



**Comunità
Servizi**
Coop. Sociale Onlus



Coordinating organization: Progetto Zattera Blu

Receiving organization: Comunità Servizi (located in Schio, Italy)

Title of the project: U.L.Y.S.S.E.S – UNDERTAKE LEARNING AND YOUNG SUPPORT STRATEGIES FOR AN EQUAL SOCIETY

Period of volunteering: 01/09/2017-30/06/2018 (10 months)

Looking for a Romanian EVS candidate with the following features:

- creative, patient and proactive person;
- a friendly, communicative and active attitude;
- wishing of developing interpersonal relationships;
- strong interest in volunteering in the context described below and to have intensive experience of work with people with disabilities;
- willingness for live in a small, traditional and provincial town;
- open-minded and with a responsible attitude to better understand the learning process and the rules of cohabitation;
- to be interested in learning a different European language.

Description of the receiving organization

"Comunità Servizi" is located in Schio (almost 40000 inhabitants), a village lying at the foot of the Small Dolomites, mountains famous all over the world for their beauty that makes them a tourist destination for skiers and hikers. Places that have sadly also been protagonists and witnesses of the First World War.

"Comunità Servizi" is a social cooperative that provides social services and assistance to adults with disabilities aged between 15 and 65 and in possession of a certificate of gravity in according to the Italian national law 104/92 art. 3 paragraph 1 and 3. In particular, it works with people with severe mental retardation and medium or reduced physical autonomy.

Our goal is to offer adequate support in a small and familiar environment where people with disabilities can develop residual autonomies and abilities.

All social workers and educators working in our cooperative are highly trained to take care of them and we believe EVS youngsters can be a great support for the implementation of some of these activities; in fact we think that new enthusiastic young volunteers will help us in building a nice, warm and familiar atmosphere.

This last point is something that interests us as a priority for our guests' accommodation. At the same time, we believe that European volunteers can bring enthusiasm, skills, new ideas and perspectives and renewed spirit of initiative. All this can be useful both for educators and for the guests of the community.

More info (in Italian): www.comunita-servizi.it

Location:

Schio - Province of Vicenza - Veneto region – Italy

see it on Google maps → <https://goo.gl/maps/CNDbpu59mRS2>





Topic: disability/social inclusion

Role and tasks:

The EVS volunteer will provide support to educators in:

- Activities of animation: the activities are drawn up on a three-month program that provides full-day trips, parties and community participation in parties organized by other (charitable organizations, scouts, municipalities, other cooperatives ...) This allows guests to get in touch with the local community.
- Activities in the gym: it takes place with a psychomotricist, these are small movements and group games often accompanied by music.
- Activities in the pool: especially in summer, a couple of times a month, always accompanied by psychomotor therapist.
- workshops: we create small workshops (for example cooking activities, group games, reading the newspaper, listening to audio books ...), and guests are divided into subgroups according to the interest and the mood of the day and participate in laboratories.
- Gardening: simple gardening activities are carried out by the guests, including vegetable gardening. Fruits and vegetables are then consumed by the guests themselves.
- Music Therapy: music therapy provides an approach that recognizes and develops innate people's resources. It helps the individual to increase its self- consciousness, and, on a wider meaning, to make known to every human being its potential .
- Artistic activities: painting and pottery.
- Activities with schools: we work with primary and secondary schools in the area of Thiene and Schio preparing cooking workshops, play-motor activities, music workshops, presentations or simple activities of the community. This activity is carried out in order to promote the culture of acceptance and to offer our guests the chance of socialize.

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS

- Food: at the beginning of the month the volunteer will be given of the necessary amount of money to buy food + meals in the host community
- Accommodation: In a flat shared with other 3 evs volunteers. Double room bedroom. The community is about 30 minutes by bicycle (provide by the receiving organization). The flat is located in Santorso (a little town close to Schio), connected also by buses.

- Working hours: 31 hours/week (1 of tutoring)
- Day off: 2 days/week. As the community works 365 day/year the activities will be carried out also in the weekends. The volunteer will have two weekends (Saturday and Sunday) free in a month whereas the other free days will be enjoyed during the weekdays.
- Holidays: 2 days/month (they can be gathered and enjoyed maximum in 15 consecutive days) and a whole week on Christmas time. Other holidays could be planned by agreeing with the tutor
- Pocket money: 120 Euro/month, paid every month by cash
- Local transport: the organization provides a bicycle. In case of bad weather an alternative transport to the community will be arranged
- Language support: it will be organised an Italian language course for the volunteer with a professional teacher. Also the volunteer will have the chance to use the Online linguistic support, an online course provided by EU
- Trainings and support: guaranteed by the sending, receiving and coordinating organizations
- Hosting guests: it is forbidden to host people that don't belong to our projects. In case someone of your family or your boy/girlfriend or friends would like to visit you, the receiving organisation will help you to find a solution.
- Insurance: sending organization is responsible for the volunteer's insurance (Cigna), all the parties are obliged to get acquainted with the insurance rules. The volunteer is responsible of payment of any medical expenses during the evs service and he/she has to fill out the Healthcare Claim form to get the reimbursement by MSH International.
- Leisure: the volunteer will be given of all the necessary informations about leisure activities he/she can enjoy during the free time

HOW TO APPLY: Send cv and motivation letter: evs@progettozatterablu.it.