

**Förderverein Girassol e. V.  
Kinder-, Berufsbildungs- und  
Sozialzentrum**

Patron:

The Mayor of the City of Hilden  
Birgit Alkenings



***We are giving children a future. And we need your help too!***  
***„The shortest path out of poverty is the path to school“***

Founded in 1992 by Angelika Pohlmann in the middle of a huge „favela“ in Grajaú/São Paulo (Brazil), **SBA GIRASSOL Kids/Pro** offers 75 3-6 year olds day care in a Kindergarten as well as part-time care for the children who began their education in our Kindergarten but are now of school age. We also give around 250 young people from the area the chance to obtain a professional qualification. The teenagers can choose between courses in tailoring, electronics, baking, beauty care, administration and auxiliary nursing.

**GIRASSOL** is a flagship project that helps give countless children and young people (and hence their families as well) a perspective for the future and the opportunity to break out of the poverty and chaos of the „favelas“. The key to all of this is education!

All of the Kindergarten and vocational training places at **GIRASSOL** are free to the children and young people involved. Since its founding 27 years ago, some 30 full-time positions are now necessary to enable it to function properly, meaning **GIRASSOL** costs around 35.000 Euro per month to run and every cent of this is provided by private donations!

The **Förderverein (Support Association) Girassol e. V.** guarantees that 100% of the money donated in Germany arrives in Brazil to the benefit of **GIRASSOL**. The Support Association is recognised as a charitable institution by the regional tax office. Please find more information at: <https://www.projekt-girassol.de>

Please support us with your donation and, through education and learning, help us provide children and young people in São Paulo with a path to a more positive future!



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