Jeugdzorg emmaüs Antwerpen

Jeugdzorg Emmaüs Antwerp is looking for volunteers

Are you at least 20 years old? – Do you enjoy working for an organisation with disadvantaged young people and their families? – Do you possess technical skills and do you like fysical work? – Are you creative, flexible, enthusiastic, engaging, empathic, open to new ideas, curious and eager to learn and grow?

If so, we have an opportunity for you! You can start volunteering with us in 2026 and stay for one year. Your volunteering will take place at our 3 locations around Antwerp. At this locations, we assist families from the child welfare system and unaccompanied minor refugees, in becoming more independent. You work together with the facility and logistics employees. You help with the maintenance of the garden and buildings.

We provide

- A studio near the city centre of Antwerp (Kiel district). The studio is located at one of our residential sites where young people live.
- Transport by public transport or a bicycle provided by our organisation.
- A monthly food budget of €300.
- Pocket money according to ESC regulations.
- On-arrival and midterm training provided by the National Agency.
- Dutch language lessons.
- A professional and well-established organisation with a broad range of youth care services.
- A committed and supportive team where you are never left on your own.
- Plenty of space for dialogue, initiative, and collaboration — because we believe we achieve more together.
- A dynamic organisation that continuously evolves and looks ahead.
- Opportunities for personal growth within a meaningful and socially engaged environment.

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Your tasks

- Maintaining the garden (weeding, mowing te lawn, pruning).
- Cleaning the living space of the young people, the meeting rooms, the toilets,…
- Technical support for replacing lamps, painting, moving, handyman work,…
- Be present and serve as a positive role model for the youngsters.
- A driven licence for a car is not mandatory but highly recommended.

We are looking for a volunteer who:

- Is at least 20 years old.
- Is willing to commit for one year.
- Is open to learning and eager to gain experience in working with young people.
- Has a personal passion or hobby (sports, music, arts, crafts, cooking, nature, technical skills, etc.) that they are willing to share with young people.
- Is respectful, patient, and genuinely interested in young people and their development.
- Is flexible and able to adapt to a changing schedule (including day, evening, and occasional weekend activities).
- Is willing to learn Dutch and open to finding ways to communicate in a shared language with young people and colleagues.
- Stays calm and attentive in challenging situations.
- Is self-aware and willing to reflect on their own actions and personal growth.
- Supports young people in developing their strengths and talents.
- Shows commitment and respect towards everyone involved in the young person's life.

You do not need previous professional experience — motivation, openness, and a willingness to grow are most important.

More info: Kaat Van Praet – 0498 90 47 95

How to apply?

Please apply online.