

# **EVS Placement in Cracow, Poland– “Youth for diverse Europe” – Working with disabled adults**



**Project name:** „Youth for diverse Europe“

**Location:** Cracow, Poland

**Host Organization and web link:** [https://europa.eu/youth/volunteering/organisation/943867522\\_pl](https://europa.eu/youth/volunteering/organisation/943867522_pl)

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**Local coordinating organization and web link:** Internationaler Bund Polska/ <http://www.ib-polska.pl/>

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**European Youth Portal Database Link:** [https://europa.eu/youth/volunteering/project/709\\_pl](https://europa.eu/youth/volunteering/project/709_pl)

**Sending Organization:** UNA Exchange – [www.unaexchange.org](http://www.unaexchange.org) / [evscoordinator@unaexchange.org](mailto:evscoordinator@unaexchange.org)

**Dates:** 1/08/2016-28/02/2017 <the beginning date of project is flexible>

## **Host Organisation Description:**

### **Proposed activities/ Volunteer tasks:**

1. The volunteers will be assisting the therapists and pedagogues in realizing the therapy programs for disabled persons on everyday basis. In detail, they will be responsible for helping them with their work during workshop hours, taking general care of them and helping with the organisation and realisation of cultural, sports events. The volunteers will learn how to encounter disabled people intellectually and how to help them in everyday life situations. By that, they will be able to develop sympathy for the needs of other persons and of course develop personally. The volunteers are welcome to bring in their own ideas and have the opportunity to organise projects and workshops by themselves.
2. The Volunteer is expected to develop his/her own initiatives in small communities within the towns or cities Internationaler Bund Polska carries activities in (cultural and artistic events with children, organisation of recreational activities for youth, local sports events, work with elderly people, implementation of educational and EVS promotional events, etc.)
3. As EU established 2016 as the Year of European Identity and Solidarity and recent migration crisis in Europe that became a crucial test for Europeans, volunteers participating in the project will meet with migration expert (European Parliament depute, political scientist or publicist) to discuss the aspects of multiculturalism, social diversity, solidarity and European identity with the background of current political situation in Europe. As a result of the meeting, volunteers will prepare a poster with infographic summarizing the conclusions of the meeting. Moreover, Volunteers of the project accompanied by local youth will create „Multicultural Cracow” treasure hunt scenario and invite young people to participate in the treasure-hunting event, which will be followed by the summing-up meeting and discussion about diversity of Europe. We aim to reinforce the idea of the treasure hunt in the board-game form, which will be used as an innovative educational tool in the future.

**The practical arrangements (working hours, days off, holidays):**

- Each volunteer will work from Monday to Friday, 30 hours per week, that is, **no longer** than 6 hours a day. . The volunteers works usually from 9.00 till 15:00 and change facilities during the week.
- Volunteers will have 2 days off per month (altogether 20 days throughout the project, which can be taken off monthly or all together for a bigger holiday). In all cases volunteers **have to** inform their hosting organization/ coordinating organization about their whereabouts.
- All polish holidays are also free for the volunteer.

**Living environment: (Accommodation, food, money, transport, location information...):****Food:**

Volunteers will get money for food every month from coordinating institution (around 350 PLN) + there may be a possibility to eat meals in host institutions.

**Accommodation:**

- a) Volunteer will be accommodated in a room (in most cases shared with another volunteer) with access to kitchen and bathroom.
- b) Volunteers will share a flat together, they usually have double rooms.
- c) Flats are furnished and equipped with pillows, duvet covers, pillow cases and washing machine.
- d) Internet connection /Wi-Fi is not provided, however it is possible to arrange it (prices vary from 15-30 PLN/monthly per person).

**Money:**

The volunteer will receive every month pocket money which amounts to around 350 PLN

**Volunteer profile:** – 18-30 at time of application, UK resident before and after departure, valid passport for at least 1 year after end of activity.

**Travel:** You may have to contribute towards some or all of your travel costs to this project as it is a replacement for a volunteer who fell ill and therefore the budget has been used up.

**How to apply:**

1. Please fill out the form: <https://eu.jotform.com/?formID=60663663796368>
2. Then please wait for the invitation for taking part in skype interview.