

“YOUTH MOBILITY, PARTICIPATION AND TECHNOLOGICAL CULTURE IN MAJADAHONDA 2020”

ESC VACANCIES – MAJADAHONDA YOUTH CENTER

Location: Majadahonda (Madrid) Spain

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End: 30/06/2021

ORGANISATION DESCRIPTION

The Youth Service of Majadahonda belongs to the City Council and is the responsible for the activities offered to the youth of our town (about 15,000 young people between 12 and 30 years). The main goal-mission is to improve the quality of life of the youth population in Majadahonda by responding to their needs and demands regarding to information, culture, participation, non formal education, healthy habits, leisure and integration in the environment.

For this, the following services are offered at the "Príncipe de Asturias" Youth Centre:

- Youth Information Office.
- Office for International Programmes (OPIM)
- Majadahonda TECH, which aims to promote technological culture and the development of digital skills.
- Promotion of active participation of young people through the Local Voluntary Service department and the Learning-Service programme.
- Training in the field of leisure, free time and non-formal Education through the School of Animation of Majadahonda.
- Organization of cultural workshops: dance, photography, music, personal development, etc.
- Organization of Leisure Activities.
- In addition the Youth Centre provides: spaces for cultural creation, study rooms, exhibit space, rehearsal rooms for music bands and youth theatre companies and meeting rooms for associations.

All our services and activities are conducted within the methodological approach of Non Formal Education, promoting the active participation of the young people in the learning process and promoting creativity, personal autonomy and favoring skills development to improve their integration in the environment.

Due to the characteristics of the centre in which voluntary activities are going to take place, volunteers have these possibilities:

- Learning about youth policies and actions at local and European level.

- Interacting with youth from the area, thus ensuring the intercultural dimension and promoting European awareness and citizenship which are essential aspects inherent to aims of the ESC.
- Developing their social and personal skills.
- Learning Spanish language (for international volunteers)
- Developing a personal project. We will encourage and support volunteers to propose and implement activities related to youth of the area, according to their interests, abilities and skills.

We want to host **3 ESC volunteers for a 10 months project**, from Estonia, Finland and Spain (Canary Islands). Volunteering is mainly performed in the evenings, from Monday to Friday or Tuesday to Saturday, depending on the activity in which the volunteer will take part in, with 2 free days per week.

Holidays: 2 days per months of project, plus local and national holidays.

Participation time: 30-35 h/week.

Volunteers will live in Majadahonda, so they can integrate and relate to the local community.

ACTIVITIES AND TASKS

Volunteers represent an added value to tasks carried out by youth workers in the Youth Center, who will support them. They may get involved in the design, implementation and evaluation of the different programmes in which they participate.

The ESC project consists of different parts, activities performed by some of the volunteers together, and specific activities for each volunteer. Specific activities are connected to youth information at OPIM, technology at Majadahonda TECH, and youth participation at PIV, from which volunteer has to choose one according to their personal interests and skills.

The services in which the volunteers will take part are:

INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTEERS (Estonia and Finland)

1.- **SUPPORT AT THE OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES OF MAJADAHONDA** (OPIM, Oficina de Programas Internacionales de Movilidad): OPIM informs and enables the participation of youth in different international experiences and facilitates international mobility. Apart from coordinating different actions of the European Solidarity Corps and Erasmus+



programmes in various international and local initiatives (volunteering abroad, youth exchanges in other European cities, etc), we also inform and counsel about the different possibilities to work and study, participate in language courses, workcamps and traineeships in foreign countries.

2.- **SUPPORT AT "MAJADAHONDA TECH"**: MAJADAHONDA TECH is a creative technology area for youth with the aim to disseminate the technological culture and create a community of young people interested in it. In this area we are developing two activities: the Coderdojo Club, in which the children and youngsters design and develop their own projects) and encourage the acquisition of digital skills, and Technovation, a programme for young girls connected to social entrepreneurship through technology.

NATIONAL VOLUNTEER (Canary Islands)

3.- **SUPPORT AT LOCAL VOLUNTEERING POINT (PIV)**:

The "Learning-service" projects (APS, Aprendizaje-Servicio in Spanish) consist of the creation of spaces for participation and volunteering for young people in age 12 to 17. The activities are carried out in collaboration with local secondary schools and local associations / NGOs, in which participants design and develop a voluntary projects which will cover the needs of the municipality

ACTIVITIES

In the following table you can find the detailed activities for each volunteer, depending on the service. Please note the differences: some of the tasks will be developed by two or three volunteers together, some individually (always in cooperation with the person in charge of the service).

1. OPIM (International volunteer)	2. TECH (International volunteer)	3. PIV (Learning-Service programme) (National volunteer)
<p>Volunteers 1 and 2: English Language Workshops. The volunteers will prepare, perform and cheer up this activity, with different groups of young people from 12 to 30 years old. This will be one of the most important tasks of the volunteers. They will bring their own styles and energy to liven up discussions and inspire participants to practice English. Depending on the origin of the volunteers and their language proficiency, we can organize workshops in other languages</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To inform and assess about the different possibilities to work, study, participate in language courses, workcamps or internships abroad (by creating a newsletter every month) • To organise and inspire activities of the Youth Center • To develop talks and presentations about ESC and Erasmus + programmes or other European programmes that can be useful for young people. • To support the young people of Majadahonda who are looking for volunteering projects or other international programmes, helping them with the vacancies research, CV and motivation letter, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be part of the Coderdojo team and take part in following tasks: supporting the local mentors in the programming projects, designing activities, reflecting on possibilities of the area, materials management, monitoring and evaluation and support paperwork. • To support Technovation programme, being part of the group of mentors that work with the young girls, aimed at acquiring entrepreneurship and digital skills. To propose, design and carry out own activities and support activities of others. • To create contents for the dissemination and visibility of the activities: videos, pictures, social media, etc. • To propose new projects related to programming, digital communication, connect users, ensure the proper use of space, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support in the development and design of projects. • Participate in training activities aimed at young participants. • Carry out dissemination activities to motivate students to participate • Dynamize and accompany the groups in the performance of the different services. • Participate in the monitoring of projects. • Perform dissemination and visibility of projects. • Participate in the organization of the event of presentation of projects and delivery of diplomas
<p>Tasks for the three volunteers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of promotional materials for the activities (posters, leaflets, presentations, etc) • Supporting the promotion of European Solidarity Corps and Erasmus + and other programmes for youth, participating in the presentations we organize both at the Youth Center and schools in the town. • Participation in information campaigns concerning youth related issues. • Making photos and videos of activities of the Youth Center and a specific video about their experience in Majadahonda • Creating a blog and writing about their experiences as volunteers during the whole project, posting in on the social media. • Developing personal project in relation to aims of our organization and interests and skills of the volunteer. • Other activities in the field of youth. 		

CRITERIA

We seek volunteers that are:

- From Estonia, Finland and Spain (Canary Islands).
- Interested in youth policies and actions at local and European level, especially those related with the transmission of values from non-formal education approaches.
- Proactive, dynamic, tolerant, flexible and with good communication and team work skills.
- For OPIM and Majadahonda TECH positions, good skills in English are very desirable for the English conversation workshops.
- Interested in learning Spanish language (for international volunteers), since it will be necessary for a successful integration in the Youth Center and the local community.
- In the case of the activities of Majadahonda TECH the volunteer should be, in addition, interested in technology and innovation.
- Interested in digital communication