

Basic Information about the ESC with ijgd in Berlin 2022/23

ijgd Berlin is the coordinating organisation of the project called “European Solidarity. ESC with ijgd in Social Projects in Berlin”. The project will be funded by the EU - program European Solidarity Corps, formerly known as EVS. We cooperate with about 15 social organisations in Berlin and different support organisations in Europe. We are active in the ESC/EVS incoming field for over 10 years.

[ijgd](#) is one of the biggest and oldest organisations for volunteering in Germany, our project “EVS/ESC in Berlin” hosts 18-20 participants every year. ijgd Germany has over 4.000 volunteers each year.

Basic info about the ESC with ijgd in Berlin:

- We cooperate with about 15 ESC hosting projects in Berlin in the social field. You can find a lot of information about the open projects on the European Youth Portal.
- Working time in the project is 30-35 hours a week. Holidays are 24 days per year plus state-holidays and weekends. Holidays should generally be taken during the closing times of the projects (Christmas/Summer).
- We see the ESC as a voluntary service within a group of volunteers. There will be, depending on the funding and accommodation-capacities, about 18-20 other ESC-volunteers in Berlin to share this year with. Also, there will be contact to other ijgd-(ex)-volunteers, both German and international.
- The volunteers live in flats with 1-4 other ESC-flatmates, everyone has his/her own room, the kitchen and bathroom will be shared. The flat is given to the volunteer by ijgd. The responsible and caring use of our lovely flats is essential for the whole project. The flats are standard students flats . A deposit of 100 € will be taken at the beginning of the ESC .
- The ESC programme provides: 150,- € (Pocket Money) per month + around 250 € per month (“food-money”) and a free public transport ticket in Berlin.
- Insurance: The blue European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) will be your main insurance during the ESC. However, the programme additionally provides a health and liability insurance (provider “Cigna”). Everyone who is not entitled to an EHIC, can also receive a full programme insurance coverage.
- Volunteers will attend an online language course by the EU (OLS). We also fund one part-time-language course for several weeks to get into the German language at your level.
- Preparation is done by the Support Organisation in the home country which is part of this ESC-project, coordinated and run by ijgd.

Thank you! :)

All these information remain under subject to change in regard to official regulations or legal requirements of the measures to contain Covid-19.