

Koosa Youth Club



About the Hosting Organisation

Koosa YouthClub is located in East-Estonia, 30 km distance from Tartu and about 10 km from us there is Lake Peipsi.

The main aim of the NGO Koosa YouthClub (MTÜ Koosa Noorteklubi) is to offer different opportunities for the youngsters that they can voluntarily do and participate outside of the school, family and work.

Target group of the NGO are youngsters (7-26 year). Youngsters who are mostly visting our centre are 7-10 and 15-24 years old. About 15-20 youngsters in a day. NGO Koosa Noorteklubi is also offering different oppurtunites for all of the community. Thats why we have activites for kids, for youngsters, for old peole and so on. In our youthcenter we have different activites every day. Like dancing, cooking, creative acitivites and so on. Our youthcenter is open from Monday to Friday 14.00 - 18.00. Openingtimes are flexible and will change according to events. In Koosa we have lots of youngsters whose motherlanguage is Russian not Estonian, but they are also speaking Estonian.

We write various projects for activities and events. In youthcenter we have table tennis, lots of boardgames, two computers. In our building we have musicclass where is possible to learn piano. We also have brand-new drumset and electric guitar.

Village Koosa is 30 km of Tartu. Tartu, with its population of 100,000 in an area of 38.8 squarekilometres, is the second largest city of Estonia. Tartu, lying 185 kilometres south of Tallinn, is also the centre of Southern Estonia. The Emajõgi River, which connects the two largest lakes of Estonia, flows for the length of 10 kilometres within the citylimits and adds colour to the city. Tartu is a Town of University. In Tartu there are theatre, two cinemas, tradcentres, nightclubs, water park and so on. More information about Tartu you can find on https://www.tartu.ee/?lang_id=2.

In Koosa we have 500 villagers. Koosa is rural area with woods and fields. In our village we have youthcenter, community center, library, kindergatren, two little foodshop and pharmacy. Between Koosa and Tartu we have very good transportation.

NGO Koosa Noorteklubi is little NGO where is today six members. NGO is established 29.07.2003. NGO have general agreement with Vara township. According to the agreement NGO has to deal with youthwork and with culture in Koosa. NGO have two workers – one youthworker and cultural work organizer and one youth worker.



Context

Village Koosa is a little village that is located in Tartu county in Vara township. Between Koosa and Tartu is 30 kilometers and we have very good transportation to Tartu. In Koosa there is about 500 villagers. Koosa is a rural area. Near Koosa is Lake Peipsi (10 km). We

have lots of people who's motherlanguage is Russian, not Estonian. In Vara township there are 1909 people and 51,4 % are men and 48,6% are women. There is 16,3 % age 0-15, 67,2 % age 16-64 and 16,5 % pensioner.

In village we have youthcenter, communitycenter, library, kindergarten, pharmacy and two little food shops. Middle of the village there is a little lake where we can swim and there is also possible to catch fish. Unfortunately lots of people don't work and in village we don't have jobs to offer.

Proposed Activities for the Volunteer

Activities with different ages of community members - kids, youngsters, adults and so on. Mostly the volunteer will be in youthcenter with youthworker. Youngsters who are mostly visiting center are ages 7-10 and 15-24 and are mostly boys. In youthcenter we have lots of gameboards, table tennis, two computers. We have musicclass where is possible to learn piano and also have brand-new drumset and electric guitar. Also the volunteer is involved to community center work, like different events and projects.



Our youthcenter is open Monday to Friday 14.00 - 18.00, but openingtimes are flexible and may change according to events. In our building we also have communitycenter and daycenter. Daycenter is open twice a week and the targetgroup is mostly old people. On day they are cooking and one day they are doing handwork.



In communitycenter we are celebrate different events, writing projects and organize different free-time activities.



The volunteer has opportunity to create their own events or projects. NGO Koosa Noorteklubi is going to support the volunteer and his/her ideas as we can. Also motivation is very important.

Profile of the Volunteer

NGO Koosa Noorteklubi is mostly working with rural youngsters that's why our volunteer can't be with criminal background.

Our organization is not ready to work with youngsters who have special needs, like disability. Our youthcenter is on the second floor and we have stairs but don't have elevators.

The volunteer has to be motivated to work with rural youngsters. We have musicclass, where it is possible to learn piano, brand-new drumset and electricguitar, but we don't have anyone who can play these last two instruments. So it will be wonderful if our volunteer plays these instruments.