

The Diakonie in your vicinity

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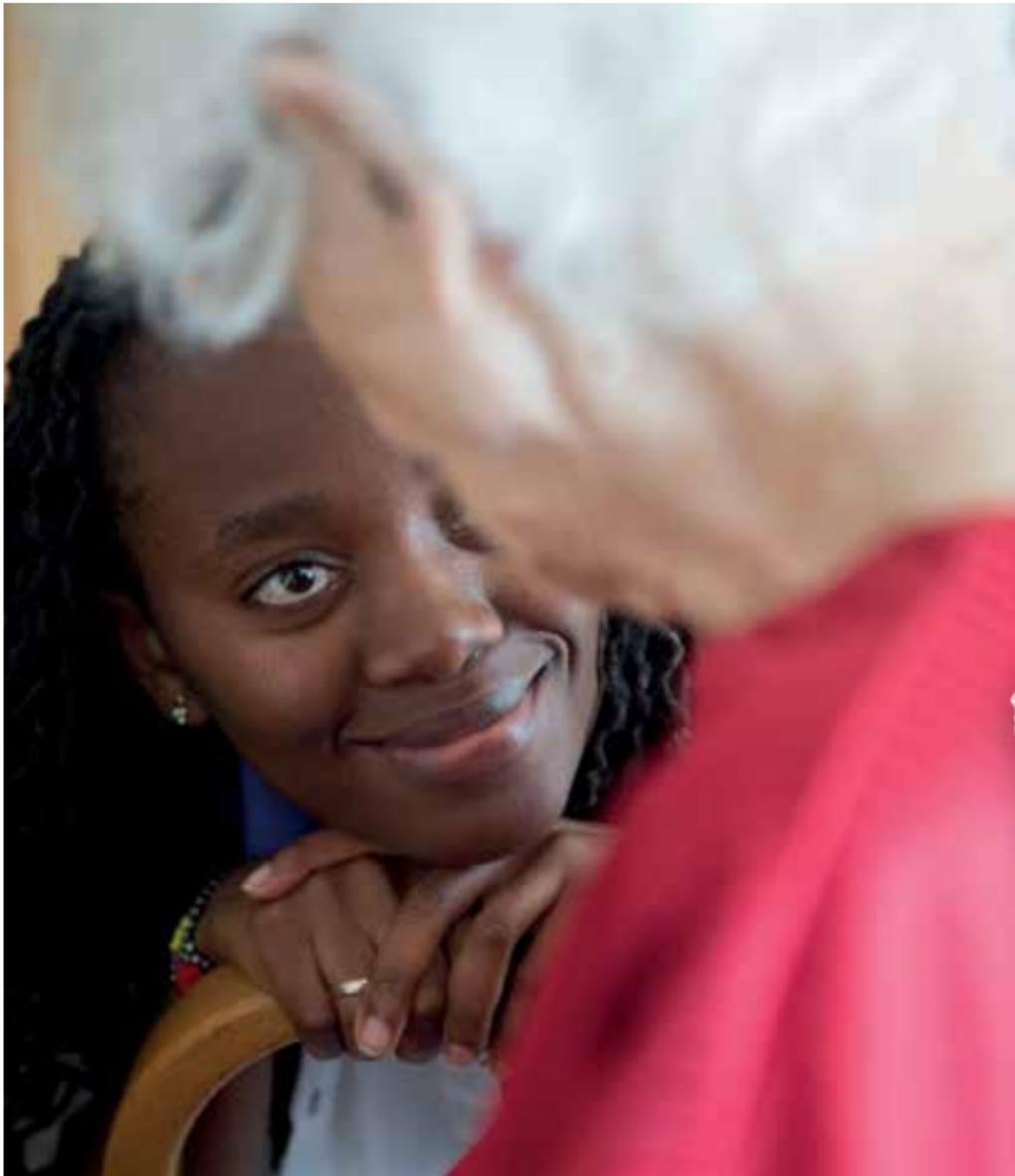
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What is the Diakonie?

The Diakonie is the social work branch of the Lutheran churches, and it helps young and old people as well as those who have come as refugees to Germany from other countries.

It is an organization that exists in practically all locations in Germany. The Diakonie disaster relief even helps abroad – in countries that have been affected by natural disasters or war.



Who works for the Diakonie?

More than 400,000 people work for the Diakonie in Germany, and in Bavaria almost 90,000: for example carers and nurses, child care workers, advisors, social workers and psychologists amongst many others.

Most of them are paid for their work. However here are also many people who work voluntarily for the Diakonie. No matter whether they are men or women – in the Diakonie people of both sexes work together at an equal level in all functions.



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The Diakonie and religion

The Diakonie's doors are open to all – even to people of other religions. The Diakonie's activities are based on the Christian faith in the Bible – the Old and New Testament – and on Jesus Christ and his word and deeds. This doesn't mean one has to believe in Jesus Christ to ask the Diakonie for help. But it does mean that the people who work for the Diakonie orientate themselves on this faith and are often practicing Christians themselves. They treat members of other religions with interest and respect, however. Respect and appreciation for the other person is a central value of the Diakonie and is reflected in their work.



What does the Diakonie do?

The Diakonie helps people who need support. It does this at information centres, but particularly in special facilities such as old people's homes, homes for young people etc. It helps people to take charge of their own lives. This is why it helps with advice and support and less frequently with money or donations. It is also active politically for people, for example by talking to politicians or the media, the newspapers and television stations in Germany.

Who does the Diakonie help?

The Diakonie is available for all: for children and young people, for the handicapped, the unemployed, for refugees, for families, for old people who can no longer live alone. Everyone can come to the Diakonie for help. Age, sex or religion is irrelevant.

Does it cost anything to receive help from the Diakonie?

No. It is very seldom for people who ask the Diakonie for support to have to pay anything themselves. Most of the Diakonie's services are paid for by the government and the various insurances in Germany. For the Diakonie's staff, buildings and vehicles naturally have to be paid for.

But the church also pays some of the costs. And any Diakonie facility is also glad of a donation.