



## About the Organization:

**"KEY – Innovation in Culture, Education and Youth"** is a youth organization promoting non formal learning, active participation of young people in the society, intercultural dialogue and awareness on social issues that influence young people.

We are open to all young people who share our vision. Our organization was formed by volunteers and youth workers with experience in non formal education and international youth events and activities.

## About the EVS Project:

The project "Youth Voice" is an EVS project which aims to give "space" and "voice" to the youth of Cyprus by giving them the necessary help in order to fulfill their dreams, their projects and their expectations. By doing this, young people will be creating a better society and a better world in which they will live, work, express themselves, create and act with their own respected way.

Five different EU countries will be joining the project and four (4) volunteers will be sent to Cyprus (one from each country) in order for the project to be implemented. The duration of the project is nine (9) months and the actual activities will last six (6) months (time when the volunteers will be in Cyprus). The participants will be 20-30 years old, with pleasant personalities, energetic, able to communicate and understand young people (especially those facing fewer opportunities). They will also be capable to learn and understand new things (theory, skills etc) and handle computers as well as social media.

The Volunteers will have the chance to design and implement several activities with and for young people of Limassol. Those actions will reflect the needs of those people, they will correspond to the aims of our organization and aim to help the society to improve. Such actions might be street festivals, music and theatre festivals / workshops, non formal and informal workshops, workshops regarding social inclusion, active participation and all kind of actions that will help young people to be improved as individuals.

Volunteers will also be participants during the implementations of those actions, but also they will have the space and the opportunity to lead and manage some of the activities mentioned above. Participants (volunteers) will not fill vacant places for personnel at the organization, but they will be acting according to the needs of the project, in cooperation and by helping the organization's personnel, members and volunteers.

The methodology used for the implementation of this project will be the use of non-formal and informal learning for cultivating skills, knowledge, attitudes and provide experience.

Participants will be benefited by gaining all the needed skills, attitude, knowledge, working experience about organizing, designing and implementing projects / actions/ workshops for young people aiming their interests, understanding their needs and including them to the society. They will also be able to adapt in multicultural and multilingual environments, take



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initiatives and fulfil projects / actions. Also, they will be able to believe on themselves, understand their strengths and weaknesses and always try to improve themselves.

Finally, young people from Limassol will come in contact with those volunteers and with the activities implemented and they will gain knowledge, understand the meaning of volunteerism, its benefits to people and its contribution to the local and European society.

Through the implementation of the project, the organization, the participants, the participant organizations and the society in general will be long-term-benefited.

The organization will gain the necessary experience, knowledge and skills in order to be improve as a sending, hosting and coordinating organization. This kind of knowhow will be shared with other organizations and young people that want to participate in EVS projects.

On the other hand, the participants will be benefited by a life time experience from which they will improve their knowledge, skills and attitude, believe in their selves and learn how to fulfil their dreams and help other people improve their lives for a better society.

Also, a fruitful cooperation will be established among the participant organizations with prospects of future cooperation in several fields regarding youth and social improvement.

Finally, a long-term-benefit will affect the society, where young people will be able to express themselves, create, stand for their rights and dreams and finally transform the society into a better place to live (especially for young people).

## **Practicalities:**

1. The volunteers will live in a fully equipped two bedroom house (they will share a bedroom with one person) and the living facilities will be provided to them.

2. The house of the volunteers is located next to the organization and at the city center of Limassol. All amenities are in walking distance.

3. The volunteers will work for the Church's charity. There, they will be able to eat and they will be given food for home. So, there is not any need to buy much food.

4. Internet, electricity and water bills will be paid by the hosting organization.

5. The volunteers will receive a total of 230euro / per month as pocket money and living expenses.

6. Any need for transfer for the needs of the volunteers (program needs, supermarket etc) will be done by members of the hosting organization.

For More Information about the Organization and its activities:

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## **Pictures of the Organization**









**Pictures of the Volunteers' House** 

