Care Travel

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VOLUNTEER AT CARE2TRAVEL!

START: 15 SEPTEMBER

LONG-TERM VOLUNTEERING ADVENTURE IN ROMANIA

Our Philosophy

Care2Travel is a non-profit organisation with over 15 years of experience in working with volunteers: we've hosted over 1,000 individual and 400 group volunteers so far. We believe in the power of people to create positive change, and work to build a more active, socially aware society through meaningful volunteer experiences. We promote volunteering in Romania and help to foster an active civil society.

About us

Care2Travel specializes in volunteer management. We bring international volunteers to work in the local community on ethical projects including:

Teaching
After School Support
Special Needs
Sustainable Agriculture
NGO Support
Summer Camps
Renovation
Community Building

We focus on enriching the cultural experience for both volunteers and locals by organising activities such as quiz nights, language clubs, managing a community garden, offering training, and hosting team-building events for our local volunteers.

Location

Our organization is based in the center of Miercurea Ciuc.

This is a small town with a population of about 34,000 inhabitants. It lies in the Székely Land, a mainly Hungarian-speaking ethnocultural region in eastern Transylvania, and is situated in the Olt River valley. Miercurea Ciuc has a cool continental climate, without a dry season.

Although activities take place in Romania, most of the locals are Hungarian speakers.

Logistical matters

1.Accomodation

- Max. 2 volunteers in the same room, with gender-separated rooms.
- Fully furnished accommodation.
- A well-equipped kitchen.
- Bathroom with toilets and showers.
- Shared kitchen and bathroom with other volunteers living at the accommodation.
- Basic furniture items in the rooms of volunteers.
- Wi-Fi and internet connection in the accommodation.

*Our volunteer house is also home to a few friendly cats and a dog living in the garden. Volunteers share the responsibility of looking after them, which is part of everyday life in our community.

OUR VOLUNTEER HOUSE IS ALSO HOME TO A FEW FRIENDLY CATS AND A DOG LIVING IN THE GARDEN. VOLUNTEERS SHARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF LOOKING AFTER THEM, WHICH IS PART OF EVERYDAY LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY.

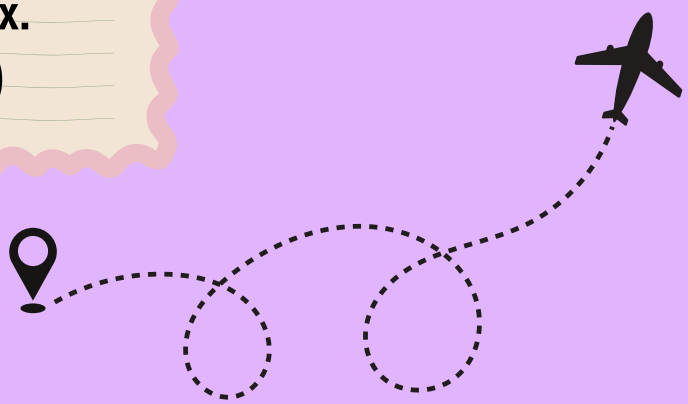
2.Food and pocket money

We will provide a food allowance and pocket money to volunteers.

Pocket money is 4 EUR/day (approx. 120 EUR/month).

The food allowance is 5 EUR/day (approx. 150 EUR/month)

3.Travel



YOU WILL ARRANGE YOUR TRAVEL, BUT CARE2TRAVEL WILL REIMBURSE YOU FOR YOUR ROUND TRIP.

IF YOUR COSTS EXCEED THE LIMIT (BASED ON THE ESC GUIDE), YOU'LL NEED TO COVER THE EXTRA, BUT PLEASE CONTACT THE PROJECT COORDINATOR FIRST TO EXPLORE POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS.

IF YOU ARRIVE BY TRAIN, IT'S EASY TO REACH OUR TOWN. ONCE YOU ARRIVE AT THE TRAIN OR BUS STATION, A STAFF MEMBER WILL PICK YOU UP AND TAKE YOU TO YOUR ACCOMMODATION.

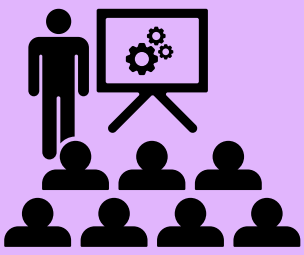
Arrival day: 14 September

4.Health insurance

FOR YOUR SAFETY AND PROTECTION, WE WILL MAKE SURE THAT PRIOR TO YOUR ARRIVAL, YOU HAVE THE EUROPEAN HEALTH INSURANCE CARD (EHIC) AS THIS IS THE PRIMARY INSURANCE FOR THE VOLUNTEERS. WE WILL ALSO ENSURE YOU ARE ENROLLED IN THE COMPLEMENTARY INSURANCE SYSTEM, WHICH IS THE **HENNER**.

5.Training during the project

- ON-ARRIVAL/MID-TERM TRAINING SESSIONS ORGANISED BY THE ROMANIAN NATIONAL AGENCY
- HUNGARIAN OR ROMANIAN LANGUAGE SUPPORT (ONLINE OR IN-PERSON)
- WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO USE THE GENERAL ONLINE TRAINING AS PART OF YOUR LEARNING JOURNEY

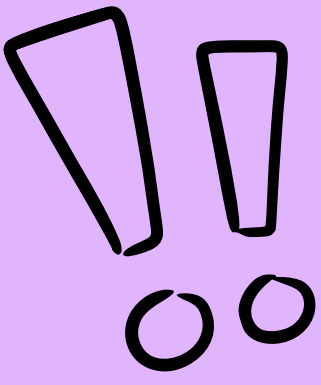


6.CERTIFICATES

At the end of the volunteering activity, you are entitled to receive a Youthpass certificate. thIS documents all the skills, competences, AND non-formal learning outcomes you gained during the project. You will also receive an ESC Certificate.

IMPORTANT!

- ALTHOUGH ACTIVITIES TAKE PLACE IN ROMANIA, THE MAJORITY OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY HAS HUNGARIAN ETHNICITY, MEANING THAT MOST OF THE LOCALS ARE HUNGARIAN SPEAKERS.
- VOLUNTEERS CAN WORK TOGETHER WITH US AND CREATE MATERIALS IN OUR OFFICE, WHICH IS 20 MINUTES FROM THEIR ACCOMMODATION BY BIKE AND A 40-MINUTE WALK.
- VOLUNTEERS WILL WORK FLEXIBLY FOR 6-7 HOURS A DAY, 5 DAYS A WEEK.
- VOLUNTEERS WILL GET 2 DAYS OF HOLIDAY PER MONTH, ACCORDING TO ESC GUIDELINES.



We have 3 available projects

- 1. ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE HOMES 5.0
- 2. TEACHING AND CARE IN AFTERSCHOOL CLUBS 5.0
- 3. COMMUNITY INCLUSION 4.0

1. Activities for children in foster care homes 5.0

PARTICIPANT PROFILE

- 3 VOLUNTEERS
- AGED BETWEEN 18-30 YEARS
- GOOD ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS (ESPECIALLY SPOKEN)
- MOTIVATION TO VOLUNTEER WITH CHILDREN
- SPECIFIC INTEREST IN THE TOPIC OF ENVIRONMENT
- DESIRE TO STEP OUT OF THEIR COMFORT ZONE
- COMMITMENT TO LIVING FOR 8,5 MONTHS IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY

- HAS URGE TO DEVELOP THEIR COMMUNICATION AND COOPERATION SKILLS, AND TO RECOGNIZE THEIR STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES WITHIN A TEAM
- EAGERNESS TO IMPROVE THEIR PRACTICAL SKILLS IN THE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ACTIVITIES
- WANTS TO HAVE A MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY
- MOTIVATION FOR THE CREATION OF A BOOKLET WITH GAMES TO USE WITH THE KIDS
- IS CREATIVE AND TAKES INITIATIVE

The main focus of this activity will be on the topic of the **Environment**

3 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 8,5 MONTHS

Activity description

Volunteering in Miercurea-Ciuc is all about making a real difference in the lives of children aged 7 to 18 living in five foster care homes. These kids come from tough backgrounds and need support with English, homework, life skills, and social development. Volunteers spend 1 to 3.5 hours daily running creative learning activities, playing games, and organizing fun outdoor adventures like picnics and sports.

Teamwork is key, with volunteers planning, brainstorming, and evaluating activities together. Mornings are for prep, language classes, and team meetings, while the real action happens in the afternoons. Volunteers also help with school pickups when needed and keep track of progress through reports and feedback. It's a rewarding experience full of learning, teamwork, and unforgettable moments!

MAIN TASKS OF THE VOLUNTEERS

- To learn with the kids, to plan, organize, and facilitate activities for children in foster care homes, with a focus on informal learning activities outside of school.
- Collect or produce the tools used for non-formal activities with children.
- Study the importance of games and non-formal activities and their effect on children.
- Recruit volunteers in the local area and promote the ESC Programme.
- Office tasks such as weekly meetings, creating social media posts, writing blog posts, self-assessments, etc.

2. Teaching and Care in Afterschool Clubs 5.0

PARTICIPANT PROFILE

- 4 VOLUNTEERS
- AGED BETWEEN 18-30 YEARS
- GOOD ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS (ESPECIALLY SPOKEN)
- MOTIVATION TO VOLUNTEER WITH CHILDREN
- SPECIFIC INTEREST IN THE TOPIC OF THE ENVIRONMENT
- DESIRE TO STEP OUT OF THEIR COMFORT ZONE
- COMMITMENT TO LIVING FOR 8,5 MONTHS IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY

- HAS URGE TO DEVELOP THEIR COMMUNICATION AND COOPERATION SKILLS, AND TO RECOGNIZE THEIR STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES WITHIN A TEAM
- EAGERNESS TO IMPROVE THEIR PRACTICAL SKILLS IN THE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ACTIVITIES
- WANTS TO HAVE A MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY
- MOTIVATION TO CREATE A BOOKLET OF GAMES TO USE WITH THE KIDS
- IS CREATIVE AND TAKES INITIATIVE

The main focus of this activity will be on the topic of the **Environment**

4 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 8,5 MONTHS

Activity description

In five After School Clubs in neighbouring villages, volunteers support children weekly by helping with homework, teaching English through games, and building essential life and social skills. These clubs provide a safe and enriching space where kids learn teamwork, responsibility, and emotional resilience. Activities last 1 to 4 hours and are tailored to each club's needs.

Volunteers also work on promoting green practices. They help maintain a Game Booklet to ensure future volunteers can continue their work seamlessly. Another exciting part of the role is inspiring local students to become volunteers by sharing experiences in schools, raising awareness, and promoting community involvement. It's an impactful and rewarding experience that makes a lasting difference!

MAIN TASKS OF THE VOLUNTEERS

- Plan, organize, and facilitate different After School Club activities for disadvantaged children in the surrounding villages, with a focus on informal learning activities outside of school.
- Collect or produce the tools used for non-formal activities with children.
- Study the importance of games and non-formal activities and their effect on children.
- Recruit volunteers in the local area and promote the ESC Programme.
- Office tasks such as weekly meetings, creating social media posts, writing blog posts, self-assessments, etc.

3. Community Inclusion 4.0

PARTICIPANT PROFILE

- 3 VOLUNTEERS AGED BETWEEN 18-30 YEARS
- GOOD ENGLISH LANGUAGE SKILLS (ESPECIALLY SPOKEN)
- MOTIVATION TO VOLUNTEER WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITY
- SPECIFIC INTEREST IN THE TOPIC OF DIGITALISATION
- TO STEP OUT OF THEIR COMFORT ZONE
- COMMITMENT TO LIVING FOR 6 MONTHS IN A FOREIGN COUNTRY

- HAS URGE TO DEVELOP THEIR COMMUNICATION AND COOPERATION SKILLS, AND TO RECOGNIZE THEIR STRENGTHS AND WEAKNESSES WITHIN A TEAM
- EAGERNESS TO IMPROVE THEIR PRACTICAL SKILLS IN THE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF ACTIVITIES
- WANTS TO HAVE A MEANINGFUL CONTRIBUTION TO SOCIETY
- MOTIVATION FOR THE CREATION OF A BOOKLET FOR ORGANIZING SUMMER CAMPS
- IS CREATIVE AND TAKES INITIATIVE

The main focus of this activity will be on the topic of the **Digitalisation**

3 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR 6 MONTHS

Activity description

Volunteers will bring the community together by organizing exciting events like language clubs, quiz nights, and board game nights! In language clubs, locals get to practice foreign languages in a fun and interactive way, with volunteers leading discussions in their native tongues. Quiz nights happen once every month at a café, featuring 8 rounds of engaging questions, with local volunteers helping non-English speakers participate.

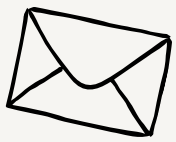
Volunteers will also introduce fun, non-formal activities on digital awareness. To ensure future volunteers can continue their work smoothly, they will create an extension to the "Community Clubs - Tools and Techniques" booklet, documenting event ideas and best practices. Lastly, volunteers will visit local schools to promote volunteering and the ESC Programme, inspiring others to get involved. It's all about connection, learning, and making a lasting impact!

MAIN TASKS OF THE VOLUNTEERS

- Organising community-building activities involving the local community.
- Organising language clubs, quiz nights, board game nights, activities on digital awareness in clubs and during activities with children, etc. for the local community.
- Working on a booklet called Community Clubs - Tools and Techniques.
- Recruit volunteers in the local area and promote the ESC Programme.
- Office tasks such as weekly meetings, creating social media posts, writing blog posts, self-assessments, etc.

How to apply?

1. Please send your **CV** and a project-specific **motivation letter** to our team at **esc@care2travel.org**.
2. Submit the **application form**.
3. Register on the **European Solidarity Corps portal** and send your registration number (PRN).



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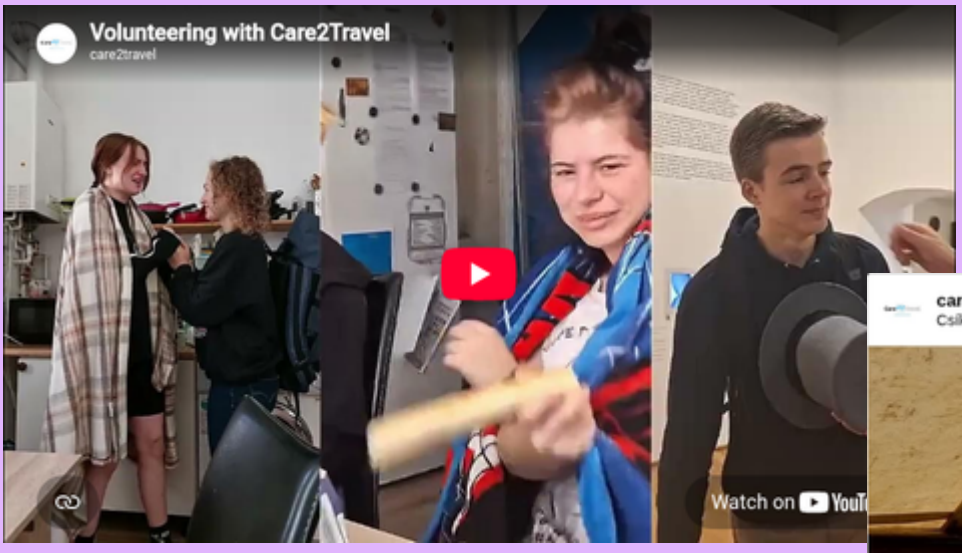

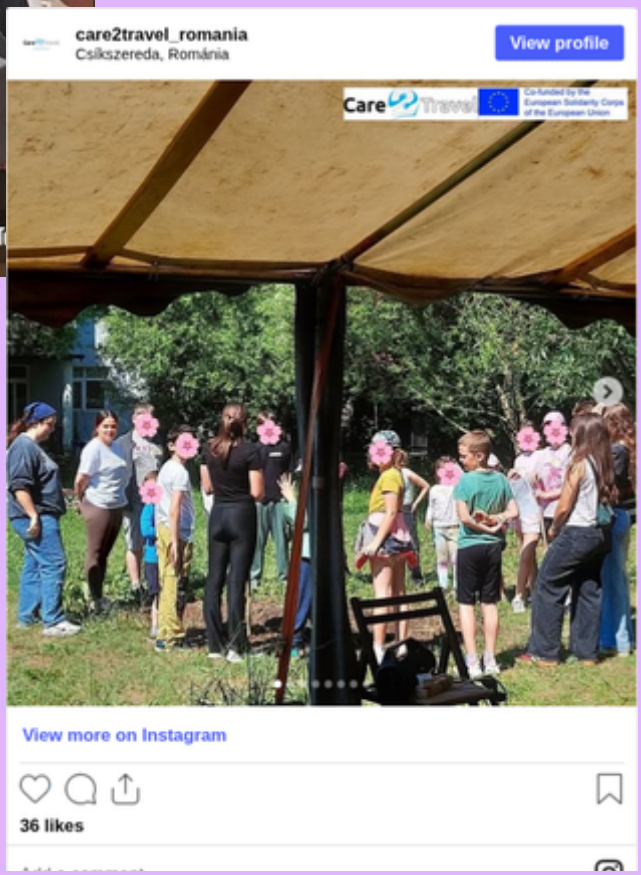

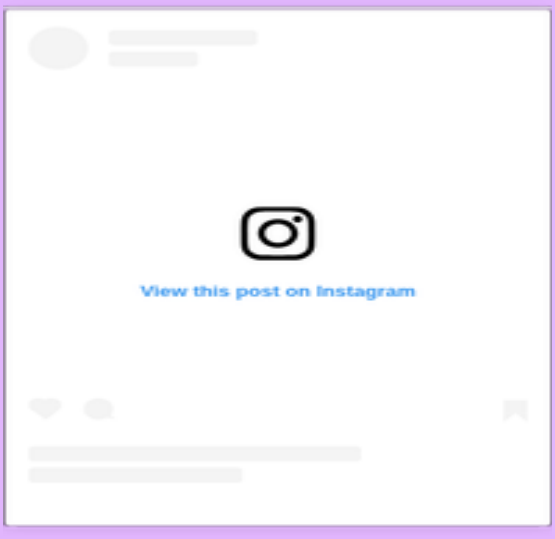

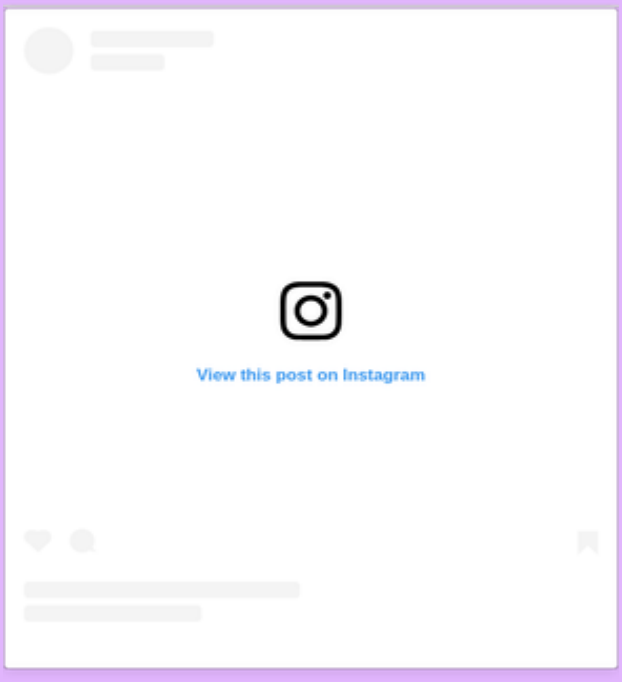

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!