

Press release

Load and Help 2021: Download the Office suite and PDF editor free of charge and SoftMaker will make a donation for each download.

December 14, 2021 – The German software company SoftMaker is launching its "Load and Help" fundraising campaign again in 2021. Users will not have to donate personally, as SoftMaker will make the donations. For each free software download of FreeOffice 2021 and FreePDF 2019, SoftMaker will donate 10 cents to charity projects. SoftMaker is not only providing the free Office suite FreeOffice 2021 as part of the campaign, it is also offering the PDF editor FreePDF 2019 free of charge.

In summary:

- The German software company SoftMaker is launching its "Load and Help" fundraising campaign again today.
- During the campaign, SoftMaker will donate 10 cents to selected charity projects for each free software download.
- This year, the Office suite FreeOffice 2021 and the PDF editor FreePDF 2019 will be available to download free of charge.

Previous donations from the "Load and Help" campaign were already used to assist numerous charity projects – including the training of nurses in India, assistance for the homeless in Germany, school projects in Africa and many other projects. Around €44,000 (US\$50,000) in total has been raised in donations in recent years.

Everyone will have the opportunity again this year to do something good with just one click – without donating themselves: For each download of the free software, SoftMaker will donate 10 cents to selected charity projects.

The following programs will be available to download free of charge this year:

FreeOffice 2021 is available for Windows, Mac and Linux. It offers the full functionality of a modern Office suite and includes the word processing software TextMaker, the spreadsheet software PlanMaker and Presentations for creating slide shows. The software is seamlessly compatible with Microsoft Office due to its native support for Microsoft DOCX, XLSX and PPTX file formats.

FreePDF 2019 is the free version of the PDF editor FlexiPDF from SoftMaker. FreePDF enables users to convert PDF files as desired, thus pages can be deleted, rearranged or inserted from other PDFs. Pictures and drawings can be inserted into PDF documents; text and picture elements can also be rearranged or removed. Last but not least, FreePDF is a powerful tool for viewing and annotating PDF documents and provides the option of creating PDF files from any Windows program with the integrated PDF printer.

The "Load and Help" campaign will start today and end on Christmas Eve. The latest number of downloads, the resulting donation amount and the funded projects will always be transparently displayed on the website <u>www.loadandhelp.com</u>.

About SoftMaker

Since its foundation in 1987, SoftMaker has been developing Office software: word processing software (TextMaker), spreadsheet software (PlanMaker), presentation graphics (SoftMaker Presentations) and database software (DataMaker). The "flagship product" SoftMaker Office is available for Windows, Mac, Linux and Google Android. The outstanding features of SoftMaker software are ease of use, enormous compatibility with Microsoft Office and speed – these features coupled with fair prices constitute an unbeatable combination. SoftMaker's second productivity application is FlexiPDF, a PDF editor that makes editing PDF files as easy as working with a word processor. FlexiPDF offers the full functionality of a high-end PDF editing solution but without the high price. High-quality computer fonts constitute SoftMaker's third mainstay. The two product lines MegaFont and infiniType enable general end users as well as professional designers, printers and publishers to obtain font libraries of the highest quality.

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