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VOLUNTEERING TEAM 2020

Recanati (MC) - Italy

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Basic info

Start date: 01/06/2020

End date: 31/07/2020

Duration: 59 days + 2 travel days

Participants: 12 from 6 different
countries

(4 participants with fewer opportunities)

- Supporting countries to be confirmed -

Age: from 18 to 30 years old



The organization

The Centro Culturale Fonti San Lorenzo is a voluntary association that is committed to preserve and keep alive one of the few socialization spaces of the homonymous district of Recanati. Founded in the early 90s, occupying and recovering a farmhouse and the surrounding abandoned park, then became the permanent seat of the association by virtue of an agreement with the Municipality. The NGO has grown over the time, struggling because that same space become a place of aggregation from 0 to 100 years old, of cultural proposal, of solidarity, participatory democracy and social fairness.



The Cultural Center represents one of the main socio-aggregative realities of the Region, both in terms of quality and quantity of initiatives. We are in the 11th edition of our music festival made by volunteers, we have an everyday aggregation center with activities for children and youngsters, and space for them to develop their own projects, we are in the 2th edition of our free summer camp for kids and we represent a point of contact between the local reality and Europe, being EVS sending and hosting organization for 4 years now. In almost 30 years of activity, the Center has involved young people "of every age" of Recanati in many recreational, cultural and social initiatives, based on the values of participation, care, individual and collective fulfilment.

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Introduction to the Volunteering Team ESC2ESC project:

The Volunteering Team activity, within the ESC2ESC partnership project, aims to enrich the Children's Summer Camp that takes place for one month, in June/July, in Fonti San Lorenzo, Recanati.



This will be a proposal that extend the daily activity of the association. The summer camp is a place dedicated to games, laboratories and experiments in community education and, thanks to international volunteering team, the place of interlinguistic and interculturality, whose activity will impact to all the users of the kindergarten, to all the neighborhood and the town.

The mobility will involve 12 volunteers who will go to integrate the staff of the Cultural Center, thus allowing to multiply the richness of point of view of every activity.

An initial phase (2 weeks) of acclimatization, training, knowledge of context and children in everyday life Center, to prepare the summer camp's activities.

Then, one month of activity every morning. Two final weeks will be dedicated to debriefing and evaluation, as well as the organization of the children's animation for the "Memorabilia" music festival owned by the association, that will take place from the 17th to the 19th of July for its twelfth edition. The music festival will end the volunteering team activity as a big party for the



extended group of volunteers, local (the festival usually engages more than 60 volunteers) and foreign.

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Volunteer profile:

The profile of the participants will prefer propensities and social, educational and animative aptitudes. In each case, consistent with the European Program Solidarity Corps, particular attention will be paid to the social inclusion of the subjects with fewer opportunities or disadvantages. Anyway, personal motivations will be the main guiding factor in the selection. Volunteers will increase the potential of project activities, without replacing qualified personnel: rather, they will expand the proposal, enhancing the ideas of others or their own, sharing in the planning and the realization.



Typical profile of the volunteer:

- be open minded with a positive attitude;
- flexibility to adapt to possible changes
- initiative, creativity and respect to the others and to different ideas;
- motivated to work with youngsters and children;
- determined to learn more
- communicative and sociable
- engaged with the [European Solidarity Corps](#) principles

Accommodation, Food and Transport arrangements

The accommodation arrangements needs to be confirmed

You will live in a flat in Recanati, 1 minute walking from the Centro Culturale Fonti San Lorenzo and 10 from the city center. You will have a twin or triple room in a shared apartment.

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Italian Language

It is good to start practicing your Italian already before leaving so that you start to become familiar with the language; it is worth while putting a little time in now to learn a few basic words. You can read a book or go online for free. Here are a few websites to look [here](#)



Where

Recanati: is a city with 21 thousand inhabitants in the central but lesser known Italian region of Le Marche. A typical Italian town on a hill, a few minutes by car from the sea. It is famous in Italy and beyond for being the birthplace of Giacomo Leopardi, one of the greatest Italian poets of all time. This year marks the 200th anniversary of his masterpiece, "L'infinito", which celebration is involving schools and young people from all over Italy. Recanati is also a city of music counting the famous tenor Beniamino Gigli among its former citizens. It is considered a place for of tourism and culture. Many young people come from all over the world to study the Italian language here. The Town was also recently a candidate for the capital of Italian culture.



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