

Host Project Description – European Solidarity Corps	
Name of the coordinating organisation	ICJA / ICYE Germany
PLANNED STARTING DATE	21.September 2022-20.September 2023
DURATION	12 Months
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Activities of the project organisation (aims, objectives, actions)	The volunteer will work in a residential group for people with disabilities that belongs to the <i>Margarete Steiff-Haus</i> , which the Stephanus Foundation runs.  The Stephanus Foundation coordinates over 80 institutions all over Berlin and Brandenburg for people with disabilities, children and youth and older people.  The residential group is located in Berlin-Buch, with about eight people with mental disabilities between 23 and 30 years living together, assisted by staff members.  Each of the residents has their own room, living as independently as possible. The project aims at offering the residents the same chances and opportunities as people without disabilities, including similar residential circumstances. Therefore, the group is located on the 7th floor of an apartment building in Berlin-Buch.
Description of the community the project is situated in	The residential group is located in Berlin-Buch. Buch is a suburb characterized by little unemployment in the North of the city and a low number of people with migration background. Buch is known for its beautiful park and its branch of the university hospital Charité and has a good connection to the city center of Berlin by public transport. Berlin itself is a city that offers a huge variety of cultural, sportive, international, and political life with about 3.5 million inhabitants.
Description of the tasks of the volunteer in the project	The volunteer will assist the residents in those situations where they need support: to offer and support free time activities such as gardening, playing music, etc., homework, guidance when going shopping, cooking

	and eating, helping in their daily activities such as getting up, getting dressed, evening activities and so on. The volunteer will not be working in the field of hygiene. The volunteer is welcome to propose free time activities (creative, sports, cultural activities). Due to the missing qualification and profession, the volunteer will not be working the night shifts.
Required skills and interests of the volunteer	The Stephanus Foundation has the following expectations towards the volunteer's required skills and interests:  - motivation to work in the project  - ready to work and live with people with mental disabilities (experience in this field would be welcome but not necessary)  - willing to take responsibility and work independently  - be prepared to work in individual care and support  - basic knowledge of the German language would be an advantage  - reliability and punctuality
Working hours, working time:	The volunteer will work in different shifts, so working hours can vary. There is the morning shift (7:00-13:00), the afternoon shift (15:00-20:00) and weekends. The shifts are planned together depending on the volunteer's interests and possibilities. Working at weekends will only occur on rare occasions. The weekly working hours will be 30-35 hours; five days a week, while language classes count as working time.
Training and support for the volunteer	There is an English-speaking mentor, responsible for answering any questions and supervising the volunteer's work. The volunteer can take part in the regular training for staff members.  The project has a lot of experience with German volunteers and has been a host project for the European Voluntary Service for several years.
Pocket Money	The pocket money will be 5 Euro/day in monthly payments.
Public Transport	The volunteer will be reimbursed for the costs of a monthly public transport ticket.
Description of the accommodation	The volunteer will be living in an apartment (2 rooms, kitchen, and bathroom) at the project. Maybe the apartment has to be shared with another volunteer or intern; each one gets a single room.
How will the food arrangement be?	The volunteer will receive food at the project.
International travel costs	The volunteer will receive financial support for the travel costs from his/her place of origin to Germany and back. The amount depends on the distance travelled. Travel distances from 500 km to 1999 km: 275 Euro, from 2000 km to 2999 km: 360 Euro etc.
Insurance	The volunteer will receive health insurance, third-party liability insurance and general accident insurance via the group insurance of the European Commission (free of charge for the volunteer).