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STEP-G donates to charity Kinderschutzbund MSH e.V.

For many years, the staff and companies in the STEP-G group have been making donations to social and charity organisations in the regions of the companies' locations. This year, ST Extruded Products Group (STEP-G) is supporting the Tiegel Children's House in Hettstedt, which is run by Kinderschutzbund MSH e.V.

For a number of years, the staff at STEP-G have been collecting donations at company celebrations. They collect money or material donations which then go to social or charity organisations that support local people in need. Every possible way of raising funds has been included, from lotteries of the company's own give-aways and suppliers' gifts to material donations to in-house sales of pre-owned objects. Even the smallest contributions make a difference. The campaign always focuses on a regional social or charity organisation.

This year STEP-G chose to back the Tiegel Children's House in Hettstedt with material donations. The donated items will be used as prizes in the lottery planned for the organisation's summer party. Items to a value of several hundred euros were collected and handed over to the charity Kinderschutzbund MSH e. V. by Markus Backmann, Plant Manager of STEP-G Bitterfeld and Hettstedt, and Andrea Borrmann, a member of the STEP-G works council.

Elke Hickel, Head of support programmes for schools, and Anja Libeau, Head of the facility in Hettstedt, are delighted to receive the generous donation from the STEP-G Group. Anja Libeau explains: "The focus of our work at the Tiegel Children's House in Hettstedt is defending children's rights. We want to help children grow up in an environment that benefits their development. Part of that is offering families uncomplicated, fast support and lowering barriers that might stop them seeking help."

The charity provides advice for children, young people and families. It also has a multi-generational approach and offers help with education. Apart from this support, Kinderschutzbund also runs a varied range of prevention projects that promote awareness in society that can help protect child welfare and children's rights as well as improve the living conditions of children and families.

Andrea Borrmann of the STEP-G works council emphasises: “As a major employer in the region, we take our social responsibility for the wellbeing of our STEP-G employees seriously. This is an ongoing task.” It’s important to everybody involved to support and help local people in need with either financial or material means. “And it’s not just about recognising our basic social responsibility. Our hearts and minds really are behind these efforts.” “We believe this regional support makes an important impact. Every time, we’re delighted with how generously our staff donate to good causes. It’s all down to our employees’ willingness to help that we’re able to support important charity and social facilities like the Tiegel Children’s House in Hettstedt”, says Markus Backmann.



The handover of gifts for the lottery is a very special moment. (left to right): Markus Backmann, Plant Manager STEP-G Bitterfeld and Hettstedt, Elke Hickel, member of the charity Der Kinderschutzbund MSH e.V., Andrea Borrmann, member of the works council of STEP-G, Anja Libeau, member of the charity Der Kinderschutzbund MSH e.V. // © STEP-G

The company at a glance

ST Extruded Products Group, or STEP-G, is one of the world's leading producers of extruded aluminium profiles. With production sites in Germany, Belgium and China, STEP-G is a multinational company. The three German press plants in Bitterfeld, Bonn and Vogt are highly specialised and offer a comprehensive range of extruded profiles and bars. The automotive industry and its direct suppliers rely on the company's innovative quality. Other customers are in the aerospace, rail, and mechanical and electrical engineering industries as well as the construction sector. Completing the portfolio are various forms of processing through to component manufacturing. The foundry in Hettstedt with a comprehensive range of standard and special alloys provides reliable technology and consistent availability from one source.

From the company's foundation to the present day

In 1915, the first German factory was opened in Bitterfeld. It was followed in 1921 by the German plant in Bonn, in 1946 by the plant in Duffel, Belgium, and in 1952 by another German plant in Vogt. In 2000, the Chinese plant in Tianjin was commissioned. In 2006, Aleris International Inc. acquired the plants of Corus Aluminium. On 1 March 2015, the Aleris aluminium extrusion operations transferred to the Japanese company Sankyo Tateyama, Inc., a manufacturer of extruded and cast products. In 2019, the foundry in Hettstedt was incorporated into the STEP-G group.

More information is available at www.step-g.com and www.bug.de.