





MY GREATIVE AND GARRA GOMMUNITY

OUR VOLUNTEERING TIME IN VUKOVAR

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PRONI CENTAR VUKOVAR



Hello, I'm Lucas, I'm 20 and I'm from France. I spent 7 months in Croatia on a volunteering project "My creative and caring community" at PRONI Centar. During these months I grew up a lot and discovered so many things about culture, social life, but also about myself. Everybody helped me feel good in a new country where a lot of things were unknown, so I really enjoyed this

Hello! I'm Alexandra from Romania. I'm 20 years old. This experience was completely new to me, and I wasn't sure what to expect. However, my volunteering time (of 8 months) at PRONI Centar turned out to be incredibly rewarding. I learned a lot, met amazing people, and gained new skills and confidence. It's an experience I'll remember forever.





X OUR VOLUNTEERING TIME

We took part in many activities during these months as part of our volunteering.

Our main activity was about spending time in Primary school Josip Matoš in Vukovar with a class of children who have health disabilities. We spent time with them, sometimes in class, sometimes outside and we carried out workshops for them.











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We also had others activities, such as:

2.

We made digital content/posts with the aim of informing young people about PRONI activities plus other important subjects such as prevention of addiction, mental health, oral health, mobility, environment,...











The first woman to become an astronaut from NASA was Sally Ride. Sally Ride made history on June 18, 1983, when she became the first American woman to fly in space. She was a physicist and astronaut, breaking gender barriers and inspiring future generations of women to pursue careers in science and space exploration.



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3.

Presentations in schools about our countries and culture (France and Romania), but also about our volunteering/mobility.

We also learned a lot about Croatian culture, and after these 7/8 months, we feel a little bit Croatian:)











OUR VOLUNTEERING



We also had others activities, such as:

- we have prepared informative content for info points of Info Centar for youth Vukovar set up in highs schools and university in Vukovar.
 each month was another informative topic
- for young people.









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5.

At the start of our volunteering period, we took part in a team volunteering in Pirovac, on the Croatian coast organized by PRONI Centar. We helped with the organization and took part in the activities. The subject of this team volunteering was the environment and ecology.





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We also had others activities, such as:

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We got interviews about our activities and lives as volunteers, and appeared on TV and newspaper, to present and promote international volunteering through European Solidarity Corps programe.



We teached some French, by making an intervention in French class, and then by giving some more French lessons to students who wanted to learn more French next to their courses. By doing that, we gave students the opportunity to hear a native, which is important to learn a language. In exchange, some students also gave us Croatian classes, so we did a kind of "language exchange".



7.

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We also had others activities, such as:

Finally, during these months, we also took part in two training courses as part of our volunteering project, where we learned a lot about volunteering, about Europe and about different cultures; we met other young people doing volunteer work in Croatia and it was a very enriching experience. In addition, the youth workers carrying out the training were great and gave us more confidence in our project, which was important at the beginning: despite everything, it is not easy to leave everything you know to go and live abroad.













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