



EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS VOLUNTEERING at BASEBALLSCHULE

Hey there! Be the spark that makes kids' eyes light up! ✨⚾

You don't need to be a baseball expert – just bring your passion, energy, and the desire to inspire young talents. Imagine giving a child the confidence to throw their first ball, being part of a team that grows, laughs, and celebrates together.

As a volunteer at the Baseball-Schule, you're not just giving your time – you're making a difference. Join us on this incredible journey – we need YOU!



Vienna Panthers All Girls Baseball Tournament, Supercup U10 Tournament (CZE), BeeBall Challenge Baseball Event for Kids, DADAE (Daughters and Dads Active and Empowered Austria), Staranzano Summer Emotions U12 Tournament (ITA).



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What is Baseballschule?

Check us out at www.baseballschule.at

We're a non-profit organization in Vienna, using baseball to support the development of kids ages 4 to 16. Our motto, "Freedom to perform!" means giving children the chance to excel in sports and in life. With us, they'll gain skills and confidence to tackle any challenge and live a fulfilling, self-determined life. We focus on fostering a healthy mindset critical for success, using Positive Coaching methods to boost happiness, optimism, resilience, and more.

Since 2019, we've introduced baseball to over 15,000 kids in Vienna. In 2024 alone, we organized 8 school sports festivals with up to 300 kids participating, took part in international tournaments in Spain, Czech Republic, Hungary, Italy and Slovakia, and hosted three major events with 100+ attendees. We've built partnerships from Australia to the USA and work with universities and media to further our mission. Now, we're thrilled to welcome a European Solidarity Corps volunteer to our team!



We are the Baseball-Schule Family.



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Proposed activities for volunteers

As a volunteer, you'll dive into the exciting world of sports and sports events for kids. You'll work closely with our coaches, assisting them in daily activities and training sessions. You'll also support us in various aspects of our projects with schools, kindergartens, and social institutions. Your tasks will range from helping with logistics, setting up events, and managing administrative work to capturing amazing moments through photography and boosting our presence on social media.



ESC Volunteer Estelle with our Team Rookies (4-6 year olds) and Coach Manuel Nuñez.



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Volunteer profile and selection process

We're looking for motivated, energetic individuals who love working with kids and have an interest in sports, project management, and communication. No prior experience needed! Basic knowledge of German, English, or Spanish is a plus, but not required. We especially encourage young people with fewer opportunities to apply!

Application procedure

This European Solidarity Corps (ESC) project in Vienna is coordinated by the association *Grenzenlos* within the MELANGE program. If you want to apply for this project, please fill in the **Melange application form** and send it together with your **CV** (curriculum vitae) and **motivation letter** to application@melange.wien

Please state the name of the ESC project (Baseballschule), in the subject of your e-mail. Grenzenlos will forward your documents to us, the hosting project, where the selection will be made.

Important! Your application will only be accepted if it is complete and if you already have a supporting (sending) organisation.

All ESC placements coordinated by Grenzenlos are generally available to everyone between the age of 18 and 30 who is residing in an [ESC program or partner country](#). However, in the selection procedure a **preference is shown for candidates with fewer opportunities**. You will be informed about the outcome of the recruitment process a few weeks after the application deadline. For more information, please visit www.melange.wien



European Solidarity Corps volunteering at WOHNUNGSGEMEINSCHAFT (WOHNHEIM) ST. MARTIN



What is the Wohngemeinschaft St. Martin?

Website: Wohngemeinschaft St. Martin

St. Martin is a living place for about 25 adults with various disabilities. It is located in Klosterneuburg, a small town near Vienna. We have two living groups/communities and several practice rooms, where the clients (inhabitants of St. Martin) work during the day. Our main task is to offer housing and (re)integration into the society. This is done mainly through leisure time activities and by offering a working place. People are provided training and other practices needed for working.

Klosterneuburg itself is an old town located at the Danube River. You can reach the city centre of Vienna by public transport within 30 minutes. It is surrounded by the Vienna Woods (Wiener Wald), which offers great opportunities for hiking, walking and other outdoor activities.

As a volunteer, you would live at St. Martin, too. This means you are provided meals together with the staff and the clients. Special food arrangements (e.g. vegetarian) are no problem. Exceptions or special arrangements regarding the house rules can be made on an individual basis. Please note, that the rooms are non-smoking rooms (fire alarm) and that you have to register guests with the project leader.

Proposed activities

Our experiences with international volunteers in the past years have been good. As a volunteer, you can deliver valuable input to our work, especially concerning our leisure programme. So, you enable the clients to make more excursions, sports, individual shopping or to do other things that normally would not be possible to a larger extent. Your working time will be fulfilled with some of the following activities:

- ✓ Give new inputs to our afternoon program
- ✓ Develop an own project, according to your interests, e.g. arts or music.
- ✓ Support the staff and the clients with the daily program and activities (e.g. help the clients to cook, with eating, cleaning the common room, to dress or watch TV together; maybe you are asked to help out with the personal care of the clients)
- ✓ Develop your own ideas as an extension of our leisure time and afternoon program.
- ✓ If you like, make excursions with one or two clients
- ✓ Attend the team meetings

The relation between daily activities and personal project will depend on your project, but about 50% will be daily activities. You will work between 30-38 hours on 5 days per week. The specific working days will be agreed with your host team.

A regular day looks may look like this:

4 – 7 p.m.: leisure time activities – going for a walk, playing games, doing some gardening, sports, doing shopping with the clients

7 – 9 p.m.: helping to prepare dinner and evening toilette of the clients.

Saturday and Sunday you are involved in the activities from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Your profile and Recruitment Process

Since this project is dealing with disabled people, you should be willing to and enjoy work with them. Open-mindedness will help you in any situation. The working language in St. Martin is mostly German and English. Before you start, no language skills are required, you will be invited to attend a German course during your project.

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