



EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS

IN IOANNINA, GREECE

For EU citizens aged 18-30

2 months: **1st of September- 30th of October 2019**

1st of November- 30th of December 2019



Volunteer
at festivals!

Do activities
**WITH REFUGEE
CHILDREN**

*Assist
international
projects*



THE HOSTING ORGANIZATION YOUTH CENTER OF EPIRUS

Youth Center of Epirus is a nonprofit, non-governmental youth organization in Ioannina, Epirus region of Greece. The organization is active since 2011 and its main aims are to improve environment, promote coexistence and to develop the region of Epirus. Therefore, YCE organizes and implements local, regional and international level events/ projects, regarding to non-formal education on various topics like environment, LGBTQ issues, social inclusion, human rights, volunteerism, refugee integration and policies, health and wellbeing, EU awareness, cultural awareness and others.

Our volunteers and youth workers offer leisure and educational activities to local youngsters and young adults. At the youth center volunteers offer various courses and workshops, informative events and various leisure time activities. YCE runs a web channel for the local youth, organizes several annual actions such as environmental actions, festivals, celebrations and informative actions for EU and other community events. YCE organizes and participates in international educational projects such as youth exchanges, training courses, seminars and research projects.

Since 2016, our volunteers work at several asylum seeker accommodation centers to ensure a better stay of the children by providing recreational activities and psycho-social monitoring.

Since January of 2018, YCE host Europe Direct of Epirus office and is more involved with EU topics, promotions and informative community events.

EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS 2 MONTHS PROGRAMS

Youth Center of Epirus would like to host volunteers from EU countries during our ESC project “Impact on local community of Ioannina”. The project will host in total 15 volunteers – 4 long term volunteers and 11 short term volunteers from various countries. We are currently looking for young europeans aged 18-30 who would like to take part in any of the 2 months programs:

- September-October
- November-December

The tasks of a volunteer are going to be assistance of recreational activities with refugee children and depending on the season, work on local festivals, local lessons or workshops for young adults or assistance in international projects that our organization will host.



We will also support volunteers for realization of their own ideas at our youth center and we will offer voluntarism opportunities regarding their skills and interests.

BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING WITH US

Youth Center of Epirus is experienced organization that works with international volunteers since 2015 and we have hosted 19 volunteers since then. We offer full support, integration, mentoring and we encourage volunteers to create their own projects of events or activities depending on their interests, experiences and skills. We help our volunteers to assess their learning and growth process as well as volunteers will enjoy the international atmosphere of our organization.

Ioannina city is traditional, historical city and is capital of Epirus region of northern Greece. It's surrounded by great mountains and green nature and it's about an hour away from the most beautiful beaches of northern Greece. Ioannina is a student town with various possibilities for young people and it's 3 hours away from Thessaloniki and 5 hours away from Athens.

Volunteers' health insurance, travel costs and stay will be covered by the Erasmus+ program according to the rules and volunteer will receive pocket money of 155 Euros per month.

SELECTION OF VOLUNTEERS

If you are interested to take part in the project, you are welcome to send your CV and short motivation letter to youthcenterofepirus@yahoo.gr and we will get in touch with you to arrange a Skype meeting. The selection will close as soon as we find motivated candidates, so hurry up!

Read about our activities and testimonies of our volunteers on our website

www.youthcenterofepirus.org/english

For any questions and application, contact us via e-mail

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