# Call of participants «Genders» European Youth Exchange

From 7th to 20th August 2023







## Context:

In the heart of the Hautes Alpes, the association "Les Villages des Jeunes" has been managing, livening up and renovating the reception center of Vaunières since 1964. It is an old mountain hamlet, now a 'springboard' place for youth and adults experiencing family, health or professional difficulties, and who need to take some time to recharge, acquire new skills and reflect on their plans. Vaunières is also a place where families, tourists and people with disabilities come on holiday to enjoy the calm of the mountains and the dynamics of the aera. The work camps that we organise at Vaunières with volunteers from all over the world allow us to strengthen the cultural diversity of our activities and to make this site open to the world, a place where people of all ages and all social and cultural backgrounds agree to meet by working together and sharing collective life. We hope that you too, a volunteer from France or abroad, will come in this spirit of meeting and working together which brings our project to life.



"Genders and sexualities" youth exchange aims at deconstructing prejudices and building a society open to all. During this project, you will participate in and animate workshops (debate, movies, theatre...) about genders and sexualities. The goal is to define and to reflect upon these topics. This project will mix people from 4 differents countries and it will help to have different perspectives and cultural backgrounds.

## The project

#### Reflexion about the notion of genders and sexualities

For this youth exchange, we invite you to participate in activities around genders and sexualities. You will participat at some debats, create some workshop for the people on the village and you will create posters for awareness about the genders and sexualities.

This exchange, apart from the "genders" theme, will also be an opportunity for you to meet people from different countries, with varied backgrounds....

During this exchange, you will also be able to experience life within a collective. There will therefore be workshops to offer to organize daily life, activities... Everyone is expected to take part in everyday life.

You will be fully involved in this exchange! You can therefore offer workshops, activities...

#### Accomodation

You will sleep in tents and will have access to all the facilities of the center (dining room, kitchen, showers and toilets). Daily tasks (meals, cleaning etc) are shared with all volunteers.

#### Free time

You will organise your free time and leisure that could fit to the group expectations, regarding budget, time andavailable leisure. Therefore, you plan and realize free-time activities together in the region around the project place. It is up to each of you to take an active role in the camp life in a way that is comfortable for you and for the whole group.

These possibilities can be really diversified (regionaltourism, local events, inhabitants' meetings, green tourism, etc.). It is the responsibility of all participants to organise your free time and to participate to the good dynamism of the group.

The closest cities are: Gap (40 km), Grenoble (100 km), Sisteron (60 km), Marseille (200 km).

### Informations

#### **Conditions**

Participants should be aged 18 to 30. There is no age limit for group leaders. No specific skills are required to take part in this project, just a strong motivation to experience a multicultural collective life. Participants having experience in this field and willing to share their knowledge are welcome! Bring your music instruments and songs with you if you have some.

Your group will consist of 20 participants. Please note that other groups will live with you at Vaunières at the same time: volunteers, teenagers, permanents, workers...

The language used during the exchange will depend on the group and the capacities of each volunteer, but English and French are the common languages on these projects.

#### **Transports / Reimbursement**

The closest airports with the easiest connections to Veynes Devoluy are Marseille Provence, Lyon Saint Exupéry, Paris, Grenoble. Shuttle buses make the connections between the airports and the stations.

You can check train time tables on www.oui.sncf (or look at the possibilitiesbelow); You have to go to Veynes Dévoluy train station.

If you come by car, please take a detailed map! We will meet at Veynes Devoluy train station. Check out the advice roads on: www.mappy.fr

#### About the reimbursement:

We can reimburse your tickets up to 275€ and for that you have to keep the original tickets, boarding pass...

If you want, you can find more information about our organisation on those to websites: https://www.solidaritesjeunesses.org/ and http://www.villagesdesjeunes.org/







