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EVS IN LATVIA WITH BALDONE CHILDREN DAY CENTRE « BALTAIS ĒRGLIS »

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Baldone County local government is a local administration which, through bodies of representatives elected by citizens – municipality council – and authorities and institutions established by them, ensures the performance of the functions prescribed by law, as well as the performance of tasks assigned by Cabinet according to the procedures specified by law, and local government voluntary initiatives, observing the interests of the State and of the residents of the relevant administrative territory.

The Municipality initiates social, educational, project etc. activities that fall in line with the development plans of its territory and address corresponding local population groups which may apply the knowledge and skills they possess.

Children's afternoon center "Baltis ērglis" aim is to develop meaningful leisure time opportunities for children and young people, creating optimal conditions for children and young people's intellectual development, self-education, creative work, leisure, as well as to promote social inclusion of groups at risk.

Center facilities are extensive and diverse, serving as a refuge for the child, as the realization of the idea of a place where expects empathy and understanding, acceptance and love, as well as strict discipline. Children's center have regular visitors, as well as children who only occasionally visit the center, so it is not organized for specific classes or activities to time, but intuitively, guided by the current situation. Here there are negotiations and discussions on various topics of life, workshops, thematic afternoons, are able to play table games, discuss news and current events, to drink tea, as well as meet up with old or meet new friends.

PROJECT ENVIRONMENT

Project activities mainly will be organised in Baldone municipality. Baldone is historically best known for its natural resources – healing mud and underground mineral water, which facilitated the development of a health resort.

The territory of Baldone municipality holds several notable objects of architecture – hunting castle of Baltic head forester panne Mickevich, also known as the “White castle”, Mercendarbe manor, which used to belong to the former owner of Baldone health resort – Von Liven family with its linden ally and the 19th century Lutheran church. The highest hill “Riekstu kalns” is home to the 10th largest observatory in World. In winter time, it’s a great place for winter sports.

Video about Baldone:

<https://youtu.be/TSBD7VsPh9s>

More information about Latvia:

<http://www.latvia.travel/en>

ROLE AND TASKS OF THE VOLUNTEER

Objectives of the proposed EVS project:

To involve a European volunteer in the promotion of international voluntary service as a practice of active citizenship, intercultural education and personal and social growth in the local community;

To give the volunteer the chance of active participation in the implementation and development of a specific project, which constitutes an opportunity of individual development.

Volunteer will be involved in the following activities:

1. Taking part on the preparation and realization of activities in children day centre which are mostly based on organizing leisure time activities for them.
2. It could be possibilities take part on the preparation and realization of activities in youth centre which are mostly based on organizing leisure time activities for young people – trainings, outdoor activities, and daily youth centre activities etc.
3. Promoting EVS for youth.

The detailed activities will be defined both by the volunteer and project coordinators, according to the volunteer's skills and interests.

PROFILE

Who are we looking for? We do not have any specific criteria for our volunteers. However, the project is focused on working with youth and children. We would be interested to host the volunteer with some communication skills and interests in topic we are working with - volunteering, participation, leisure time of youth, information etc. It would be helpful if the volunteer is communicative, open minded, creative, flexible, independent and would be motivated in working with youth and for youth. We would be happy if the volunteer will be interested in Latvia, its people and culture and wish to learn Latvian language.



PRACTICAL CONDITIONS

Activity period: From March 1st, 2018 to February 28th, 2019 (12 months).

Working Hours: The volunteer will work approx. 36 hours per week

Working and living conditions: Accommodation will be provided. The volunteer will be accommodated in the rented flat.

She/he will have her/his own or shared room and she/he will have shared bathroom/kitchen with one another volunteer. Internet access will be also available. In addition, the volunteer will get pocket money 3€ per day and 5€ a day for the food, following EVS funding rules.

The volunteer will be individually followed by a dedicated mentor.

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