



WELCOME

Dear Applicant

We are looking forward to meet you at GEGED! We hope that this infopack contributes to increase your understanding of our ESC voluntary vacancy and it will give you a useful information about our association and the environment we offer you.

In this infopack you will find informations about us, our activities, the city, environment, transportation, accomodation and many useful informations.

To understand our projects and your ESC progress read this infopack carefully, and write down your questions.

Turn the pages to discover more!



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Gaziantep Eğitim ve Gençlik Derneği (GEGED) was established in 2007 in Gaziantep city by a couple of teachers and local volunteers who had done EVS before. Soon after the application for accreditation for hosting and sending volunteers. Since 2007 GEGED hosted about 2000 volunteers and send over 1000 local volunteers to International Voluntary and exchange projects.

GEGED is a volunteer centre. It is a well known and trusted non-governmental organisation. In our voluntary network there are youth centres, schools, refugee support centres, non formal education centres, Daily care centre for Orphans, sport places, Oncology hospital, municipality centers and other public spots. Our Mission is to create a strong youth with key competences and new skills, knowledge and competencies in social life and help the peace on the World among young people from different cultures, backgrounds, ethnics and races. We also promote youth works and voluntary works to show people that there are many things to do together which can't be left undone and they need free willingness.

Gaziantep Eğitim ve Gençlik Derneği



About Gaziantep

Gaziantep is one of the modern provinces of South-Eastern Anatolian Region and also one of the oldest of Hittite origin. Being the center of pistachio nut cultivation in Turkey and with its extensive olive groves and vineyards, Gaziantep is one of the important and industrial centers of Turkey. Gaziantep is famous for its three regional specialties: 1) The copper-ware products. 2) The delicious lahmacun (a kind of pizza in Turkish Cuisine). 3) Sweet pastry baklava, which Gaziantep makes the best in the world.

The Gaziantep kitchen has a special influence on the Turkish cuisine with its immensely rich flavor. In addition to dishes which date back to the Oguz Turks, there is the influence of Aleppo. Its rich kind of soups, rice meals, kebabs, meatballs, etc. Are among the most favorite. Local desserts include baklava, kunefe, burmalı kadayif, sâri burma, mashed pistachio and milk fat.

In December 2015, 47 cities from 33 countries around the world joined the UNESCO's "Creative Cities Network". These cities are selected based on seven creative fields: Crafts and Folk Art, Design, Film, Gastronomy, Literature, Media Arts and Music. The province of Gaziantep has become one of them in the field of "Gastronomy".

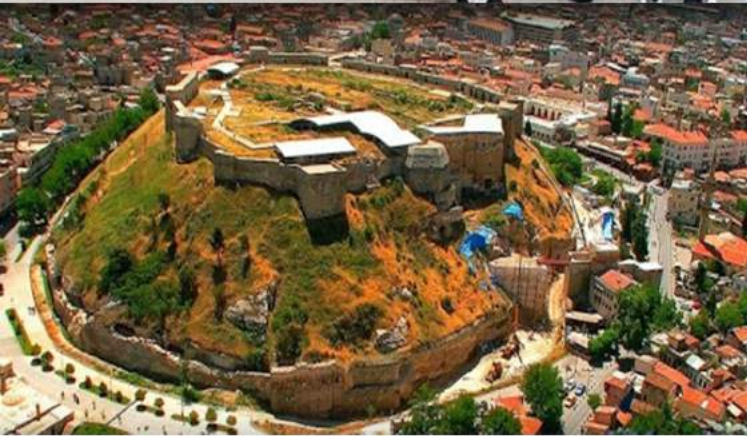
Inns are the symbols of the past economic and commercial richness of Gaziantep. They are still functional today as trade centers. These include Sira Hani, Kumrulu Han, Yeni Han, Kurkcu Hani, Anadolu-Hani, Incioglu Hani, Tuz Hani and Haci Omer Hani.

There are two bazaars which could survive to our day and are still used. One of them, Zincirli Bazaar, was built in the 18th century. The bazaar is locally known as "black steps bazaar" and has 80 shops and five gates. The other bazaar, Kemikli, dates back to the 19th century. It is a cut stone and rectangular structure with two gates.

Gaziantep bore the influence of many civilizations for its location as a crossroad between the east and the west or between the Eastern Mediterranean and the plains of Mesopotamia. Coppersmith works, mother of pearl working, traditional shoe making, cloth making, stone working, antique weapons, gold and silver works are the leading traditional handicrafts in Gaziantep.



Gaziantep



Project

We offer a short and long term ESC voluntary projects. We regularly host about 25 volunteers in 2 months. In our project we are aiming to promote active participation of our volunteers.

Tasks:

- To arrange youth campaigns and workshops about human rights, environment, climate change, social cohesion, intercultural dialogue, Covid-19, digital competences, life quality and Erasmus+ & European Opportunities***
- To join and lead the non formal education activities with kids and youth***
- To keep social media pages and promotion***
- To motivate and educate disadvantaged kids/youth, moreover people disabilities***
- To lead the English workshops with local youth***
- To attend to Turkish and Arabic language courses given by local volunteers***
- Organize intercultural evenings***
- Volunteers have a chance for open space and might contribute their own ideas and workshops***
- Outdoor environmental campaigns, planting trees, cleaning forest***

Turn the page check the pictures from our activities

Gallery 1



Gallery 2



Gallery 3



Training For Volunteers



Social Awareness Campaign (SAC)

In order to improve digital competences of our volunteers, we are implementing Social Awareness Campaign Activity in 3 phases. SAC includes;

1. *Creating Story*
2. *Camera Shooting*
3. *Editing the video*

Non Formal Education Training (NFE)

Most of our activities has been implementing via Non-Formal Education Methods and it is necessary to teach volunteers basics of NFE. In this training our volunteers learning importance of NFE and designing their activities through it.



Gamification Training

Our target groups are children, refugees and disadvantaged youth. Classical system of education is not useful all the time. In order to get these people involve more we are designing our activities mostly with gamification methods. Our volunteers get training about gamification.

Erasmus+ & ESC Framework Awareness

By this awareness meeting our volunteers are informing about Erasmus+ & ESC Framework and being familiar about projects, system and opportunities. Our team is showing and explaining the system by non formal education methods.



About You

We are looking for volunteers who are ready for a journey in Gaziantep, Turkey and help us in our voluntary life at the field of disadvantaged youth, education for children, integration, social inclusion, gamification and self development. Right now there are thousands of Syrian and Local kids, teenagers and youth as well as people under temporary protection and migrants in Gaziantep who need attention and non formal education activities.



Your hands empower us and we'll be able to reach more kids and organise more events to provide to our target group learning and developing opportunities. If you are between 18-30 years old and motivated to join our family you are welcome. We are not looking for experts or professionals, your graduation level, department, language level is not a barrier to join us. But your interest, motivation and smile, ability to be in a big international team are very important for us.

Accomodation



Our facilities consist of 3 buildings with basemenets, common gardens, kitchens, laundry, bedrooms and living rooms, space for volunteers to work with wi-fi, winter with heather system in each room. The rooms are double/triple.

Apart of the accommodation for volunteers, we have our GEGED NGO Office for all the administrative work. The rooms for volunteers are fully furnished with pillows, blankets, sheets, but please bring your own hygienic stuff and towel for your own usage.

Our location is in city centre, so you reach the most important daily spots by walk. All the volunteers are responsible for the clean up of accommodation and all the facilities at all, we don't have housekeeper here, we kindly ask volunteers to stay in a clean and cozy place, with fully consious and respect to local environnement. We prepare the weekly clean up schedule and according to it, all of us have a clean up responsibility.

To see the accomodation and responsibility agreement please click the links below

Accomodation Agreement: <https://bit.ly/3ktVFSX>

Responsibility Agreement: <https://bit.ly/3pvl2Yr>

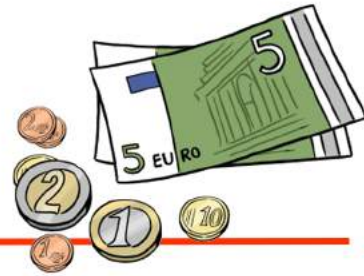
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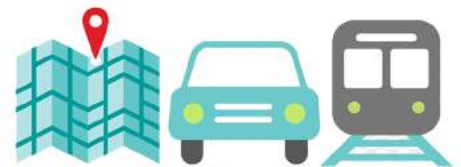
Food & Pocket Money Allowance



We deliver 400 TL food allowance to volunteers montly in Turkish Lira. Volunteer is free to have a meal outside or do a shopping and cook at Geged kitchen.

Pocket allowance is calculated on daily basis of actual project duration. This amount will be 4 Euro per day. Please check your agreement.

Transportation



Most of our activities are within 15 minutes by walk. Those centers which are out of our neighborhood, we provide a shuttle buses. Volunteer need a private bus card with HES code in order to travel within city.

Insurance



It will be processed, combined with the sending organization, your Cigna insurance plan covers emergency situations that may arise during the project.

Please see the link to learn all about your insurance plan. It is free for ESC volunteers.

Make sure that your insurance has been enrolled before travel by your sending organisation.

For more information please visit the link below
<https://www.cignahealthbenefits.com/en/plan-members>

Travel to Gaziantep



1. Visa & Travel

No visa needed from these countries neither: Albania, Bosnia, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia (30 days), Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macedonia, Malta, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Tunisia, Ukraine, European Union Schengen area, Austria, Belgium, the Netherlands, Spain, Poland as well as the United Kingdom.

Take a look to officials regarding to visa requires:

<http://www.mfa.gov.tr/visa-information-for-foreigners.en.mfa>

In case that you need a Visa, we recommend you to get a Turkish e-visa online You can apply for visa through this website

<https://www.evisa.gov.tr/en/apply>

Important: if you purchase a Visa, you have to bring us the receipt in order to refund you the reimbursement.

There are diferent companies flying to Istanbul and connecting with Gaziantep city. These airlines are:



2. Travel Budget

Travel budget will be calculated between destination of home country and arrival country. You can check limits table on right side. Please confirm the project dates with our team members before booking your flight. After booking them, we need you to send us the e-ticket to know your exact arrival day and time.

Please use the distance calculator on the link to see your travel budget.

<i>Distance (Km)</i>	<i>Budget</i>
From 100 to 499	180 Euro
From 500 to 1999	275 Euro
From 2000 to 2999	360 Euro
From 3000 to 3999	530 Euro
From 4000 to 7999	820 Euro
More than 8000	1100 Euro

https://ec.europa.eu/programmes/erasmus-plus/resources/distance-calculator_en

2. Reaching to GEGED

You probably might take a flight from Istanbul to get to Gaziantep Airport. We recommend you to book a flight with at least 3-4 hours layoff because there may be delays in Istanbul Airport. During this time, you can exchange around 10€ to Turkish liras (~95 TL). You will need some of this amount to pay the shuttle bus from Gaziantep Airport to city center. Your flight will take approximately 1h and 50 min from Istanbul.

Once you get to Gaziantep Airport, you will have to wait for your luggage. After the landing, before entering the airport building there are two gates, International and Domestic. If your luggage comes straight from your home city (connecting flight), you will have to look for it at the International Terminal in Gaziantep Airport. If you changed air company in Istanbul and check-in your luggage again, it will arrive to the Domestic Terminal. Please take this information into account in order to know where to find your luggage.

Once you arrive to Gaziantep Airport, what to do?

Please find Havaş shuttle buses in front of the Arrival Terminal.

Get into the bus. The driver asks for 15 Turkish lira payment by cash. You should change some Euro at the Istanbul airport and Sabiha Gokcen airport in Istanbul or in Ankara in advance, because in Gaziantep airport there is no currency exchange Office.

These shuttle buses arrive to city centre KÜÇÜK SİGORTA/BALIKLI office within 40 minutes. Show these station name to the driver. So please when the bus leaves call us or send sms/whatsapp to us. If your phone doesn't work, local people in the bus might help you to use their mobile phones or shuttle bus drivers as well. When you reached the station we will pick you up from there.

Our numbers:

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Check the diagram to memorize all the steps quickly.



Partner's Responsibilities

- **Giving the volunteer all information about the project and the hosting country in advance;**
- **The participant shall inform about any health problem or any diet requirement in advance;**
- **Giving visibility to the project through the website, social networks, media, etc.**
- **Giving the organizations all the documents or information required, as the boarding passes, invoices or similar, for the final report of the project;**
- **Ensuring a good communication between the parts involved in the project during all the duration of it;**
- **Overseeing the volunteer's activity and receiving any news about it.**

Volunteers receive a YouthPass certificate in the end of their service. For more details please see the link:

<https://www.youthpass.eu/en/>

Youthpass

Support & Tutor

Three people will be selected for this roles:

- a) a tutor, who will give personal support to the volunteer and will be the link between all the organizations involved in the project;**
- b) a mentor of the activity in charge of keeping all the things related to the tasks of volunteer during the ESC service;**
- c) a project manager, who will supervise the overall project and will ensure a perfect performance.**

Also local volunteers will be assisting you during your daily life and activities.

Communicate With Us!



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define the exact project dates.*



See you at GEĞED!