



EUROPEAN YOUTH IN ALZIRA

European Voluntary Service

Alzira, Valencian Community, Spain

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1. What is EVS?

EVS (European Voluntary Service) is an international volunteer programme funded by the European Commission. It enables all young people legally resident in Europe, aged between 18 and 30 years, to carry out an international volunteer service in an organization or in a public body in Europe, Africa, Asia or South America for a period ranging from 2 to 12 months

The European Voluntary Service (EVS) is part of the Key Action 1: *Mobility for young people and youth workers of Erasmus + Programme.*

European Voluntary Service is based on the following principles:

- increasing your own skills through the practical experience of volunteering abroad;
- encouraging the learning of another language;
- developing the ability to interact with persons of different language and culture;
- spreading tolerance among young people of the European Union;
- promoting active citizenship;
- supporting the development of local communities

European Voluntary Service is NOT occasional, part-time volunteering; an internship in an enterprise, in a humanitarian organization or in an NGO; a recreational or a tourist activity; a language course abroad; a paid job.

At the end of your EVS period, you will receive a certificate confirming your participation and describing your project – the Youthpass.



2. About IDEA- coordinating organization

IDEA stands for an Agency of Local Development (“IDEA” Initiatives for the Economic Development of Alzira) depending on the Economic and Employment Promotion Department and on the Industry and Commerce Department of the City Council of Alzira. IDEA aims to promote economic growth and reduce the unemployment in the city town mainly working on three big areas: the first one is the provision of information and advice to entrepreneurs, the second area regards information and career guidance for unemployed people, and the third one concerns the provision of Training services.

3. Description of the project

The project will host 4 volunteers from 4 different countries: Poland, United Kingdom, Romania and Czech Republic.

The volunteers will be placed in four different **HOSTING ORGANIZATIONS** (schools and training centers):

1. IES J.M. Parra (Public secondary and high school): <http://iesparra.edu.gva.es/>
2. CEIP Federico García Sanchiz (Kindergarden and primary school)
<http://www.fgarciasanchiz.es/>
3. CIPFP Luis Suñer Sanchiz (Public center for professional formation)
<http://cifpalzira.edu.gva.es/>
4. CFPA Enric Valor (Center for adults formation)
<http://cfpaenricvalor.wix.com/web>



In this project volunteers will be placed at different training centers that will allow them to stay in touch with young people in our town, and our young people to be in daily contact with these volunteers from other European countries with whom they can jointly develop activities, discuss current issues and enrich each other in this intercultural experience. We also seek the objective of the project that young Spaniards see firsthand the opportunities that Europe offers, not only in the field of Justice, Equality and Democracy, but also in training through the Erasmus + program that may in the future help them better people and to value their professional training.

We seek to provide young volunteers with an opportunity to improve both their personal and professional profiles, in order to facilitate a better understanding and tolerance towards young people of other cultures and develop solidarity and personal commitment as tools to open their minds and thus change their lives. The collaboration of volunteers with hosting organizations of this project (training centers), will provide a direct and continuous contact with the Spanish youth, which will allow them to exchange ideas and discuss issues affecting young people.

We seek also promote the idea of mobility among young people in our town, we want young people to see as normal performing an EVS in another country of the European Union and as this activity is enriching personal and curricular level, local youth will see the evolution of volunteers in their daily language learning and their integration into local society, as volunteers reach goals and objectives, encouraging our youth to participate in an EVS project and break the current false stereotype of some young see EVS as a waste of time.



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Volunteers tasks:

The volunteers will participate in the daily activities of the centers, in any tasks that are not directly related to formal education, they cannot teach or be responsible for classrooms and students.

The main tasks will be:

1. attending working reunions and seminars;
2. working on the School web page;
3. preparing extracurricular activities (workshops, cinema debates, etc),
4. participating in the language lessons, especially in the English ones to encourage the students to use the language.

The volunteers will *work 35 hours/week* including Spanish classes.

Spanish is not a must but it would be useful for volunteers to have at least some basic skills in Spanish (conversational level) as they will work in schools and formation centers, mainly with persons with low level of English.

4. Accommodation, meal and pocket money

Accommodation costs are fully covered by our organization. The volunteers will have to share one flat (individual bedrooms) with access to all the facilities (fully equipped kitchen, washing machine, TV, WiFi, etc).

The volunteers will be provided each month with **180 euro** for **food** and **105 euro** as **pocket money**.



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5. Insurance

EVS Volunteers are covered by an **insurance** plan specially designed to protect them during their period of voluntary activity.

The sending organization is responsible to register the volunteer in order to get access to the insurance plan.

More details about the insurance here below:

<https://www.salto-youth.net/downloads/4-17-3272/CIGNA%20insurance%20plan%20for%20EVS.PDF>

6. Travel costs

International transport is covered up to **275 euro/volunteer round-trip**. The volunteers need to book their own tickets and we will reimburse the money after they arrive here. Only public transport is reimbursed.

i You must keep all your travel documents: train or bus tickets, boarding passes etc. in order to be reimbursed.

7. Contact

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8. Some useful links

- EVS Charter

http://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/sites/erasmusplus/files/library//evs-charter_en.pdf

- General Information about Alzira:
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alzira,_Valencia
- 2.Valencian Community touristic portal
<http://en.comunitatvalenciana.com/>
- IDEA Alzira website
<http://www.idea-alzira.com/>
- IDEA's volunteers blog
<https://idealmobility.wordpress.com/>