



Soziale Arbeit

Der Projektbereich Soziale Arbeit beinhaltet alle Projekte, in denen es um die Stärkung des Zusammenlebens und die Verbesserung der gesellschaftlichen Situation von Jugendlichen und Erwachsenen geht (Falls Sie gerne mit Kindern arbeiten möchten, schauen Sie unter dem Projektbereich Kindererziehung). Die Aufgaben, welche Volunteers in diesem Bereich übernehmen, sind sehr vielfältig: Familien beraten, in Empowerment-Gruppen mithelfen, benachteiligte Schichten über ihre Rechte informieren, Menschen mit psychischer und/oder physischer Einschränkung betreuen und vieles mehr.

„Anfangs frustrierte es mich ein wenig, nur der „Handlanger“ zu sein – schliesslich war ich doch hergekommen, um wirklich etwas für die einheimische Bevölkerung zu tun. Ich entdeckte aber mit der Zeit, dass ich meine geplanten grossen Taten verschieben und man immer im Kleinen beginnen muss. Wenigstens ein paar Jugendlichen helfen, sich selbst weiterzuentwickeln, ihren Weg jenseits von Drogen und Alkohol zu finden, ihnen durch Erzählungen aufzuzeigen, dass es auch eine Welt ausserhalb ihres Quartiers, ausserhalb von La Paz (das sie oft noch gar nie verlassen hatten), ausserhalb Boliviens gibt.“

(Rahel, Teilnehmerin Freiwilligeneinsatz in Bolivien, 2009)

In welchen Ländern gibt es Projekte im Bereich Soziale Arbeit?

- Argentinien
- Australien
- Belgien (Flämisch und Französisch)
- Bolivien
- Brasilien
- China
- Costa Rica
- Dänemark
- Deutschland
- Dominikanische Republik
- Honduras
- Indien
- Indonesien
- Kenia
- Mexico
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Südafrika
- Thailand
- Tunesien
- Venezuela

Die Projekte sind saisonal abhängig und werden nicht im Voraus garantiert. Auch in anderen Ländern können auf Anfrage Gesundheitsprojekte möglich sein.

Projektbeispiele

BELGIEN (Französisch) – La Fontaine

La Fontaine is a non profit organization founded in 1996. It is a health and hygiene place for homeless people (mainly men). We have 4 missions: Improve hygiene in order to help people to socialize again, listen to the suffering, improve public health, as well as give back self-confidence to the homeless people, and give them back confidence in the structures of the society; help them in their different steps to reintegrate into society.

The volunteer will work in different activities. He or she should expect to meet wounded people, hurt and offended people, who have suffered and sometimes are still suffering (physically or mentally).



ARGENTINIEN - Casa Para Mayores Villa Borges

Villa Borges is an independent organization that gives geriatric services in two different ways, to the elderly people through the benefit that is given a national social security and others that counts with the benefit of having health insurance or self resources. Also, we are working on an agreement through the Italian Consulate to assist elderly Italian immigrants with scarce resources. The Volunteer will help in the centre and assist the elders.

BRASILIEN – Barra Surf School

The pedagogical program of Barra Surf School includes the following subjects: safe and security; equipments; maneuvers; the history of surf; ecology and environmental education; competitions. They offer regular lessons attended most by local youth from Barra da Tijuca. The special program “Surfing without Limits” offers free lessons for people with disabilities coming from poor communities. The program takes place each two weeks. The NGO organizes surf trips, ecological tours and internal contest for the students.

INDIEN – Refugee Support Project

This NGO works with migrants from countries like Pakistan, Afghanistan, Nepal and Bangladesh. It is collaborating with UNHCR, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. It is helping refugees with accommodations and vocational training, so they can take up income generating activities. Volunteers will be giving general social support and help the refugees with their daily tasks such as filling in forms etc.

PERU - Asociacion Solidaridad

The foundation Asociacion Solidaridad was founded in 2003. It is a shelter for teenager mothers, and we provide them material and moral support. Some of these women had suffered sexual abuse, were morally abandoned and are extremely poor. We offer nutrition and sanitary information, besides we help them to complete their regular education looking to insert them into the labor market. We organize workshops as making-up or cooking candies (chocotejas). The volunteer will work with both the teenage mothers and their children. They will help in the daily routine and provide support in this difficult situation.

PARAGUAY - Servicio de Apoyo Indigena

Servicio de Apoyo Indigena is promoting human rights and equal opportunities. It works with local indigenous communities. The organization gives technical services to the communities or organizations. It offers help with lands legalization, and aims to prepare teachers, leaders and people who promote the rights of the people and also issues such as health. The organization was founded in 1990 but there are projects about this issue since 1978. The volunteer is expected to have a good Spanish ability. Some Guarani knowledge is also necessary to be able to work successfully in the project.

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