

Volunteering experience in Monte Grimano Terme (Pesaro Urbino province)

Montefeltro

(2/12/2019 – 4/04/2020)

Deadline: 10/11/2019



Subject of the project:

The strategic project "Youthquake" EVS, coordinated by ARCS Arci Culture Solidali ONG, was born in 2016, when a wide area of central Italy was affected by a sequence of earthquakes. This caused the loss of human lives, houses, economic resources, social infrastructures and damaged the rich historical and artistic heritage of this region.

The name of the project, Youthquake, combines the words youth and earthquake, the two principal elements involved. Through the energies and competences of the young European volunteers, the project aims to contribute to the social, economical and physical reconstruction of the affected areas.

The hosting organization:

The cooperative society Officina Creativa Montefeltro, established on 31 October 2013, is composed of a group of young people from the Montefeltro area who have been working for years in the fields of culture, tourism and promotion. The professional figures available to the cooperative range from experts in design, translators, experts and art historians, web technicians, computer technicians, graphic designers, marketing experts, text editors, librarians, youth policy experts, researchers. The purpose of this service cooperative is to work in the fields of tourism and culture, through

collaborations with public bodies and private entities, with the aim of designing, carrying out research, organizing, managing, promoting events, cultural sites and tourism.

Description:

The Montefeltro, placed among the hills of the Marche region, is blessed by the great richness in historical, cultural and environmental terms. On the other hand, the young inhabitants are experiencing more evident problems of isolation, since this is an internal and geographically limited zone with a huge amount of rural and mountain territories. It has also a low demographic density and difficulties with communication, as it is relatively far away from the main urban centers.

However, it is a highly productive territory with important industries in various sectors like wood/furniture, plastic, agribusiness and small and medium artigianal and commercial factories.

Moreover, numerous social, entertaining and artistic activities take place here, which keeps the youngsters from leaving away by giving them the possibility to participate in the events as organisers, designers and the main consumers. This makes them also responsible and aware of their own capabilities. These young people are doing their best to keep the public spaces alive and vibrant and they are achieving this with the help of various Associations nearby.

Therefore their awareness increases and they develop the concept of an active citizenship and entrepreneurship.

Volunteers' tasks:

The volunteers will be involved in the socio-cultural activities of the town, in the library, kindergarten and elementary school for the children linguistic assistance, laboratorial activities of the Auser association and event organisation with the Pro-Loco association.

Weekly activities example:

MONDAY

- 8:30 - 12:30: English course at the elementary school.
- 14:30 - 18:30: Punto IAT / Pro-Loco: translation of brochures, Internet websites, cooperation by the organisation of events / sagre

TUESDAY

- 9:00 - 11:00: English course at the kindergarten.
- 11:00 - 13:00: bookcrossing project: online book registration, book exchange, blog management, organising the books in their specific boxes.
- 15:00 - 19:00: opening and management of the media library: opening the Internet point related to the MLOL project. The possibility of signing up membership agreements and checking both international and national newspapers and other data sources.

WEDNESDAY

- 8:30 - 12:30: COMUNE DI MONTE CERIGNONE (language courses at schools)
- 15:00 - 19:00: Auser conversation club: helping the Auser volunteers with the creation of artigianal labs (wood and ceramics etc.) and the classification and loaning of the books donated to the club.

THURSDAY

- 9:00 - 11:00: english course at the kindergarten
- 11:00 - 13:00: collaboration by the cleaning and decoration of the street furniture, assisting the workers and organising the cleaning actions in the green spaces, including the children involvement.
- 15 - 19:00: opening and management of the Media library: opening the Internet point related to the MLOL project. The possibility of signing up membership agreements and checking both international and national newspapers and other data sources.

FRIDAY

- 8:30 - 12:30: Punto IAT / Pro-Loce: translation of brochures, Internet websites, cooperation by the organisation of events / sagre
- 15:00 - 19:00: Auser conversation club: cooperation by the realization of mapping and maintenance of tourist footpaths N.B. If the boys were available in the evening, we would move a few hours to take a language course for adults. It is also possible that social activities such as shopping for the elderly, coupling them with visits, etc.

Food and Accomodation:

The volunteers will accommodate in a shared flat in Monte Grimano village; the hosting organization will provide to give a monthly food allowance.

The EVS includes:

Flights (roundtrip) up to 290 Euro, 275€ from France

Food and accommodation

Private insurance

Pocket money: 4 euro for day

Italian language online Course

Support of a tutor/mentor for all the duration of the project

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How to join the project:

Interested candidates need to send an updated CV and a cover letter related to the project (both in English) to arcs.youthquake@gmail.com.