

ESC individual volunteering project in France with Concordia Rhône-Alpes and Centre socio-culturel Louis Braille (Saint-Priest)

"Animation and Intercultural Exchange in Saint-Priest" 12 months project September 2022 - August 2023

Concordia Rhône-Alpes, 2016-1-FR02-KA110-012049, as coordinating organization, proposes an ESC volunteering project for **12 months** (September 2022-August 2023) in the hosting organization called the Centre socio-culturel Louis Braille.

The Centre socio-culturel Louis Braille is located in Saint-Priest, city in the close suburbs of Lyon. It is a non-profit association whose aim is to contribute to the improvement of the quality of life of the locals by reinforcing the social links and allowing each person to be actor and.

The organization proposes several services and activities answering the needs of the locals from Saint-Priest city:

- Leisure time activities for children from 3 to 17 years old;
- Educational support for children; help with their homework;
- Literacy classes;
- Social support for families;
- Support for holiday departure and family outings;
- Support for inhabitants' initiatives;
- Organisation of manifestations and events in the neighborhood.

The office of Concordia Rhône-Alpes (the coordinating organisation of this ESC project) is situated in Lyon, where the volunteer will live as well.

Project environment

The main part of the ESC project will occur in the facilities of the Centre socio-culturel Louis Braille, situated in Saint-Priest, city in the close suburbs of Lyon, reachable by public transportation.

Lyon city is the capital of the Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region and finds itself at the heart of a natural showcase made up of vines, lakes, mountains and volcanos. The Lyon Metropole is a territorial community that encompasses the 59 communes that make up Greater Lyon (1.3 million inhabitants). This territory is a great playground to be explored, with many activities devoted to games, sports, well-being, hiking, typical markets, and guided tours. Lyon is dynamic and modern

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city that draws its strength from its world-famous traditions, which are gastronomy, silk and cinema. Probably this is the reason why it is among the Top 10 most popular European cities on Google* and in 2016 it was elected Europe's Leading City Break Destination during the World Travel Awards.

Lyon is a city with excellent **transport links**. Whether it be by plane (with the 4th busiest airport in France and over 120 regular direct national and international routes), train or TGV (with 3 stations, including Part-Dieu, the largest international station in France) or car, it's easy to get to Lyon, and once you're here, just as easy to get around the city (with 4 metro lines, 2 funiculars railways (aka "ficelles"), 4 tram lines and 120 bus lines, the Lyon Metropole boasts one of the densest public transport networks (TCL) in France; Vélo'v has more than 4,000 shareable bikes that assures a practical, eco-friendly and cheap way of scouring the 483 kilometres of cycling routes in the city).

The city of Saint-Priest is part of the Lyon Metropole; it's reachable by the tramline T2 from the city center of Lyon. Saint-Priest is a city of 46 784 inhabitants.

Tasks and activities

The volunteer will support the Centre socio-culturel Louis Braille staff, with the main goal to favour intercultural and linguistic awareness among the children of Saint-Priest and to support the organisation of educational and pedagogical activities for the children, and their families.

In particular the activities will deal with:

• Intercultural awareness

- Be an ambassador of his/her own country.
- Organise intercultural workshops to make the children discover his/her country and other European countries.

• Pedagogical and educational activities

- Linguistic support in English for the children of Saint-Priest / sociocultural education classes in English.
- Providing educative support to children from 6 to 11 years old and to teenagers from
 11 to 20 years old; Help them with their homework.
- Propose and organize workshops and activities to the children of Saint-Priest on various topics: environment and sustainable development, cultural activities (plastic arts, land art, music...).
- Propose and organize outdoor activities in the neighborhood, next to the buildings.

The detailed activities will be defined both by the volunteer and the Centre socio-culturel's team, according to the volunteer's skills and interests.

<u>Requirements</u>

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- · A good knowledge of french would be very helpful;
- Taste for teamwork;
- Good interpersonal skills;
- Flexibility, autononomy and sense of organization;
- · Availability for a 12 months project starting at the beginning of September 2022.

Practical conditions

- Working Hours: The volunteer will work around 30 hours per week, distributed over 5 days a week. He/she will have 5 weeks of holiday over the year + the national holidays.
- Living conditions:
 - Accommodation will be provided. The accommodation of the volunteer will be in a flatsharing residence in Oullins "So Coloc" which is 15 minutes away by metro from the Plateforme. Nearby the residence there are public transports and all kind of conveniences. The volunteer will share this flat with up to 7 young people (french and/or Erasmus students, ESC volunteers). In the flat, there is a shared living room and a shared kitchen all equipped as well as two bathrooms. Wi-Fi will also be
 - o **Budget:** Concordia will provide every month to the volunteer food money (7,50€ per day) + pocket money (6,00 € per day).

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