## YOUTH HOSTELING FOR LOCAL DEVELOPMENT



LONG TERM VOLUNTEERING
IN ROMANIA

### **APRIL - SEPTEMBER 2021**







#### Hosting organization



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### Hosting organization CURBA DE CULTURA

Curba de Cultură focuses on teenagers and youth development.

Our mission is to use non-formal education as a complementary method to the formal educational system for young people. We want to create the premises for a better development of the young people and their more suited integration within their respective communities. We want to make young people aware that they actively belong to their local and national culture.

The youth centre will be the base of operations for all projects taking place in the rural community of Izvoarele village, Prahova County in Romania. The beautiful surroundings and the mountain landscape will provide an excellent environment for building trust, tolerance and understanding and will create great personal development opportunities.

The hosting placement, Izvoarele, is 60 kms from Brasov, 50 kms away from Ploiesti and 110 kms away from Bucharest, the capital and the main city in Romania. The volunteers will live inside the community, which is a regular mountain community in rural Romania.



#### Behind the project

Teișani is a neighboring commune to Izvoarele, where Curba de Cultură implemented most of its projects in the past 9 years. Starting last year, the local authorities in Teișani invited us to deliver activities in their comune as well.

The project comes to add up to the work and the results that other projects are already doing in the comunity of Teişani commune. While one project puts the village on the regional cultural map, the other one promotes the area.

We saw, with the local authorities, appropriate to also have in the community an accommodation space that's affordable and suitable for young people that want to experience the local culture at its finest.



#### What will you do?

The Youth Hosteling for Local Development project aims to create promotional materials and a promotional campaign for what is going to be the local youth hostel in order to support locals to benefit from tourism.

The volunteers will create materials for promoting the youth hostel, raise awareness on hosteling culture and support locals to pratice suistanable tourism.

Besides the promotional materials, you will run workshops and activities, you will also contact the locals and the local community to support them promoting themselves, in promoting the area and each of the craftsmen and producers.

You are also going to set connections with stakeholders in the fields to promote the community of Teişani in its full.



#### Profile of the volunteer

- is between 18 and 30 years old
- is available for the full 6 months of the mobility
- is motivated to do international volunteering
- is strongly motivated to live and work in rural area
- is interested in learning a different European language
- is motivated to develop new competences and to learn about community development
- is interested in developing digital skills
- has good English communication skills, spoken and written





#### What do we provide?

- reimbursement of travel costs up to 180/275/360 (depending on the distance) euro in the end of the stay
- accommodation
- food allowance and pocket money
- local transport bus permits and car when needed for activities
- coordination, materials for activities and equipment
- task-related trainings such as teambuilding, health and security, event management, basic youthwork and group dynamics, communication,
- language training







### What to bring

- clothes for all kind of weather, even if you come on March winter is not over yet and a raincoat, the weather can be capricious
- shoes for walking and hiking
- towels and toiletries
- books, if you like reading (we also have books in English here, but not that many)
- laptop/ tablet (there is wi-fi in the office) but we also have computers for volunteers in the office, so its fine if you do not bring a laptop
- a phone which will work with a Romanian sim card
- anything else you would like to share or show to us or to beneficiaries (objects, snacks etc)
- your camera if you wish
- an iron and a hair dryer, if you really need those (you won't need to wear official clothing, t-shirts and jeans will do just fine)



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Can't wait to meet you!

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