre or to other NGOs.

What's new:

- Focus on working with girls
- 200 direct contacts with street children during many months
- Two-months workshops on various topics for street children at Drop-In Centre
- Focal point on building trustworthy relationships with the children with an invitation to the Drop-In Centre and thus continuous evaluations



Drop-In Centre

Until the end of the year 40 children per day and overall 180 children were able to benefit from our offers.

The children were able to

- escape from the struggles of street life for a few hours,
- take a shower and wash their clothes with clean water,
- have a nutritious meal per day,
- attend English- and math-classes,
- receive training in first aid, handcraft, religion, health,
- play with peers in a stress-free environment,
- talk to somebody confidentially and gain a fresh perspective on life.

In addition we were able to implement 2 to 4 family evaluations per month, which consist of visits to the families with the children, rebuilding and strengthening relationships.

Throughout the year we had

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| • New children: | 141 |
| • Referred to us from the street work dept.: | 54 |
| • Coming to us directly from the street: | 87 |
| • Not returning children: | 57 |
| • Boys into the Hebron house: | 6 |
| • Girls into the house/shared living: | 11 |
| • Supported in families: | 3 |



Girls Group Home in James Town

- **Our shared living arrangement for girls has been existing for two years.** We are proud that in 2011 another ten girls were able to find a home here with us.
- Due to the opening of the girls' dormitory in Hebron in July, we were able to re-evaluate the composition of the group within the shared living arrangement and decided to move 3 girls into the house in Hebron. These girls benefitted greatly from their move away from their familiar environment.
- One girl has completed her 9 years of basic schooling and started attending a SHS programme. Another girl is in her last year of training to become a caterer.
- The other 8 girls all attended primary schools.

We worked on **improving the quality** of the following areas for both girls housing projects:

- Specific educational units from the newly developed Girls Curriculum
- Practical lessons for our social workers
- Introduction of a new health concept in collaboration with public health centres, vaccinations and their logging
- Training for the house keepers
- Collaboration with parents based on the individual Care Plans
- A committee is working on a special **Girls Curriculum**, so that we can address the specific needs of girls more adequately in order to accompany them on their way to become responsible young women.



Girls' and boys' home in Hebron

Until the end of 2011 we had 30 boys living in our boys' dormitory in Hebron and 11 girls at the girls' building.

- 10 boys found a home with us and continued with their school careers. Prior to that they all lived on the streets and visited the Drop-In Centre for a few months. Our family evaluation reports indicated that they needed a place to stay.
- 1 boy moved out and is living with his mother and siblings in a flat in Nsawam again. His brother needed a hygienic environment after surgery and has moved in with us.
- 11 girls have been staying at the newly constructed girls' house since July and are enjoying their home, the various courses and the weekend activities such as religion, sports, arts, design, dance, games, science...
- The individual Care Plans were continued for each child.
- Our social workers are working on different topics with the children, depending on their respective age.
- In the end of 2011 we have established a new system both with the girls and the boys, where the house keepers are staying with the children around the clock and are being assisted by social workers.



Youth Department

13 adolescents were supported and accompanied by CFC

- 3 boys started with their Senior High School education
- 1 boy is attending an art school
- 5 adolescents are pursuing their professional trainings or apprenticeships (1 carpenter, 3 electricians, 1 air condition technician)
- 4 young men completed their training in the following fields and are now standing on their own two feet: electrician, sanitary engineer, computer technician and High School degree
- During the course of the year the adolescents were visited by our social workers in their shared living arrangements, their schools and their workplaces. They were accompanied through monthly meetings and individual talks. Some of them were doing very well and they needed only little support, others demanded more attention and faced several difficulties. For all of our adolescents it is quite challenging to handle freedom, money, social contacts and other surrounding influences.
- We invite our adolescents into our houses to social events and when help is needed. We include them into the organisation so they feel as an important part of the CFC family and so they can take on responsibilities.



Children reunited

- It is an important goal for us to reintegrate children back into their original families or to incorporate them into host families and accompany them there.
- We support families so that they can take care of their children and to prevent further escapes onto the street.
- 15 children are being supported financially within their families as well as attended by social workers. Six of them are supported in Sandema (in the north) and the rest of them in the Greater Accra Region. Two families are being supported as a whole, which means that we help their parents in building simple sales booths so that they can make some money to take on responsibility for their children themselves.
- The social worker in charge keeps track of when and how often the children are being visited in their families and what type of support is granted.
- Additionally we meet the families and examine their strengths and potential for improvement.



30 young men and women have graduated

Since the official founding of Chance for Children in 1999 **30 young men and women** were able to celebrate their graduation and are now standing on their own two feet again.

We try to stay in contact with each one of them and have completed another analysis of their current situation in December 2011. We were very pleased to learn that **29** of them can take care of themselves financially and lead responsible lives. One young man is back on the streets and we are trying to get in touch with him again in order to accompany him on his rocky path.

A poll in December has given us the following insights about our CFC alumni:

- 25 % are married
- 29 % have children
- 58 % are employed
- 33 % work independently
- 54 % work in the field that they learned through the support of CFC
- 46 % work in another field
- 18 % are employed by “Chance for Children”



Production and sales

The aim of manufacturing our products and their sales is to enable the children to learn traditional local skills, improve their ability to work within a structured organisation and furthermore contribute to generate a joint income.

In the year 2011 we were able to increase the output of handcrafted products by analysing and optimising several steps of the process.

It was also important for us to reflect carefully, which production processes are suited for the children and which ones aren't. Thus we have reduced the number of items offered and are now more focussed on the quality. This means specifically that we have improved the packaging and labelling of the products.

The workgroup Products Switzerland (headed by Barbara Limberger) was able to reorganise and enhance the distribution of the products. That way we managed to sell our beads products in additional stores throughout Switzerland.

We also noticed that it is vital to set clear limits in terms of how much we can produce so that our focal point remains on voluntary work provided by the children.



Many thanks for your support throughout the year 2011!

Dear donor, dear CFC friends,

in the name of CFC I would like to thank you dearly for your kind support and generous donations and ideas in the year 2011. We are very grateful that not least thanks to your support, Daniela, Amon and their team consisting of 30 staff members were able to help 120 children!

I visited Ghana for the first time in 1999. I can remember these two weeks quite vividly, during which I was fortunate to spend time with B, E, K and K, the first “CFC children” about four times a week alongside Daniela and Amon. All four of them still lived on the streets back then and slowly got acquainted to a regular daily routine. We spent many hours together reading, studying and playing. The highlight for all of us was playing football together.

Through the years I continued to ask about the well-being of “my four boys” and was always delighted to hear about their progress. When I returned to Ghana two years ago, it was deeply touching to see those four boys again:

- B. has completed High School education and is now a soldier in the Ghanaian military – a very stable and highly respected employer.
- E. studied social work and is now employed by CFC. He is married to a German woman, whom he met through CFC.
- K. has completed an apprenticeship as a car mechanic. He is the only one who has not quite found his way yet and is getting by with temporary jobs
- K. graduated with a diploma in human resources and tourism and has started his own business, trading electronic goods such as mobile phones.

All four of them are strongly connected with CFC still and visit the organisation from time to time. By now they are grown men and I was deeply moved by how wonderfully they have developed (even though I had to experience this immense development on the football field as well... 😊)

I want to thank all of you for enabling these four boys (and by now more than 100 other children and adolescents) to develop in such a great and positive way!

With kindest regards

Roger Rüdüsüli (President of Chance for Children)

Public relations Switzerland

The year 2011 was the European year of voluntary work.

Chance for Children, too, benefits greatly from people volunteering their time and abilities. They actively support the street children in Ghana by presenting the work of CFC and by helping to generate donations.

The CFC Friends group consists of ten women, who are strongly tied to the Chance for Children organisation. Last year the CFC Friends were able to sensitise numerous people on smaller and bigger events for the situation of the street children in Accra while informing them about CFC's work.

As the director of CFC Friends I dearly thank all voluntary helpers for their valuable commitment, which they have made for Chance for Children and thus for the street children in Ghana!

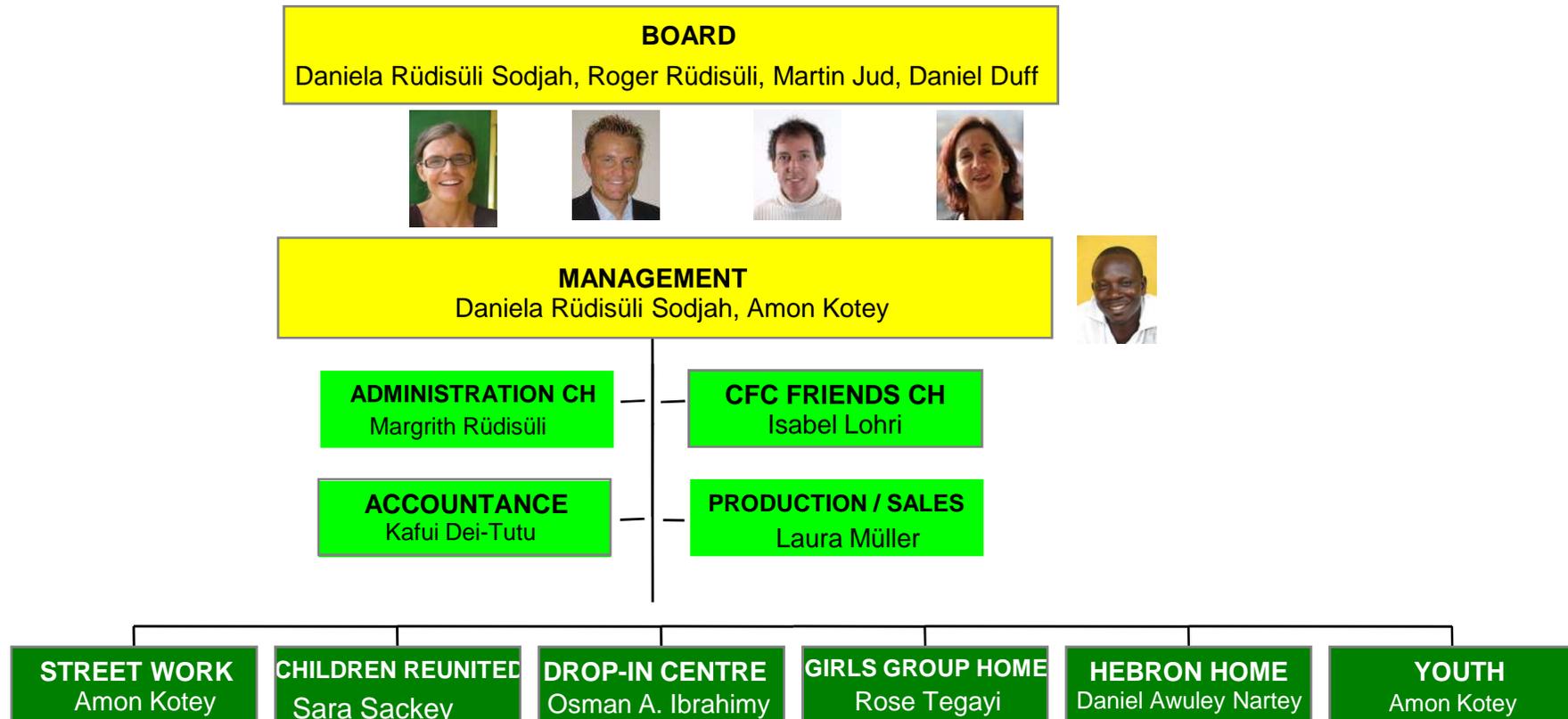
Isabel Lohri-Lukunic,
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Organisation

„Chance for Children“ is an international NGO (non-governmental organisation) according to Ghanaian law and a charitable organisation according to Swiss law. Both founders, Amon Kotey and Daniela Rüdüsüli Sodjah manage the project. In compliance with Ghanaian authorities, an external accountant examines all financial matters.

Chance for Children Organisational Structure December 2011



Overview of finances

Income:

- Chance for Children is being financially supported by more than 2,000 individuals, churches, schools, associations and companies. Donors reside primarily in Switzerland and Liechtenstein, but there are also donors from Austria, Germany, Ghana, France, Canada and the United States.
- Donations in 2011 summed up to 482,294, not as high as in our record year 2010 but when taking into account the economy, a very solid result.
- Kids and youth of CFC were able to contribute almost CHF 18,000 by producing as well as selling cards, fabric and other goods. This also includes the income generated through presenting workshops.
- Donations in Q1 2012 were higher than in the first quarter of 2011 – we are hoping that this trend continues for the remainder of the year.

Expenses

- Total expenses in 2011 were CHF 351,000. This is 10% higher than in 2010 and is driven by the higher number of children that we take care of and the extension of CFC's offering (e.g., Girls Group Home in James Town).
- 90% of the expenses are directly benefitting CFC's children and youth. These are expenses for school fees, food, clothes, care taking, transportation as well as accommodation for the children.
- The current expenses for the 80 children are about CHF 351,000 that means about CHF 4,398 per child

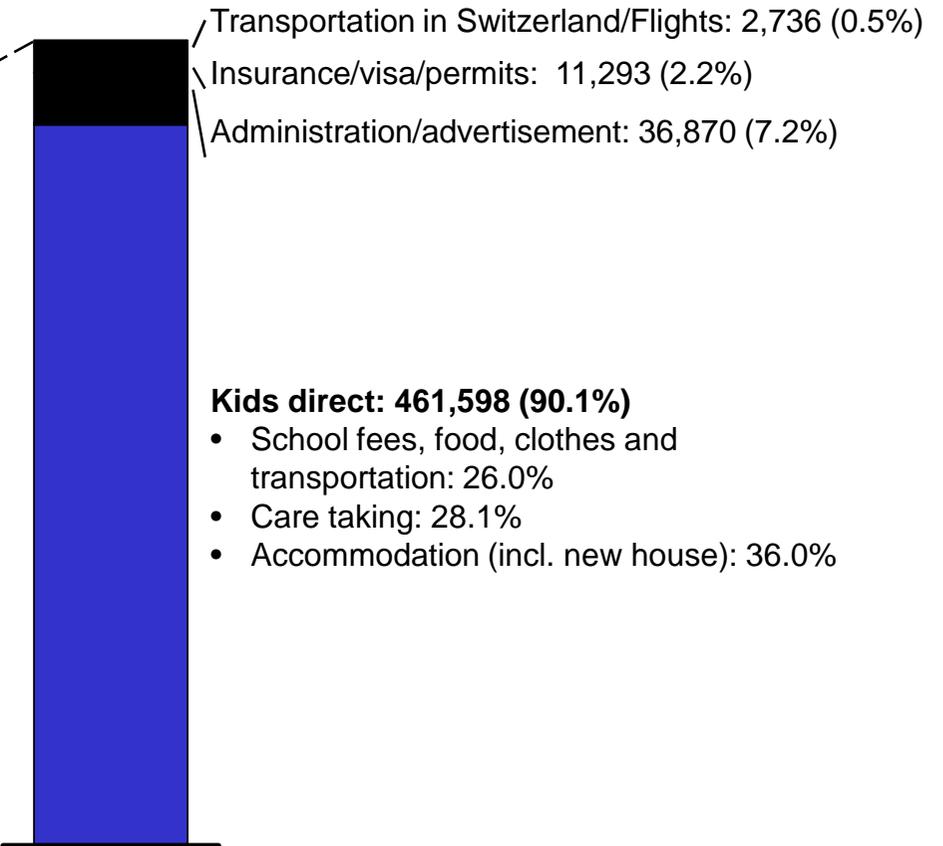
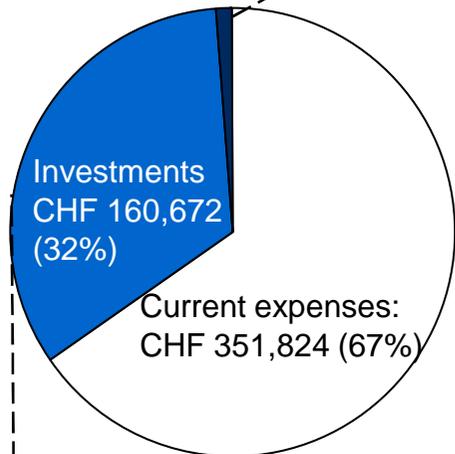
Reserves

- With the building of a new Girl's House in Hebron the reserves decreased slightly. The new house was financed with donations from 2011 and reserves built over the previous years.
- The management and staff of CFC are very much aware of the long-term responsibility for its children. For that reason it was a major goal for CFC to build up some reserves. Chance for Children was able to increase its reserves by almost CHF 782,458.– in 2011.

Expenses 2011

Swiss Franc from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011

Total expenses:	523,353
▪ Current expenses:	351,824
▪ Expenses for goods sold, cards, workshops	10,856
▪ Investments:	160,672



- Kids direct: 461,598 (90.1%)**
- School fees, food, clothes and transportation: 26.0%
 - Care taking: 28.1%
 - Accommodation (incl. new house): 36.0%

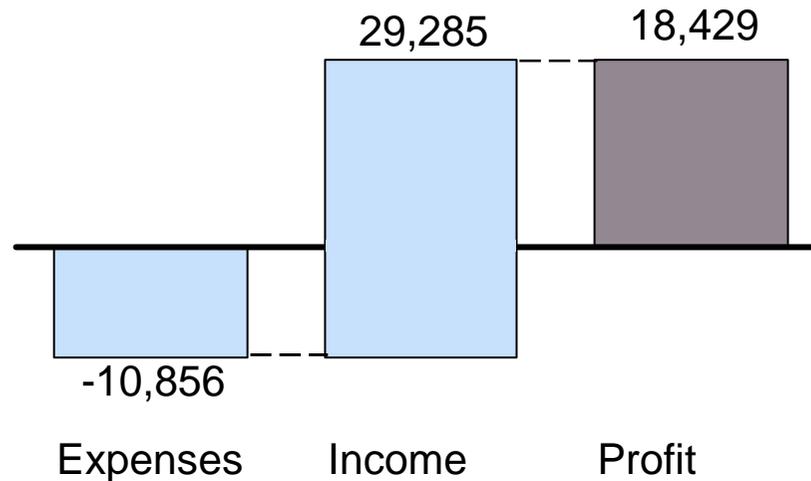
- **New Girl's House in Hebron was built in 2011**
- **The current expenses for the 80 children are about CHF 351,000 that means about CHF 4,398 per child**

- **The children and youth of CFC benefit directly of 90% of the expenses**
- **These are expenses for the school fees, food, clothes, care taking, transportation as well as accommodation for the kids**

Sales 2011

Swiss Francs from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011

CFC Sales and workshops



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Audit Report for Swiss Bookings 2011 (Original document in German)

Als Revisoren haben wir die Buchführung und die Jahresrechnung der Chance for Children für das am 31. Dezember 2011 abgeschlossene Geschäftsjahr geprüft.

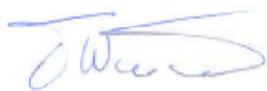
Für die Jahresrechnung ist unser CFO Mac Bernet verantwortlich, während unsere Aufgabe darin besteht, diese zu prüfen und zu beurteilen.

Unsere Prüfung erfolgte nach anerkannten Grundsätzen, wonach eine Prüfung so zu planen und durchzuführen ist, dass wesentliche Fehlaussagen in der Jahresrechnung mit angemessener Sicherheit erkannt werden. Wir prüften die Posten und Angaben der Jahresrechnung 2011 mittels Analysen und Erhebungen auf der Basis von Stichproben. Ferner beurteilten wir die Anwendung der massgebenden Rechnungslegungsgrundsätze und die Darstellung der Jahresrechnung als Ganzes. Wir sind der Auffassung, dass die Prüfung eine ausreichende Grundlage für unser Urteil bildet.

Gemäss unserer Beurteilung erfolgte die Buchführung und die Darstellung der Jahresrechnung ordnungsgemäss. Daher empfehlen wir der Versammlung, die vorliegende Jahresrechnung 2011 zu genehmigen.

Wilten, 2.5.2012

Die Revisoren



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Goals for 2012

- We want to improve the quality in all the departments and reflect the efficiency of our work.
- We want to improve the interdepartmental communication and co-work.
- We want to ensure that the homes are used to their full capacity, so that we can give many children a new perspective for their lives.
- We want to build the second chalet for the girls and become the new home and family for 10 more girls.
- We want to support 20 children in their families.

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Thank you for your support!

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