

# YOUTHQUAKE

Energies to rebuild!



## What is Youthquake?

Youthquake wants to bring a "quake" of new energies, competencies and enthusiasm to the area of central Italy hit by an earthquake in the summer 2016. Operating in a completely safe environment, young European volunteers will work within the local community to help rebuild the rich historical and artistic heritage of the Lazio, Abruzzo, Marche and Umbria region. They will contribute to restore the local social and cultural infrastructure, providing a sense of security and community: a way for the affected population to restart design its future.



## What will you be doing?

Several hosting organisations are participating in the project, so the activities will be various and diverse: from psycho-social and recreational activities for the most fragile categories (children, the elderly, migrants, etc.), to the protection and valorisation of material and immaterial heritage, of the environment, of manufacturing traditions; From the promotion of tourism and natural areas, to support the management of participative processes for the creation of new places of aggregation.



## What's in it for you?

### + Personal support

- ❖ Linguistic support: you will be enrolled in an on-line language course on the european OLS platform, to improve your Italian and facilitate exchanges with the local population.
- ❖ Youthpass: with the help of your organisation, you will learn about this tool until you will have completed it, by the end of your mobility period.
- ❖ Training: you will attend pre-departure, arrival and mid-term trainings from sending And hosting organisation as well as from the Agenzia Nazionale Giovani.
- ❖ In person support: you will be followed by a Tutor and a Mentor for the whole length of your experience.
- ❖ Insurance: you will be provided free insurance under the EVS scheme.



### + Financial support

- ❖ 4,00 € pocket money per day of mobility, given at the beginning of each month.
- ❖ 5,66 € food allowance per day of mobility, given at the beginning of each month.
- ❖ Max. 25 € for transportation facilities per month - if necessary - during the working time of the volunteer; the travel document shall be reimbursed at the end of the month.
- ❖ Max. 290 € return flight (275 € from France).

### + Learning outcomes

- ❖ Organisational skills: by managing your life and finances abroad while participating in the foreseen activities
- ❖ Interpersonal, multicultural and communication skills: by communicating with different stakeholders (institutions, local population, sending, hosting and other organisations, EVS colleagues). You will be dealing with people of different cultures and backgrounds, as well as people variously affected by a natural disaster.



- ❖ Technical skills: knowledge on environmental disaster prevention, community engagement/building, non-formal education.

- ❖ Project specific skills: these can involve promotion of the local produces and cultural heritage, tourism, resilience building, working with elders/children/youth/disabled, environmental protection, events organisation.

- ❖ ICT and digital communication: photography and video making/editing, use of blogs and social networks for social communication and advocacy campaigns.

## What's expected from you?

- ❖ Being responsible of self-monitoring your own learning process.
- ❖ Being responsible to act in a safe manner during the service and to avoid situations of danger.
- ❖ Taking part to the pre-departure training in the sending country and to the on-arrival and mid-term training in Italy, both the one provided by the hosting organization and the one provided by the National Italian Agency.
- ❖ Taking part in the evaluation session in your sending country and in Italy.
- ❖ Informing the coordinating, hosting and sending organisations of any problem related to your service as soon as possible.
- ❖ Assuming a positive attitude towards the activities and the context.
- ❖ Supporting actively the visibility and dissemination of the project.
- ❖ Being proactive in carrying out the tasks and activities of the project.
- ❖ Being responsible to save and provide to the sending and receiving Organisation all the documentation attesting travels and payments during the service.



## What do you need to participate?

Generally, you won't need specific competencies and knowledge in order to participate, unless otherwise specified. You will be selected based on your interest in volunteering on a post-earthquake affected area, your attitude, your willingness to interact with people of different ages, potentially in a marginalized or otherwise difficult situation (from a psychological, economic, social point of view). Knowledge of Italian is not compulsory, but will be positively evaluated.



In order to be part of the programme you will need to find a sending organisation accredited to participate in the EVS ( a list can be found at [https://europa.eu/youth/volunteering/evs-organisation\\_en?country=&topic=&field\\_eyv\\_vp\\_accreditation\\_type=1&town=&name=&pic=&ei\\_ref=&inclusion\\_topic=](https://europa.eu/youth/volunteering/evs-organisation_en?country=&topic=&field_eyv_vp_accreditation_type=1&town=&name=&pic=&ei_ref=&inclusion_topic=) )

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