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# BOTTLES2BOATS

**ESC Volunteering team  
Kalamata, Greece  
21 October - 21 November 2019  
(incl. travel days)**



KALAMATA, MESSINIA, GREECE



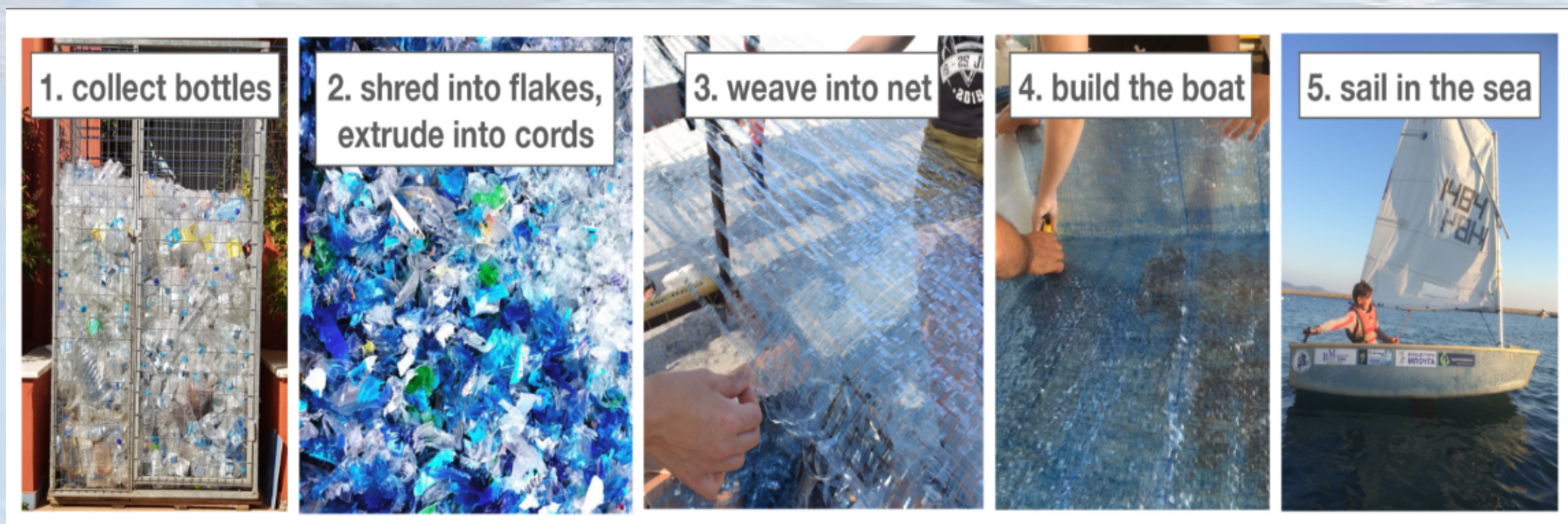
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**Bottles 2 Boats** is an upgrade of the project **DREAM** that was implemented in June 2018.

Based on the idea of re-use we have managed to convert plastic water bottles, with an innovative technological method, into optimist sailing boats with the specifications set by the sailing federations.

Bottles to Boats proposes a holistic approach to the phenomenon of excessive use of plastic, promotes the awareness and education of children and young people and combines the reuse of plastic with sport and active life, an issue that is also crucial in our time.

It is a European Solidarity Corps project designed to involve young people with fewer opportunities in a voluntary teams activity. It uses innovative youth working methods, combining technology and manual work to build optimist-type sailing boats entirely from water bottles that students from the schools of Messinia region, collect and crush into flakes, as part of an integrated educational and environmental cycle.



### The volunteer's tasks will be:

- participation in the workshops
- preparation and maintenance of materials and working spaces
- participation in all activities of the project
- extruding plastic bottles into cords
- weaving cords into nets
- building sailboats from the plastic nets
- participation in organizing the public event
- organizing activities to raise environmental awareness and promote the project
- documenting (taking pictures, videos, etc);
- writing articles and testimonies about the activities



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**The project requires a high level of commitment from the side of the volunteer, sense of solidarity and tolerance and willingness to work within a team.**

The activities of this project are structured in a way as to facilitate the learning outcomes and the skills development of the volunteers. The methods used will be based on non-formal learning and skills exchange (peer to peer, learning by doing, different workshops, experiential learning, etc).





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## Travel cost

Travel costs are covered by program, based on the travel distance calculator.

France - 360€

Spain - 360€

Poland - 275€

Romania - 275€

Slovakia - 275€

Italy - 275€

Portugal - 360€

Estonia - 360€



## Accommodation

The volunteers will be accommodated in shared rooms, 4 volunteers per room.

Every room has a balcony and a private bathroom.



## Food

Hosting organization will provide food for the volunteers from Monday to Sunday. For the days off, volunteers will get the allowance to arrange their food.



## Pocket money

Volunteers will get **160€** of the pocket money for the whole duration of the project, divided in weekly payments, given at the end of every week - **35€ per week**



## About Kalamata

Kalamata (Greek: Καλαμάτα Kalamáta, formerly Καλάμαι Kalámai) is the most populous city of the Peloponnese region in Southern Greece. The capital and chief port of the Messenia regional unit, it lies along the Nedon River at the head of the Messenian Gulf.

The history of Kalamata begins with Homer, who mentions Pharai, an ancient city built more or less where the castle of the town stands today.



Kalamata is renowned as the land of the Kalamatianos dance and the silk kerchief; of succulent, dark "Kalamata olives"; and of honey-eyed figs and the honey-covered sesame sweet called pasteli. The city can be reached from other Greek cities by bus. It has an international airport and an important harbor. Ferries are available during the summer to places such as the Greek islands of Kythira and Crete.

The Messenian Gulf where Kalamata is located has various long beaches. The Taygetus mountain range is about 4 km (2.5 mi) east of Kalamata and the GR-82 Kalamata–Sparta highway runs through the range.

Olives and olive oil are important and famous products are exported from Kalamata. Kalamata has a Mediterranean Climate (Csa) with mild and wet winters and dry, hot summers. Kalamata receives plenty of precipitation days during winter. Summers are very hot and dry. The maximum temperature ever recorded at Kalamata was **42,6°C** and the minimum ever recorded was **-5°C**.

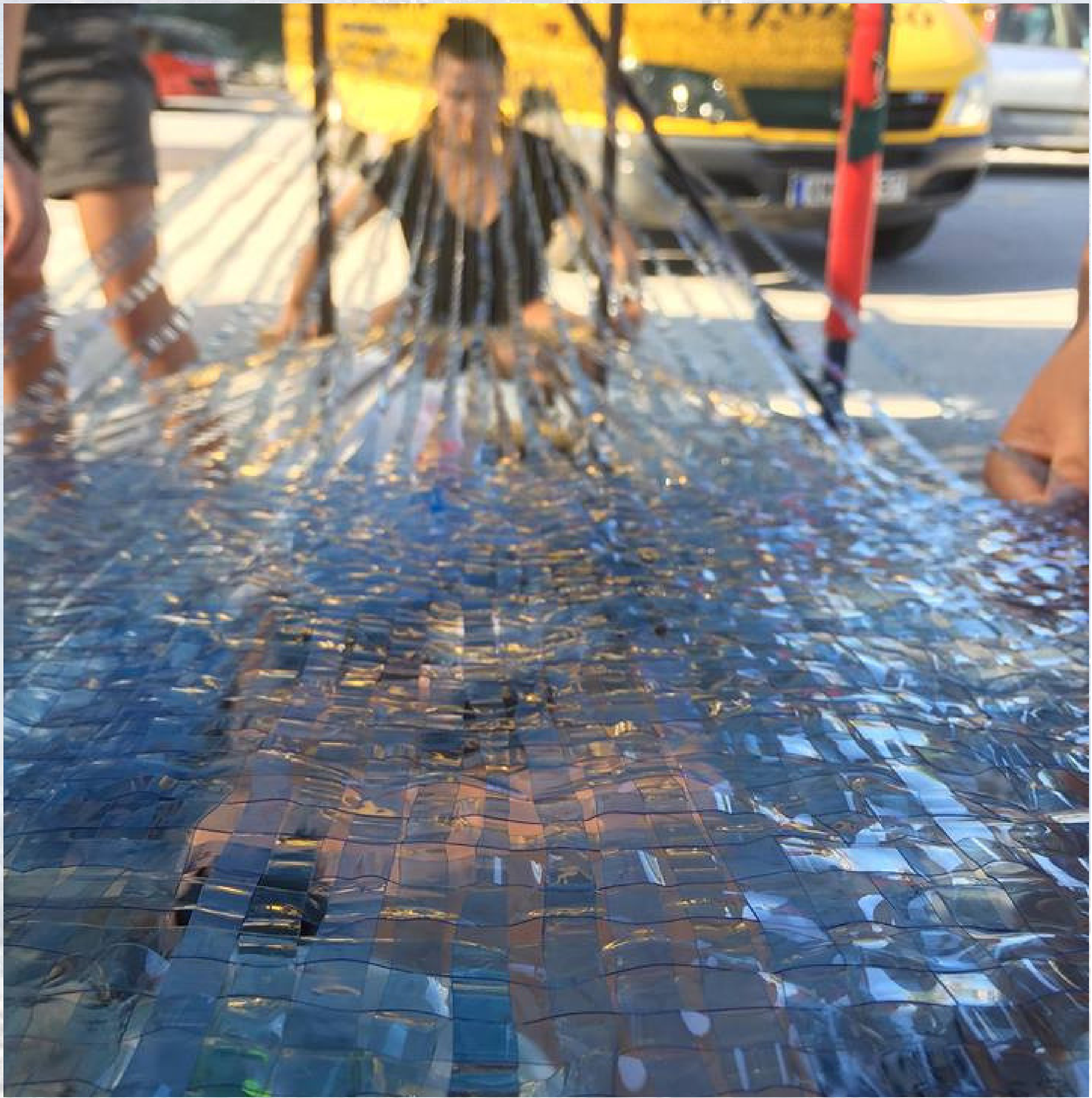


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## HOW TO APPLY

If you would like to join our team on this project,  
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**APPLICATION FORM**



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## Useful links

**BOTTLES2BOATS**  
You can check about us and our projects on the links bellow

### B2B project

**Website:** <https://b2b.ngokane.org/>

### K.A.NE. Organisation

**Website:** [www.ngokane.org](http://www.ngokane.org)

**Facebook page:** [KANE Social Youth Development](#)

**Youtube channel:** [KANE TV](#)

### Youth Centre of Kalamata

**Website:** [www.kentroneon.wordpress.com](http://www.kentroneon.wordpress.com)

**Facebook page:** [www.facebook.com/kentroneon](http://www.facebook.com/kentroneon)

**Youtube channel:** [www.youtube.com/channel/UCL3SGt3ZJQ-AgB1fHe\\_NWtQ](http://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL3SGt3ZJQ-AgB1fHe_NWtQ)

### Volunteers in Kalamata

**EVS blog:** [www.evskalamata.blogspot.gr](http://www.evskalamata.blogspot.gr)

**EVS newsletter - LiNK**