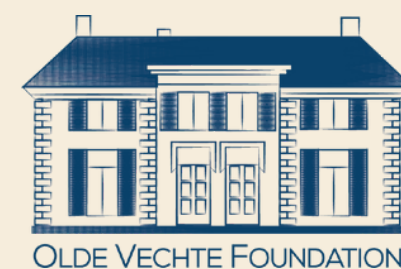


# Wider Horizon

Short term ESC individual volunteering  
activity in Olde Vechte  
Foundation

 **Ommen, The Netherlands**



WOULD YOU LIKE TO LIVE A JOYFUL AND  
UNIQUE VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE  
FOR TWO MONTHS,  
THANKS TO WHICH YOU CAN CREATE  
*NEW OPPORTUNITIES* IN YOUR PERSONAL  
AND PROFESSIONAL LIFE ONCE BACK  
HOME?



**Wider Horizon** is a short-term volunteering project of Olde Vechte Foundation, that takes place in Ommen, The Netherlands. **By participating you have the opportunity to experience new aspects of life and of yourself:** live together with people from different countries, hosted by Olde Vechte Foundation; volunteer in a practical work places; take care of your living space and organize your own free time.

If you'd like to volunteer for one year in the Netherlands at Olde Vechte Foundation, this is a great two months opportunity as a try-out to experience if long-term volunteering is something you'd like to do. This way, you get to know how Olde Vechte works and we also get to know you.

The project is for you if you are having a vulnerable time in life, being long-term unemployed, or coming from a difficult background. Other criteria to include you is that you come from a European country.

With the current measures took for avoiding COVID-19, this volunteering opportunity in the countryside of the Netherlands is still possible by sticking to the arrangements that help us stay safe in this cultural exchange.



# ACTIVITIES IN THE PROJECT

As a volunteer at Olde Vechte, you will have the opportunity to try a large variety of tasks which you can do, for instance helping in rebuilding one of our accommodations, to help in the kitchen, to practice your gardening skills, to assist in projects which we are organising and also to volunteer at one of our Dutch partner organisations depending on your interest such as a second hand shop, a herb garden or a horse farm.

You will receive a bicycle to commute to the workplaces and use it to travel around in your free time. You can also use it to visit places which are closer to your accommodation and to use it to travel around for shopping and your free time.





# FREE TIME

You can spend your free time in many different ways: hanging out with new international friends, biking, dancing, playing sports and organize it in a way that fits you.



# GUIDANCE

During your stay as a volunteer, a mentor is available for your support. This person will help you with practical aspects, such as, getting to know how things work at Olde Vechte and showing you where to go for groceries, shopping and medical institutions in Ommen.

Your mentor will guide you for the whole two-month period around the volunteering activities and you can reach out to your mentor for support with any issues you might come across.

# ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD



During your stay as a volunteer you will be hosted in one of the accommodations available at Olde Vechte Foundation, which is one of the houses or main buildings of the organization. Either way, you will live with other international volunteers, sharing the household and duties together.

As for the food: you have a kitchen including all cooking utensils and a dishwasher. Along with your pocket money, you get money for food, and you can arrange your own meals as you wish.

## YOUTHPASS

By the end of the project you fill in the YouthPass, which can be a very useful tool for your resume or if you want to apply for a university. For more information visit Youthpass website.

**Youthpass**

## POCKET MONEY AND TRAVELING COSTS

AS A VOLUNTEER OF THIS PROJECT YOU WILL RECEIVE POCKET MONEY IN THE AMOUNT OF € 5,- PER DAY, DIVIDED IN A MONTHLY PAYMENT THROUGH BANK TRANSFER YOU WILL ALSO GET MONEY FOR FOOD (€ 5,- PER DAY). YOUR TRAVELING COSTS WILL BE COVERED ACCORDING TO ESC REGULATIONS



# HOW TO APPLY

If you are from a EU country and you're interested in the project and want to be a volunteer, you can:

- contact your supporting organization and fill in your application form as soon as possible, or
- if you don't have a contact yet, write us at ***info.oldevechte@gmail.com*** and we will put you in contact with a supporting organization.

Since this is a continuous project, at the moment you feel ready to come and we have a place for you, you're welcome to join at any moment.



For more information, you can have a look at our website:

**<http://www.oldevechte.com/>**

If you have any further question about the project and the criteria to participate, do not hesitate to contact your supporting organization or us.