

9236 Encounters in the Waldheim Foundation

Report

Requirements / intentions in voluntary work

We will support, to serve the people and learning new things every day, offering a bit of what we know our customs and to show to other people, look for strategies that would work for us work together, share methods and obtain good results. Given that we were going to a labor camp where disabled people find our purpose was to improve the stay of them to do activities that benefited their place of residence.

Preparations for field work

The information you provided was ijgd offices about our work camp helped us to have a good control to the group by having self-sufficiency in space management and standards for all team members and the rules for people minors, of the requirements we had to play as field work and documentation that had to be included.

As individuals we are not always used to live all the time with disabled people who have the same rights as everyone else, this time we play the opportunity to work and live with disabilities wonderful people that we would learn something new and interesting every day.

The group coupling well to this situation and to the work that we had to make for the conservation of the residential

Accommodation and food

the group was staying at the school of residence clubenhagen, the school was only for our use, had two rooms for women's dorms and one for each person male dorm bed and had had his own space for their things, we had with adequate bathrooms and showers with a dining room, kitchen, laundry area and gym. We could make use of nearby areas

The supervisor of this project, we visited each weekday morning, we relied on activities such as in shopping we needed, got bikes for all supported us in our work and gave us ideas for activities we could do in the evenings and late week. Besides fulfilling the wishes of the group and we were always in agreement.

The money is provided to us a week was enough, we organize the money per day, every day we went shopping for a day later, so did we never lack food or money, we were organizing in pairs and everyone was fed and took care of housecleaning. The food was different regions depending on who cooked.

Contacts for local people / public relations

Achim's population had in mind that the group work camp was in the residences to assist in activities such as cleaning, restoring and providing things for the creation of sites to support learning disabled, the population was aware that there to support and we were not rewarded them with meals, or invitations to other parties, and our final party we were sharing a nice evening with a part of the community who wish to attend our Italian night we did for the entire village.

As foreigners we had no conflict at hand were always supported by society

From the beginning we were interviewed by two local newspapers to publicize that we were there to

help, so we received several presents from them as invitations to meals.

The work of the project work - relationship with the project supervisor

Since the group is to complete, we merge it as one team, and that was to end, is so that we achieve the objective that they intend for us, all activities were completed we had to perform as a group and we were given one last day to organize our belongings and to make a party for us and for the people.

In our stay there was no disagreement with the manager of the project, we coupled the rules from the beginning and our supervisor was every day to see if we needed anything, and always met the wishes of the group.

WORK ORGANIZATION

The working group successfully and coupling to the activities that were offered to us every day we had a list of activities that had to do each day, the tasks were simple and easy to perform were not matter of strength, and so that we performed all of both sexes, there was no gender racism. What we conducted in groups, we divided each day by different groups and everyone decided that we want to do is have a similar job role and also a role of cooking, we all worked equally and all rested at the same time, if we needed material, the next day gave us, the roles were given were chosen as the organizer of the project came through the list to do daily

CONTENT OF WORK / meaning of the work

good our work was simple, it had to do everything we could we put a touch of the activities we carried out, a mark, a design donated paintings and small benches decked herself to give it a teaching at all, no work needed a great effort but if a team work, a mutual agreement to make something work, give each person the best of each person to perform the work as and satisfactorily. The problem was from the outset that post only to be teenagers sometimes have the concept that will be run by people much older than them and were met with surprise that those who were in charge of them had the same age, that was then because we benefit so they became friends a communication director rather than workers.

WORK MOTIVATION

Then as a group did not have conflict, we all worked equally, and if anyone felt any inconvenience it was treated orally and fails to have any impact since it could be a result according to all. We worked only four hours per day and it was hard work to do this to every thing we were doing what we did with desire to work and an effort to help.

Disabled people who were there when they realize they did something for them, where they live, rewarded us with flowers or with a big smile, that was one of our motivations as a group, since we have to reshape a reward for them

RELATIONSHIP WITH STAFF AND foremen

the behavior of people who gave us some support were always attentive and always showed availability and willingness to support it so we were not in disagreement with the group, since we can say that achievement to have a friendship with these people

Participants

not had any problems due to the formation of the group as this was very accessible to new changes, willing to learn new traditions, religion was not a subject of conversation, and on age and sex was not significant to the group, all were treated equally.

The expectations of the group were not different than we do, what information was given was what we made, only clearly explained as we had to do things where we were given accommodation was better than what we had some imagined, according to their experiences. the work was not heavy and most of the work was to provide easily our creativity and teamwork.

International / Intercultural learning

The internationality was accepted to the group, became known in the meals, leisure time, the members liked the idea of sharing different things, dishes, dances and traditions. There was no problem of racism or any kind, the group was very passive and interested in learning new things

All members had only their native language and English, which was that we communicated with them, some did not have English as fluid, than others, some might translate into other, other I could explain if not understood, but all supported this anyone refusing to people. Some tried to share words in their language and others were pleased to learn

the result of sharing traditions, languages, foods, dances was favorable to the group, everyone had something to contribute, and everyone wanted to learn.

Have you had experience in international youth work before? If so, indicate their experiences? You think you've learned anything during this time related to intercultural learning?

If, to participate in partnership projects Our Land (in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico), mainly in the Sea Turtle, where efforts are underway to protect these endangered species and receive local volunteers and foreign nationals. During my experience I have learned the differences between some of the cultures, thoughts, attitudes, etc.. volunteers with whom I play do the activities.

9. Ecology / Environmental Protection

For our work plan we did ecological, they bought all kinds of organic products to avoid damaging the atmosphere and provide information and education to young people about ecology, garbage separation did that for many people was be impressed because I did not used to do. We did not have the ease of buying products in farms or other places we only had the bakery was not far from where it was the residence. All we had left far from where we lived, shopping was like walking 20 minutes or more, and no stores nearby.

The food was often vegetarian, so we decided unanimously and typical dishes were sometimes if you eat meat sometimes, depending on the cook.

The group leader

To begin to know, we did presentations, dynamic learning to work together, we came to know two days before starting work

leader was responsible only for managing the money and make the final decision. But all decisions were by vote of all members and all were treated equally, in leisure and at work. To have approximately the same age they were easy to work with the group to make it more friendly equipment, treatment was not superior to inferior, as we all respected. But the leader had to say at the end by all for their opinions.

Found it difficult to be with the group of people for being so young would be in an attitude of defiance or unpleasant, but it was the opposite because they were more participatory

The group process

The group began appearing, with dynamics to better know and to learn how each member would work, we integrate in bedrooms, as only three men who were the minority group gave him a room just for them, a small to compare the Furthermore, the other women were divided into two rooms. We roles of feeding and cleaning, we review the rules that had to be there, who would command the group had and how they were going to organize things, pray and leisure work. How often would go shopping and type of food they buy and the type of food they ingest.

Frequented hold meetings to decide what could be done in the week after working together doing activities such as excursions through the forest, river, lake. We could make use of the pool that was in that place, the green area, and the gym

The conditions under which we were in the field, was very different from each participant in her home. Mainly in the way we slept in that school, in the work we did together. The organization had made us more responsible and made us new things to light as all traditions that are shared among other things. There were no problems of sexuality. Very few men, had a room for them, there was another couple but did not rate a problem since most of the time we were together and did activities as a team.

Education Seminar

What seminar IJGD not join in preparing for its leadership position?

Does the training seminar has personal meaning for you?

Yes, because I think I learned a lot from the experiences of others who shared team

Does the training seminar has a special meaning for you, in connection with the preparation of field work?

What was seen at week seminar meant to me because I was taught as being in front of a group being non-authoritarian, different dynamics and control was not aware of rules and proper administration.

Where has been the main focus of his training seminar: personal questions, the group's problems, pedagogical and political questions, legal notices or organizations?

It is important to know the experiences of other people, including political questions among other things, because you always have doubts on how the group manages to different circumstances.