



European Voluntary Service, Baia Mare, Romania

The host association - Team for Youth

www.t4uth.ro – some of it is translated in English. You can meet our team here and find out what is our main goal as an NGO. Also read the blog of the volunteers. Many things you can find out there about us.

<https://www.facebook.com/t4uth> - to see our events, pictures and videos from activities.

Activities at T4UTH revolve around a set of values that have formed in time and have grown together with the experience of our team: intercultural learning, volunteerism, tolerance, team spirit, and excellence. Based on these beliefs, our assumed mission is to stimulate the youngsters to develop themselves through volunteering activities, international mobility and non-formal education.

The tools used to achieve our team's vision include international voluntary activities and other projects that facilitate youth mobility beyond borders. The partnerships we have built locally and internationally offer us a proper environment for recruiting, training and placing volunteers in projects with a variety of themes.

Team for Youth was born in 2009, and since then has developed activities concentrating on three main topics: voluntarism (we also work as a center for recruiting and placing volunteers in different activities in the community), non-formal education (every year we organize a Carnival of non-formal education that promotes different instruments for experiential learning), intercultural learning (we bring together the local community with volunteers from different parts of the world, including other continents, like South America or Africa).

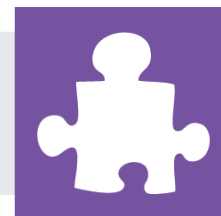


Image 1 - Baia Mare, winter is coming!

The host community – Baia Mare

Located about 600 km away from Bucharest (the capital of Romania), close to the Ukrainian and the Hungarian borders, home to 115,000 inhabitants, **Baia Mare**, the capital of Maramureş County, hosts a mixture of cultural and ethnic variety. A history of more than 2000 years of gold, silver and other nonferrous metals extraction has carved its landscapes and culture, with many architectural remaining from the medieval time.

The city itself has a number of cultural attractions, several parks and one of the best public libraries in Romania. Being surrounded by hills and mountains makes it perfect for all sorts of activities throughout all the four seasons, with spectacular hiking tracks like Creasta Cocoşului, Vârful Igriş or Vârful Pietrosu, a beautiful lake to cool you in the summer and many ski resorts for winter sports. Not to mention that **Maramureş** itself gives you the opportunity to dive into one of the last places where rural European medieval life still thrives, with



hand-built ancient wooden churches, traditional music, colorful costumes and festivals. Widely known for their hospitality, people living in Maramureș are always ready to give a helping hand.

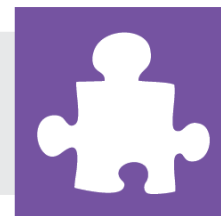
Baia Mare is well on its track of becoming the European Capital of Culture in 2021. So there is A LOT GOING on in regards to underground culture and public events.

The volunteer

T4UTH sketched the general features for the profile of the candidates, according to the activities proposed. The candidate should be between 18 to 30 years and willing to know other cultures, to work with people from disadvantaged backgrounds, to be trained to grow personally and to learn and teach non-formal methods. It is preferable that the potential candidate can motivate themselves to get involved with T4UTH and have the initiative to organize new activities individually or with an international team.

- ✓ Feeling comfortable with the idea of being the center of attention, comfortable to answer the curiosity of others about them.
- ✓ Being an ambassador of their culture, willing to talk and make presentation about their country.
- ✓ Being decided to analyze situations, communicate about problems and seek solutions to make things work better, both for themselves and the others, being proactive and confident.
- ✓ Being willing to learn and develop themselves, in an intercultural team.
- ✓ Being comfortable to work with very small children, in big groups and, also, being willing to attend and organize activities for people with visually impaired youngsters and adults.

We would appreciate it if the volunteer has, already, a medium level of English competences, as it will allow them to easily integrate in the organization, manage better the communication with the community and the other volunteers.



We do not have the facilities to host disabled volunteers or volunteers with strong social problems.

Practical arrangements

Accommodation: The volunteers of Team for Youth are hosted in rented apartments in Baia Mare. Usually, the volunteers live two or three in one room, in separate beds, for sure. If the room is not big enough for two people, it becomes a single room. Every flat has a kitchen in which the volunteers will find everything they need to cook their own food. Also, there is Wi-Fi connection in every flat. The hosting organization is covering for the costs of all utilities. We have additional stuff at the office that the volunteers can borrow for free time activities (bikes, tents, mats, wifi routers, cameras, laptops, etc.)

Phone card: every month, the volunteer will get 5 euros on their phone card. With that, they can have unlimited calls between each other and with the staff of the organization.

Language lessons: There will be Romanian lessons organized for the whole group of volunteers. They will get minimum 2 hours of lessons per week. We have our own designed methods for teaching Romanian.

WE WELCOME YOU TO BAI A MARE CITY!

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