



**EUROPEAN  
SOLIDARITY  
CORPS**



# VOLUNTEERING 4 YOU-TH



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**AUGUST - OCTOBER 2023  
NICOSIA, CYPRUS**

# MAIN DETAILS

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**Hosting organisation:** Youth Dynamics

**Venue:** Nicosia, Cyprus

**Dates:** August - October 2023 (3 months)

**Participants:** 4 (aged 22 - 30)

## Description

The main objective of Volunteering 4 You-th is to provide participants with the opportunity to develop youth competencies, knowledge and practical skills in order to offer to disadvantaged youth or young people with fewer opportunities. The volunteers will be responsible for creating activities aimed at the integration and promotion of European values. This opportunity combines principles of solidarity and volunteering as important instruments for the development of our local community. By promoting the value of volunteering and solidarity as a means of engaging young people, we expect to increase the sense of European citizenship and active participation of young people in social activities. During the ESC project, the volunteers will experience and develop a sense of solidarity with disadvantaged groups that will serve as models of intercultural behaviours and help increase the cultural awareness of their peers.

## Activities

- facilitation in local workshops, seminars and other events hosted by our NGO
- assisting in the coordination of Erasmus+ and ESC projects
- designing activities that will be implemented in local Erasmus+ projects
- promoting the Erasmus+ and our NGO opportunities at local schools
- gardening, clean-up campaigns

# PRACTICAL DETAILS



## Arrival Airports:

### Larnaca (LCA) or Paphos (PFO)

Keep in mind, that you cannot arrive/depart to Ercan (ECN) airport as it is located on the occupied side and is not recognized as a legitimate port of entry.

## Food and Pocket money:

Volunteers will receive a monthly budget for food and pocket money.

## Travel support:

Flight tickets will be reimbursed according to the Erasmus+ travel distance calculator.

## Mentoring:

A local mentor will be assigned to support you during the eight months.

## Accommodation:

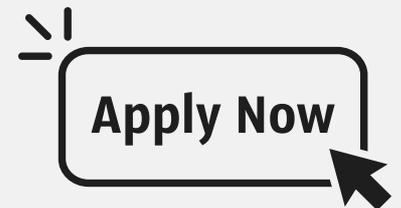
Volunteers will be accommodated in a fully furnished flat, situated close to the city center.

# PROFILE OF PARTICIPANTS

## 4 participants

### The selected participants must:

- have relevant experience in Erasmus+ and youth work
- have basic knowledge of English
- eager to accumulate knowledge and develop new skills and competencies that they will then share with others
- willing to participate and volunteer proactively in all planned activities
- willing to take part in an online interview upon selection



# NICOSIA



## **Venetian Walls**

Nicosia's most defining features are its impressive Venetian walls, which encircle the old city. Although crumbling significantly, much of their original three-kilometer length is still in place. Famagusta Gate is the best preserved and is decorated with numerous coats of arms. The passage here leads out from the old city to the old city's empty moat area.

## **Ledra Street**

Ledra Street is the main drag through the old town and is lined with cafés, restaurants, and shops, leading right up to the Ledra Street Green Line crossing-post to North Nicosia. Plenty of the old town's small churches have lavish interiors that merit a peek inside like Panagia Chrysaliniotissa that is considered the oldest church in Nicosia and believed to have been built in 1450.

## **Leventis Municipal Museum**

Recently renovated, Nicosia's Leventis Museum is housed in a beautiful old city mansion and presents the history of Nicosia through a carefully selected collection of ethnographical displays and artifacts. For history lovers, this is not to be missed, and the museum has won European Museum of the Year for its brilliantly curated exhibits that trace the city's long and eventful past.

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## Laiki Geitonia

Off Onasagorou Street, you'll find a dozen little shops that make up a pedestrian neighbourhood called Laiki Geitonia. This is the ultimate place to visit if you want to do some souvenir shopping, as the shops sell everything from olive oil and zivania (a traditional alcoholic drink) to Cypriot sculptures and lace embroidery.

## Local Food

Head to one of the Old Town's eateries that serve daily home-style, traditional meals and are the closest you'll find to eating at a Cypriot home. Try *Piatsa Gourounaki* or *Kathodon*. A visit to Cyprus can't be complete without trying a pitta of mixed souvlakia: grilled meat skewers and sheftalia sausages with salad.

## Local Coffee

Café culture is an essential part of life in Cyprus, so be sure to indulge in a hot drink with one of the many delicious pastries and traditional cakes on offer in coffee shops across the city. Locals love *To Apomero*, a small café hidden in an alley just off Ermou, its name aptly meaning "secluded" in Greek.



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