

Call for volunteers - EVS in Romania

Project Name: **"YOUth for Community"**

Number of volunteers: **4 volunteers, aged between 18-30 years old**

Period: **1st of September 2012 – 31st of May 2013 (9 months)**

Location: **Cluj-Napoca, Romania**

Project duration: **12 months**

About us

Support 4 Youth Development Association, from Cluj-Napoca is an NGO aiming to support youngsters from the local community in terms of gaining the access to alternative ways of information, resources and opportunities. But also, tries to initiate an alternative way of gaining a higher accessibility on the labor market.

As an active NGO we would like in the future to build up a center for informing, counseling and forming young people, that focuses **mainly on activities** based on community interaction and alternative education. Thereby the project focuses of the themes of youth information and active and civic involvement and comes to support these issues especially among the young students or graduates, as well as propose alternative ways for them to gaining practical life experience.

We are sending you below a short description of the project, please let us know by the end of this week (**15th of April**) if you might be interested to become our partners and send us 1 volunteer/organization. As the time is short until the deadline and we will also need the partnership forms in original to get to us in time, we kindly ask you to think about our proposal and let us know if you might be interested in cooperating with us. We are interested to host also 2 out of 4 EVS volunteers with **fewer opportunities**, so please take also this aspect into consideration as well as the possibility to select them by the moment we will submit the project here in Romania.

Proposal

Now, for deadline 1st of May, we're searching for **4 people** (between 18 - 30 years old) who want to take part in 9 months EVS project between 1st September 2012 - 31th May 2013.

EVS activities

The volunteers will be involved in **various activities** of the project, taking into consideration the achievement of the following objectives planned:

A. Informing at least 250 youngsters/month during the whole voluntary stage period in connection with different opportunities for their own development (youth exchanges, trainings, courses, seminars, conferences, cultural and social events, workshops, internships etc.),

B. Developing practical life competences and abilities from 3 different areas of personal development such as: social skills, linguistic competences, organizational and technical abilities during the whole voluntary stage period.

The mentioned objectives will be achieved by the implementation of the following **activities**:

A.1. Secondary **research activities** on at least 50 alternative available opportunities for youth/month (electronic platforms, e-groups, social networks etc.) and promotion on www.informaretineret.ro and via internal data bases, social networks etc.

A.2. Study visits in the local community and primary research activities (creation of internal data bases with contacts from at least 100 youth centers, social centers, other centers, orphanages, NGOs, different institutions and their offer for youth) and promotion on www.informaretineret.ro and via internal data bases, social networks etc.

A.3. Creation of a publication containing alternative opportunities for youth and distribution of it among at least 100 youngsters / month from the local community

A.4. Research activities over potential opportunities for youngsters, working with different electronic platforms, e-groups, social networks etc., able to maintain and administrate a website or have the capacity to learn - they will have training at the beginning

A.5. Research activities over different institutions (creating data bases as well) from the local community who have some possible vacant places for youngsters, actions, activities and/or projects in which young people can get involved

B.1. Organization of at least 4 **classes of foreign languages** involving at least 100 youngsters

B.2. Organization of different **alternative activities**: workshops on theater, dance, public speaking, debate, games, sportive activities, out-door activities, visualization of documentaries, social and cultural events etc. involving at least 200 youngsters.

Profile of the volunteers

We are looking for candidates willing to enlarge their personal competences as:

* research abilities, working with different electronic platforms, e-groups, social networks etc., able to maintain and administrate a website or have the capacity to learn (They will have training at the beginning)

* able to make videos, pictures and to write articles and other texts for the publication containing opportunities and information for youth;

* able to create a possible programme for language classes in his/her native language

* able to organize different alternative activities for youngsters: workshops, support groups, social meetings, world coffee's or debates, creative workshops, sportive activities, games and out-door activities, visualization of educational documentaries, social and cultural events etc. If the volunteer has specific skills in one area, please let us know.

The volunteer is entitled to have the **capacity of speaking English** on a basic level (conversational) but enough to develop the proposed activities, especially to communicate with people and to write correctly.

We encourage the participation of youngsters with fewer opportunities. In order to achieve the goals of the project we will select 2 volunteers with fewer opportunities (e.g. from the rural area, minorities etc.)

Practical information

We will provide the following facilities and logistics:

- **Accommodation:** Volunteer will live with others volunteers in the Center of Cluj-Napoca in a big flat (all utilities included). Every volunteer will have his/ her own room.
- **Office equipments:** desks, computers, Wireless internet, Telephone, Mobile Phone, Personal E-mail address, office supplies, training equipments etc.
- **Training courses:** we offer a lot of possibilities to participate in special workshops and training
- **Romanian language course**
- **Personal support** - mentor, coordinator of work, coordinator of project.

Procedure

The interested organizations or individual volunteers can apply following the next steps:

1. Each volunteer/organisation has to send **CV** (Europass format) and **motivational letter** (strictly addressing to the interest in participating in this project) to sev.s4yd@gmail.com (the volunteers that are interested in this project but don't have a sending organization will be directed by us to one).
2. Send us **recent photo + social media profile**
3. For the person with **fewer opportunities**, please detail about the case (which type of fewer opportunities does it have and which is their motivation to participate in this project in connection with this aspect, what he/she expects to gain afterwards, how this project will help him/her and especially how he/she will use the competences and abilities gained afterwards in his/her future life etc.)
4. In the meantime, the sending organizations are asked to send us the Part III in original to the following address:
Support for Youth Development Association (S4YD)
Str. Constanta, nr. 10, ap. 2,
400158 Cluj-Napoca, jud. Cluj, Romania

Only the chosen volunteers and their sending organizations will be contacted for the partnership agreement and the Skype interview.

The Deadline to submit the application is 15th of April.