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When unaccompanied foreign minors (UFMs) arrive in Germany, they want to live an ordinary life, work and integrate into German society. However, it is difficult to integrate in a country if they don't speak the language and don't know anything about the culture. We, at HUBI, think that knowing the history of a country allows a foreigner to better understand its habits and ways of life and to adopt them more easily. That's why our association helps them to learn German language and civilization. The project "History and Integration" is part of the German civilization courses of the association.

- ➔ The three main goals for the UFMs are to discover the History of Germany, to develop their language skills and to integrate through the exchange with young Germans.

Project's organization:

Place: Berlin

Date and duration: For the year 2021-2022 we plan to host 50 unaccompanied foreign minors in our association. 25 of them will participate in the one-week trip in December 2021, the other 25 in May 2022.

“Gymnasium” partner: The students of the Hermann-Hesse Gymnasium will be the pen pals of the teenagers of our association. The families of these students will be the host families of the UFM.

Activities:

- On the one hand, for the "History" part of the program, many cultural visits are planned: The Jewish Museum, the GDR Museum, the Holocaust Memorial and Checkpoint Charlie. A more general tour of the city is also planned. Students will be able to visit the Brandenburg Gate, the East Side

Gallery, the Bundestag, the Christmas markets (December 2021) or Charlottenburg Palace (May 2022).

- On the other hand, for the "Integration" part of the program, we offer the students the opportunity to spend two mornings with the Berlin students at the "Gymnasium" to attend classes with them. They also stay with the families of their pen pals so that they can exchange with them and improve their German. At the end of the program, we offer a closing party where each of our students has the opportunity to talk about their country of origin and exchange about their life with all the Berlin students who will participate in the project.

People involved in the project: Five volunteers and one staff member of the association take part in the project. The volunteers are German teachers and German civilization teachers.

Budget: The UFM's won't have to pay anything during their stay. Therefore, the association and its financial partners cover the transport costs, some meals and the costs for the activities. We have a total budget of 4700 euros

Financial partners: UN Refugee Agency, Aktion Mensch, Robert Bosch Stiftung, Freudenberg Stiftung are our usual financial partners and are also committed to our project.



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