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OPEN CALL FOR ONE EVS VOLUNTEER

at the **Association Defense of the Rights of the Child** in Skopje, Macedonia

6 months with possibility to prolong

THE ORGANIZATION

Association for Defense of the Rights of the Child was established in November 1998 and is a non-profit and non-political voluntary organization whose main goal is to protect the rights of the child. Its activity is based on the Convention on the Rights of the Child. In line with this, the association's activities are focused on the introduction and implementation of laws, policies and practices that enable the promotion of child welfare, protection of the rights and full participation of children in society.

The organization runs a daycare center for street children aged 4-17 years. Children come to the center every day Monday to Friday, learn about their rights, educate and socialize. A professional team consisting of a social worker, psychologist, educator and school teacher runs the day care center for children to be healthy, confident, independent, free, happy, cheerful, creative and happy. The objective of the Center is daily social inclusion of vulnerable Roma children from the streets. The activities carried out stimulate and develop their potentials and capacities for socialization, growth, development and inclusion in the community.

THE PROJECT

The main aim of this EVS project is to raise awareness about vulnerable groups such as minorities, Roma children, children from the street and social families. You will work in Skopje, Macedonia, together with other EVS volunteers and several local volunteers. More specifically, the work will be carried out in the municipality Shuto Orizari which is the biggest Roma community in Europe. You will cooperate with local volunteers and more experienced international volunteers in the implementation of activities for children and youngsters with fewer opportunities (street children, children without parental care, children and youngsters from ethnic groups facing discrimination and social exclusion and youngsters from rural and border areas), plan and organize workshops that aim to develop artistic and creative skills or foreign language knowledge. You will be hosted by the organization «Defense for Children Rights» and your activities will take place in their Day Care Center for children from street.

THE WORK

Your activities will be:

- develop activities for the children by planning, preparing and implementing them, such as musical, artistic, handcraft and other workshops, outdoor activities, sport activities etc. by own choice;
- support the children according to their learning process as part of the regular activities of the center;
- organize promotions and events about the activities in the Day Care center, Youth in Action Program and the street magazine LICE V LICE (FACE TO FACE);
- moral support for the children who work for the street magazine LICE V LICE;
- motivate the children to go to school and bring them to school which is located 3 minutes away from the Day Care Center;
- help the children maintain their hygiene;
- support and help in the regular activities and workshops in the center: language and educational, creative, sport and recreational program;
- accompany and help in organizing excursions and field trips in the city and in the country;
- support the cooperation with other organizations;
- prepare and realize own idea for mini project at the end of the EVS project;
- organize a public event presenting the outcomes of the entire EVS project.

The main requirement for the selected volunteer is that they should love working with children.

WORK SCHEDULE

ACCOMODATION

You will live in an apartment together with the other volunteers. You will have your own room, while the kitchen and the bathroom are shared.

You are expected to work in the Day Care Center Monday to Friday, doing approximately 30 hours per week. You will have weekends off, and you are also entitled to holidays (2 days per month).

You will also take part in a language course, starting the first week of your arrival.

THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS 29th JUNE 2016!

If you can identify yourself with the upper description, please send your CV and motivation letter both in English to programi@zavod-voluntariat.si.