



WHO ARE WE? ABOUT OUR ORGANIZATION

Oikos Onlus, born in Udine in 2005, is an NGO that deals with development cooperation and international solidarity projects in Africa and Latin America, in the fields of education, human rights, rural development and food security.

For years, the association has also been involved in global education, integration, training and international volunteering, as well as welcoming asylum seekers, always following the

guidelines of its mission and vision.

Oikos Onlus from 18 April 2019 is also accredited as a Hosting Organization. It received the QL (Quality Label) as a sending body (since 2012 it has been accredited as a training and sending body for European volunteers) and as an ESC welcoming body (European Voluntary Corps).

For more information www.oikosonlus.net

THE CITY: TORVISCOSA (UDINE)

Torviscosa is a small town of about 3000 inhabitants located in Friuli Venezia Giulia, in the North East of Italy. Border territories, Friuli is located a few kilometers from Slovenia and about an hour from Austria. Torviscosa is located in the Bassa Friulana, near the sea, about twenty kilometers from the urban centers of Trieste and Udine and only an hour by train from Venice.

Torviscosa is one of those urban settlements that arose in Italy during the thirties of the twentieth century and connected to hy-



draulic reclamation interventions or to particular production cycles. It was an imposing phenomenon, which altogether has 70 foundations between cities, towns and villages in 28 different provinces. Historians of architecture and urban planning have coined for these centers the formula “city of foundation” to underline the peculiarity, in the Italian urban context, of these building typologies characterized by regime architecture.

The foundation of Torviscosa is linked to a large Italian company, SNIA Viscosa, which in 1937 chose this area for an important agricultural and industrial settlement

for the production and processing of vegetable fibers from which to obtain cellulose. Since 1920, in fact, SNIA's activity was mainly concentrated in the production of viscose, the so-called artificial silk, for which it needed cellulose as raw material.

Today Torviscosa remains one of the still original examples of regime architecture, with long tree-lined avenues and an Olympic-sized swimming pool, recently renovated and which animates the summer of the city.

Learn more about Torviscosa at: www.comune.torviscosa.ud.it

HOW TO GET

Plane:

Aeroporto Ronchi dei Legionari – TS

www.triesteairport.it

Train or Bus from Airport to Cervignano del Friuli

www.trenitalia.com

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ACCOMODATION

Oikos Onlus offers two different solutions, based on the sensitivity and availability of its volunteers.

The first: availability of a double room into the Community for Unaccompanied Foreign Minors “Una casa nel Mondo”, with a bathroom shared only by the operators.

Large shared spaces for lunch and moments of relax. Large outdoor garden.

The second: house located in Torviscosa, close the Community and equipped to accommodate up to five people.

The community “Una casa nel mondo”: 5 minutes on foot or by cycle

The Youth Aggregation Center: 5 minute walk away

The Sarcinelli Rest Home: 10 minutes by bus

In addition, for longer journeys and/or to accompany the guests of the Oikos Onlus Community, the association's van is available.



EUROPEAN SOLIDARITY CORPS ACTIVITIES

In order to be a place of welcome and support for an international civil volunteer, below we list some of the actions in which she/he could be involved within the service.

Volunteers will be engaged in different activities and projects with each other at:

Comunità Oikos Onlus “**Una casa nel mondo**” - TORVISCOSA

• educational support for activities with minors – from 14 to 17 years old within the Community.

- support in learning a foreign language
- listening and support activities in school learning
- promotions in schools and educational activities on multiculturalism

Cooperativa **ITACA** – Centro di Aggregazione Giovanile C.A.G. - TORVISCOSA
Alongside Itaca educators in:

•aggregation activities within the CAG (Youth Aggregation Center) or during outings in the area in the involvement of the community through its potential

•cultural actions to promote sensitivity, knowledge and skills with respect to the needs of the youth world

•actions of active citizenship with the project of the Municipal Council of Children (CCR) or with the involvement of the community

•the realization of transversal projects with other CAG of the territory

Retirement home **C.d.R. Valentino Sarcinelli** – CERVIGNANO

Educator support in:

•animation activities (table games, reading newspapers, conversation, manual laboratories)

•care of the vegetable garden and greenery and flowers in collaboration with the residents

•cooking activity in collaboration with the residents

•interior decoration in collaboration with the residents (study and design of coloured walls and doors)

•Multimedia content production (photo albums of the activities, storytelling on residents' lives)

ESC VOLUNTEERING

The project will **start in April 2021** and it will last **6 months, until September 2021**.

We have the opportunity to invite 5 volunteers from EU Partner countries and program countries. People&Planet Project aims to be a transnational volunteering project to promote solidarity, community and environment sustainable development.

PROJECT GOALS:

To promote solidarity and sustainable development through volunteering

To foster youth participation, especially young people with fewer opportunities

To promote social inclusion, diversity, intercultural dialogue and multilingualism

To produce learning outcomes in the volunteers, through new knowledge, skills and attitudes boosting their personal and professional development

VOLUNTEERS' PROFILE

Reliable, proactive, dynamic, open-minded and flexible people, with problem solving and good interpersonal communication skills.

Predisposition to intercultural relations and to work in multicultural contexts.

An intermediate level of English is highly recommended. The respect of basic rules at the workplace and at home makes the volunteering experience both for the volunteer and for the association better and easier.

YOU WILL NOT BE ALONE

Working with youth at risk of social exclusion and the elderly is not easy. During the entire project, volunteers will be able to count on the support of the project coordinator and other organization staff, whose experience can be very helpful. In addition, we'll provide a series of training sessions that will prepare you to take on this challenge.

VOLUNTEERING IN TORVISCOSA

Volunteers will work from Monday to Friday.

Sometimes there may be the need to work at night or weekends, but those working days will be compensated with days-off.

Every day will be different. Volunteers will participate in specially prepared trainings.

There are also free time. Each volunteer will have 2 days off per every work month during the project.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

During the project each volunteer will receive financial support under the European Solidarity Corps program.

Each participant receive approximately 150€ per month of pocket money and 150€ of food allowance.

Volunteers will be also provided with a card for public transport.

Each volunteer will manage their own budget.