



In Germany, more than 130.000 children a year witness their parents' divorce or separation. According to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and to German family law, every child has the right to a personal relations and direct contacts with both parents. But the child's legal claim often turns into a mere theoretic scheme once the parents live in different places. Many children grow up with only one parent because the non-resident parent cannot afford the regular monthly expenses for travel and accommodation. Our initiative alleviates the financial burden and makes sure that children stay connected with both parents, however big the geographic distance or however difficult the financial situation might be.

Our initiative aims to help non-resident fathers and mothers by providing the following support services:

- ✓ **free accommodation in private homes** for non-resident parents who regularly visit their children **across Germany**
- ✓ **free temporary play rooms** in private homes, nursery schools and family centres, where children can spend quality time with their visiting moms or dads in a consumption-free environment - almost like at home!
- ✓ our **parent counselling** for non-resident parents offers a range of pedagogic impulses and hands-on-advice and professional coaching.

Key Performance Indicators (as of 2021)

Since 2012, we have connected 1.520 parents with volunteering hosts and have paved the way for 17.200 parent-child-encounters for a total of 2.120 children.

1.884
volunteering hosts

308
users per month

1.633
registered fathers and mothers

Awards

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| 2021 | Zugabe-Preis awarded by the Körber Foundation to our founder Annette Habert | 2020 | winner of the SPIEGEL Social Design Award (audience award) |
| 2018 | Franziska Giffey, former Federal Minister for Family Affairs becomes official patron | 2017 | laureate „Ausgezeichnete Orte im Land der Ideen“ |
| 2014 | Fellowship for Annette Habert in Ashoka's worldwide Network of Social Entrepreneurs | 2011 | laureate at startsocial e.V. |

About us

Flechtwerk 2+1, a non-profit organization founded in 2012 in Munich, owns the initiative *Die Familienhandwerker*, formerly known as *Mein Papa kommt* and *Meine Mama kommt*. Annette Habert is founder and CEO on an honorary basis.