



## **INFOPACK**

### **EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS**

### **"WALLS & PAPERS" PROJECT**

**WHEN:** 02.09.2019 - 01.08.2020

**WHERE:** Palermo, Italy

**HOSTING ORGANIZATION:** Association "Officina Creativa Interculturale",  
[www.casaofficina.it](http://www.casaofficina.it)

The principal aim of the association "Officina Creativa Interculturale" is to spread the intercultural dialogue and multilingualism in the city of Palermo, among children and adults, teachers and families. Our educative centre "Casa-Officina" is a place where the local community can exchange and share experiences. At "Casa-Officina", Italian and foreign people can meet each other and compare their cultures, languages, lifestyles and everyday lives.

The association promotes the different languages and cultures of the world, especially through the first multilingual library for children in Palermo. The books collected are thousands, written in more than 45 different languages. Since 2013, it has been opened, in collaboration with the association "La piccola Officina", a multicultural kindergarten with children between 18 months and 5 years old from different Countries. Children are everyday involved in educative regular activities, from Monday to Saturday, from 7.30 to 16. The other activities, in collaboration with schools and organizations, are creative workshops and language courses for children, young people and adults and multicultural events, involving people from many countries, especially immigrated people.

Since 2010, the association has organized training courses aimed at promoting different languages and cultures and multicultural education, through artistic and non-verbal methods and storytelling techniques, involving youth workers, teachers and educators. Since 2016, the association has been promoting artistic activities to fight against the educational poverty, especially with families and children (0-6 years old).

## **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

### **PARTNERS**

OFFICINA CREATIVA INTERCULTURALE - Italy (Coordinating and Hosting Organization)

KANE - Social Youth Development Civil Nonprofit Society - Greece (Sending Organization)

ProAtlântico - Associação Juvenil - Portugal (Sending Organization)

**HOW MANY VOLUNTEERS:** 2 volunteers (1 from Greece, 1 from Portugal)

## PROFILE OF VOLUNTEERS:

- ✚ Experience with children (*preferred*)
- ✚ Artistic experiences (*preferred*)
- ✚ Effective communication skills and passion to learning
- ✚ Team work and cooperation abilities
- ✚ Interest in cultural, religious, linguistic differences
- ✚ Interest in learning/teaching different languages

## TASKS

“Officina Creativa Interculturale” association offers non-formal learning opportunities inspired by the intercultural dialogue and multilingual experiences. The principal aim will be to promote the personal and social growth, valorising the active participation, the European awareness, relationships with local young people and families.

Volunteers will be involved in the work of the staff, within local experiences involving local community.

In the educative centre, the volunteers role will be to participate, assist educators and propose the following activities:

- Kindergarten/playroom with children from 2 years old;
- reading books and story-telling in their original language and bilingual books;
- workshop about Erasmus Plus programme and EVS experience for youngsters and students;
- participation to projects to promote educative activities for children;
- documentation, production, collection and distribution of materials on intercultural issues;
- artistic events and activities with the local community.

## BEFORE LEAVING

The volunteers will be involved in a **training course** before leaving: the meetings will be organized from the Sending Organizations.

The period of eligibility is from 2019, August 1<sup>st</sup>. The period of service will be **from 2019, September 2<sup>nd</sup> to 2020, August 1<sup>st</sup>**.

Don't buy tickets before 2019, August 1<sup>st</sup>!

## EVERYDAY LIFE

In Italy, the volunteers will attend an **Italian online language course**, provided by the EU. There will be also an **on-arrival training and a mid-term evaluation**, organized from the National Agency.

Each volunteer will be involved in activities **7 hours a day**, for 5 days a week. There will be **2 days-off a month**: the volunteer can choose to collect them for a longer holiday.

There will be a **mentor**, a person who will support volunteers in everyday life and in the learning process. At the end of the experience the volunteers will have a **YouthPass**, filled by themselves with the help of the mentor, with the new competences of the volunteer.

## ACCOMODATION

The volunteers will be hosted in an apartment with other young people, near to the centre of Palermo and to the association. All the costs related to the rent and utilities (WiFi included) are covered by the Hosting Organization.

## **FOOD**

Each volunteer will receive 135€/a month for food.

## **POCKET MONEY**

Each volunteer will receive 150€/a month as pocket money.

**TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENT:** The participants' travel costs will be fully covered within the limits approved by the project (The travel fees are calculated according to the official rules for the Erasmus+ program).

Please, note that the travel expenses should be documented in the form of the official tickets, boarding passes, invoices, receipts, etc. The stated costs will be reimbursed within the stated limits. The excess travel cost shall be paid by the participant himself/herself. The travel costs will be reimbursed only upon the presentation of all original (including return) tickets, receipts/invoices and boarding passes. The participants are requested to use the means of public transport (such as bus, metro, tram) for the local transportation, and the economy class for the flights. Please keep the boarding passes from your airport check-in as well. Reimbursement will be done in EURO, regardless of the currency indicated on your ticket and receipt/invoice. The participants should arrive from the country they applied for the project.

Maximum Reimbursement Limit per person 275 Euros

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