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## European Solidarity Corps - Volunteering Activities

### Project Description

#### Offene Jugendarbeit Hohenems

<b>Voluntary Project:</b>	Offene Jugendarbeit Hohenems
<b>Number of volunteers:</b>	1
<b>Project duration:</b>	06.10.2025 to 30.09.2026

#### Project Topics:

- Youth (Youth Work, Participation, Youth Policy, Streetwork, events, workshops, excursions, projects)
- Children (work in residential complexes, Kidscafe)
- Creativity and culture

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#### Hosting organisation:

Offene Jugendarbeit Hohenems, Hohenems, Austria

#### Supporting/Coordinating organisation:

aha – Jugendinformationszentrum Vorarlberg, Dornbirn, Austria



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### **Project description:**

Open youth work in Offene Jugendarbeit Hohenems can now look back on decades of history and has been accompanying young people on their way to adulthood ever since. It is based on the guiding ethical principles of social work and is a non-profit, non-denominational and non-partisan association which works in the interests of young people. It focusses on human education and also a humanistic educational mission as well as the imparting of social and cultural skills.

Young people are not only accompanied for many years by open youth work in a decisive phase of life in which educational and life skills are formed, but also strengthened and supported in all their individuality.

The essential goal is the relationship work with or to young people as well as the freedom and participation, and a special space is always given.

The open youth work in Hohenems is part of an existing network that is constantly being expanded and maintained. In addition, open youth work accompanies and mediates the cooperation between young people and system partners on behalf of the young ones. The Hohenems open youth work team supports and accompanies in all matters the young people, professionally and competently.

There are specific counselling aspects of social work, for example work in residential complexes, free of charge application coaching as well as free learning support (individual method development), digital youth work, KidsCafé, social work projects, workshops for large and small projects such as Holiday programs, school workshops, prevention of bullying and cyberbullying, cooperation projects as well as cooperation events, intergenerational events and much more.

### Front- and backoffice

Front office: Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. as well as Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Backoffice: Can be reached from Tuesday to Friday at the e-mail addresses [office@ojah.at](mailto:office@ojah.at), [samantha@ojah.at](mailto:samantha@ojah.at).



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### Teamwork

There is always a big team meeting at the end of the month. In between, we hold stand-up meetings that usually last half an hour. In general, we attach great importance to working together as a team. Regular team hygiene activities underline this.

*The following offers are focused at all young people aged 12 and over.*

### Open operation

The open operation takes place from Wednesday to Saturday and every second Sunday.

### One-on-one meetings and advice

One-on-one conversations are possible by appointment/arrangement, and they occur from Wednesday to Saturday.

### Streetwork/Mobile Youth Work

The Streetwork/Mobile Youth Work (MOJA) is held on different days and located in different places in Hohenems.

### Application coaching

The free application coaching can be provided from Wednesday to Saturday. An appointment and arrangement is needed.

### Learning support

Young people, with the age of 12 and over, can make an appointment for individual learning support from Wednesday to Saturday. During the regular opening hours, the resources (room, material, etc.) can be used independently without an appointment.

### Girls\* and Boys\* work (gender sensitive)

Various offers for groups of girls and boys, which topics are dedicated in a life-oriented way.



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### Projects, workshops, events

Offene Jugendarbeit Hohenems offers a wide range of thematic projects, workshops, holiday and monthly programs, as well as events.

### Recording studio and rehearsal room

Young people interested in music or dance-oriented have the opportunity to showcase their talents in OJAH (one separately room and one studio).

### Workshops to book and working with schools

From Tuesday to Thursday for schools: Media literacy, Violence, Bullying and Cyberbullying prevention as well as self-defense. In addition, we offer a healthy snack in the schools once a month and do a variety of projects and events together.

*The following offers are focused at young people aged 6-16 years.*

### KidsCafé

The children's cafe takes place every last Friday of the month and is also free of charge. Attention: Only this offer is for all children between 6 and 10 years.

### Work in residential complexes

The work with children and young people in residential complexes is based on the basic principles of Open Youth Work and takes place twice a week.

**You can find more on Instagram, Facebook and on our homepage, [www.ojah.at](http://www.ojah.at).**

**Pictures you will find on the last pages!**



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### **Tasks of the volunteer:**

The volunteer will work five days a week, 34 hours a week including German course. S/he will have two days holidays per month.

S\*He will primarily support us in our work in the youth centers. S\*he also has the opportunity to get to know all of our areas (including working with children). Another part of his/her work is the various projects with a focus on sport, education, creativity and culture. At the same time, the volunteer can also realize his/her own projects and contribute his/her own talents.

The main tasks will be: Working in the youth center/youth café, leisure work with the young people, helping with our events, in- and outdoor activities, cooperation events, excursions, holiday programs and workshops.

We show her\*him our work, explain our work, our importance's. S\*he must ask for various details to get explained and show interest in the work to understand our work. We explain her\*him our operations and the "why" and learn her\*him the handling with youngsters and children.

### **Volunteer profile:**

Children and youngsters are our future.

We would be happy to have an open minded and interested person who would like to get to know our (really) diverse and important work, our organization and loves the work with young people and different cultures.

Our working hours are when young people have time. Usually means in the afternoon and evening - understanding to have other working hours as other jobs is very important!

As the target group in our youth centres is between 10 and 20 years, we would prefer a person who is least 20 years old.

### **How to apply:**

Please write a mail with your CV (incl. picture of you, date of birth,...) and a motivation letter to [karla.zweier@aha.or.at](mailto:karla.zweier@aha.or.at). After the application deadline we will have selection rounds with the staff. During those selection rounds it's possible that we will contact you for further information through mail, phone calls or zoom.



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→ Don't forget to add the name of the project when you apply for it!

### **Practical arrangements:**

The volunteer will live in a student housing, where also other volunteers, students and residents from different backgrounds live. The housing is organised by the hosting organisation. S\*he will have a room with an own bathroom ensuite and share a kitchen and common rooms with the other residents. The infrastructure with trains and buses is very accessible and frequent and additionally, s\*he will also have a bicycle at her\*his disposal. The volunteer will receive a ticket for free use of any public transport in the whole region of Vorarlberg during the complete time.

### Information on the day of arrival with the open youth work in Hohenems

On the first day, the volunteer will be picked up from the airport, we will have dinner together with the whole team in a restaurant and then the volunteer will be taken to the new home. The next day, the volunteer will be picked up by one of the team and shown both: The city of the apartment and the city of work.

### **Support during the voluntary service:**

The volunteer will have regular meetings with her\*his tutor in our organisation to talk about the development of the project, task assignments, general wellbeing, problems, wishes, etc.

The Supporting/Coordinating Organisation will hold a monthly evaluation meeting with all volunteers in Vorarlberg.

In the end of the project we will together with the volunteer evaluate the project, what s/he has learned and which competences s/he has gained and as a result fill out the Youthpass. Furthermore, there will be a final personal evaluation meeting with the Supporting/Coordinating Offene Jugendarbeit Hohenems.

### **Related links:**

Website: <http://ojah.at/>

Instagram: [ojahohenems](https://www.instagram.com/ojahohenems)

Project description on the European project database:

[https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/opportunity/44390\\_en](https://youth.europa.eu/solidarity/opportunity/44390_en)



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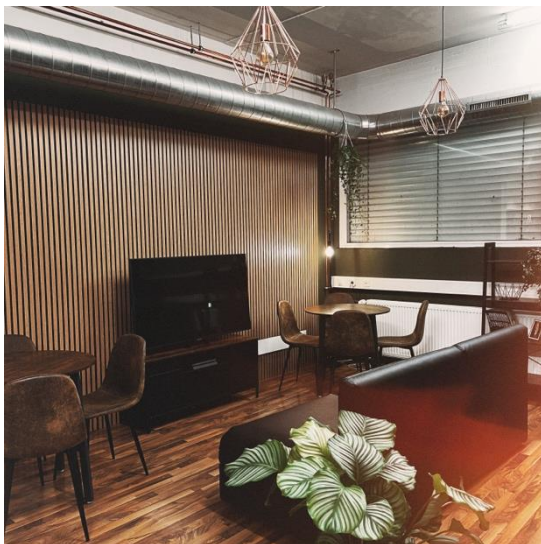
## Pictures from Offene Jugendarbeit Hohenems

### Youth Center s'Kästle

Kaiser-Franz-Josefstraße 61  
6845 Hohenems

*The premises of all our houses/rooms are not only multifunctional, modern and welcoming, but also barrier free, open and youth-friendly.*

Kästle: Office, Girls\*room, dancing/singing room, learning room, one large room, big kitchen, big garden (in total +/- 450 square meters).





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## Youth Club Fair Future and sports ground

Markus-Sittikus-Straße 6a  
6845 Hohenems

Fair Future: Office, one big room, small kitchen, big outdoor place/sports ground.







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## Gemeinschaftsraum Brühl

Im Brühl 1  
6845 Hohenems

Gemeinschaftsraum Brühl: One room, outdoor place

