



## EVS in Mullsjö folkhögskola, Sweden

### PeaceWorks Sweden

From 15/08/2018 to 15/07/2019\*  
Application deadline 15/05/2018  
Mullsjö, Sweden

#### organisation topics

- *International cooperation, international relations, development cooperation*
- *Creativity and culture*
- *New innovative curricula/educational methods/development of training courses*

#### description of organisation

Mullsjö folk high school is a folk high school situated in the small community of Mullsjö, close to the bigger town Jönköping in the south of Sweden. A folk high school is a school from the typically Scandinavian philosophy of using non-formal education methodology, which host adult students studying regular high schools subjects, as well as thematic courses, such as art, music or sports. There are about 150 students at the Mullsjö folk high school (all above the age of 18 years), and 40 employees.

Mullsjö folk high school is very interested in global issues and has several projects and cooperation with organizations and schools in other countries. Mullsjö folk high school has got an international profile and one of their motivations to host volunteers is to continue our development as an international meeting point.

The students of the school run a small fair trade shop where the students sell gifts and handcraft. It is open daily in the mornings during the coffee-break. Along with their work for fair trade, the school is also certified by the government for great environmental awareness. The school has a library and an indoor sports hall and the volunteers is free to use these facilities. The students play sports etc. on their leisure time and the volunteers is welcome to join the different student activities.

#### tasks of the volunteer

The activities of the volunteers will depend on their background, interests and wishes, as well as the current conditions and possibilities of the project. The volunteer will work with a few main areas:

- **work with the fair trade shop** at the school (organising the shop, decorating, helping out during opening hours etc)
- **work together with students in the cafeteria** open during the coffee breaks (preparing, cleaning, planning).
- if there is a wish and an interest: **organise informal language classes** for other interested students of the language of the volunteers, as well as workshops about their home country or other areas of experience.
- **plan and organise student/boarder school** and other activities (organising film evenings, study trips, sports activities).
- **be involved in the international cooperation** and courses for the students, as well as providing support for when the school organises conferences etc. (e.g. give the visitors practical information and support).
- **participate in Swedish classes**, and if there are other subjects of specific interest of the volunteer such as ceramics classes or international course once every week.
- **opportunity to run own projects**. After some time the volunteer may get new ideas and are welcome to present if they would like to proceed with their own project.



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### Living conditions and free time

Normally the volunteers live at the boarding school, and therefore it is usually requested, both from volunteers and students, to have common activities. This includes arrangements of sport and cultural events like tournaments, movie evenings, exhibitions etc. There are many examples of previous volunteers who have been involved in organising school trips, such as the school/field visit to Tallinn during the previous EVS-period 2013/2014 where the volunteer acted as guide for the group. Another volunteer was involved in a similar trip to Prague where students, teachers and a

guiding volunteer exchanged experiences and knowledge from each other. Since the school has a wide field of activities and many contacts, there are also other opportunities of areas and tasks to do. There can also be a possibility for the volunteers to take part in primary school as assistants in helping the children with their homework in English. They can also take part in the school's daytime school for immigrants in Jönköping, in case they would like to see how this part of the school works.

*\*The volunteers are also entitled to 4 weeks of vacation and this will need to be taken out during summer and latest from the 15<sup>th</sup> of June as the Folk highschool are on summer break!*

### how to apply

send your CV and motivation letter to project coordinator Nasma Salim at [nasma.salim@peaceworks.se](mailto:nasma.salim@peaceworks.se) with a headline "EVS in Mullsjö folkhögskola" till 15/05/2018

