

***INFO PACK FOR OFFICE  
VOLUNTEERS  
XYLOKASTRO***

EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS  
(ESC)  
ORFEAS YOUTH ORGANIZATION  
(HOST ORGANISATION)

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## About us:

Organization Orfeas began functioning in August 2000. The purpose of our organization is the utilization free time, inform young people about international and national programs, and the encouragement of their active participation along with their European citizenship.

Furthermore, our goal is to organize and support national programs of the partner municipalities, heritage protection activities of the environment, and organizing summer events, festivals, concerts, theatrical performances, and exhibitions in cooperation with the local municipalities. Through our activities, we try to develop solidarity and promote tolerance and understanding among young people in different countries. Our priorities are respecting cultural diversity, and fighting against racism and xenophobia. By facilitating joint activities of young people from different cultural, ethnic, and religious backgrounds, Orfeas aims to develop the intercultural learning of young people making Europe a friendlier place at the same time.

An important value for Orfeas Organization is to give access to all young people, especially those with fewer opportunities, to join European youth programmes and other educational activities. Through formal/non-formal learning techniques and experiences, young volunteers will improve and acquire skills for their personal, educational and professional development.

### How to get in touch with us:

On our Facebook page, we post about activities and the volunteers' life in general. check us out on Facebook and don't hesitate to send us a message:

Facebook handle: Orfeas Organization

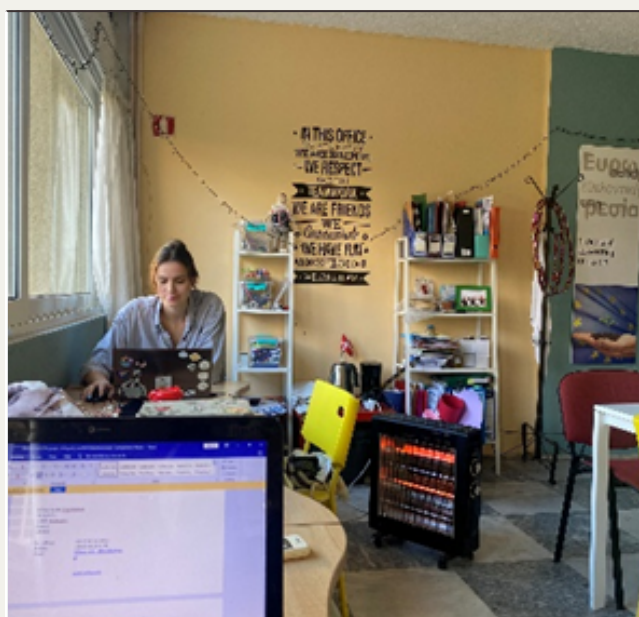
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## project description

This project takes place in the youth information office of the organization in Xylokastro. Through the office, we want to show the possibilities to the young people of the region between 12-30 years old. Our aim with this activity is to provide an informal intercultural learning experience, encouraging their social integration, and active participation, increasing their employability and giving them opportunities to show solidarity with youth from different countries.

The main tasks of the volunteers are:

- organizing activities for the volunteers we host
- being the link between the volunteers and the organization
- carrying out projects, prepare/ implement workshops, campaigns
- supporting the local youth, e.g. participating in school fairs, presentations, school projects, etc.
- developing the webpage of the organization, e.g. filling up new information, pictures, announcements, etc.
- edit and publish our newsletter about the ESC life
- taking care of social media, promoting the idea of ESC, dissemination and visibility of the projects' result
- be a contact person for Orfeas, e.g. sending information, news, and propositions for future plans to partner organizations and new coming volunteers





## About your new home - Xylokastro ( Ξυλόκαστρο):

The wealth and diversity of the Greek cultural heritage, history, the mild climate, the high percentage of sunshine, and its interesting and varying landscape: A real feeling of discovery.

The municipality of Xylokastro - Evrostini consists of the towns Xylokastro, Derveni, and the villages that surround them. Xylokastro is on the coast of the Corinthian Gulf in the peninsula of Peloponnesse.

The area is agricultural; there are a lot of lemon fields, as well as orange, apricot, and olive fields.

Xylokastro is a small, but lively town, especially in summer, when many tourists visit the area. In Xylokastro, volunteers can find cafés, bars, nightclubs, a library, many shops, supermarkets, a pine-tree forest, and a beautiful beach.

- has around 6.000 citizens
- about one hour in the west of Corinth
- popular for the production of raisins
- a famous place for holidays



**Accommodation:** The long-term group of volunteers will live all together in Orfeas home, a flat in the center of the town.

- three bedrooms
  - living-room
  - kitchen
- two bathrooms
- two balconies

The volunteers are responsible to keep the flat clean, setting a cleaning schedule and following it.



## **Profile of the volunteer:**

We are looking for social, open-minded people who are

- ·creative
- ·able to work with a flexible time schedule
- ·responsible
- ·interested to work with young people from around Europe

## **What do we offer to the volunteers?**

### **1. Mentor:**

Each and every of the volunteers will be assigned to one of the mentors. Mentor is a member of the local community of Xylokastro. Task of the mentor is to be a help to the volunteers and especially to the one that he was assigned to. If during the project the volunteer needs any kind of support or just go for a drink or a simple cup of coffee, the mentor is there for you.

### **2. Language support:**

Volunteers will participate in Greek language course, once per week by a Greek teacher.

### **3. Activities/ workshops:**

The volunteers will participate in the activities prepared by the office team. Group of activities start from simple workshops like arts and crafts, but also cooking lessons , different theme workshops, workshops about Youthpass and learning outcomes of the project..etc Volunteers are free to propose their own activities.

## Insurance

Complete health insurance is provided by the CIGNA insurance company according to the European Commission's agreement. You will receive a confirmation e-mail with your insurance number before your project's start.



### **Youthpass certificate:**

Each and every volunteer at the end of the project will receive a Youthpass certificate within the scope of the European Solidarity Corps program. Youthpass certificate is a valuable attachment into the CV, after the project the participants can use it while searching for a new work.



## How to apply:

If you want to apply for this project, please send us the complete application form and your CV in

English to

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After we evaluate your application we will contact you for a Skype meeting.

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