



INFORMATION FOR HOSTING PARTNERS



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About Chantiers jeunesse

Chantiers jeunesse is a non-profit organization created in 1980 to promote the development of young, active and engaged citizens while fostering community development. With some 40 partners in 35 countries in Europe, the Americas and Asia, Chantiers jeunesse gives youth over the age of 15 the opportunity to participate in various short- or medium-term volunteer projects related to the environment, heritage protection, construction, renovation, social issues and culture.

Mission

Chantiers jeunesse is a non-profit organization that aims to foster the development of young active and engaged citizens, support the development of communities and the full potential of individuals by providing learning and training places in collaboration with Canadian and international partners, in a spirit of solidarity and respect for differences.

Through its volunteer projects, Chantiers jeunesse aims to:

- 👏 Help youth become engaged citizens
- 👏 Encourage individuals and groups to tackle socio-environmental issues
- 👏 Foster solidarity, social justice and participatory democracy
- 👏 Support non-violent communication and intercultural education
- 👏 Promote volunteering as a hobby

Vision

Chantiers jeunesse helping create a supportive community with a global worldview, welcoming diversity and pluralism, and concerned with the development of the full potential of individuals and communities. Our project is part of an international movement focusing on volunteering that aims to develop a local community and particularly groups young people around a leisure act. Our projects recreate living environments and become a reflection of life in society.

Our Programs

A **workcamp** is a volunteer project carried out by a multicultural group to meet the needs of a local community.

👏 International Workcamps

More than 2,000 community development workcamps carried out by groups of a dozen international volunteers.

35+ countries | 7 to 21 days | 18+ years old

👏 Individual Internships

Individual internships abroad providing participants new personal and professional skills.

Various destinations | 1 to 12 months | 18+ years old

👏 Introductory Social Engagement Workcamps

Introduction to volunteering for school and community groups.

In Quebec and abroad | 5 to 21 days | 14 to 17 years old



👏 **NEW!** Leadership in Your Own Hands

Funded by the Government of Canada, through the Canada Service Corps.



Entrepreneurship Projects

Participants create projects to meet a community's needs.

Canada | Variable duration | 18 to 30 years old

Intercultural Cooperation Workcamps

Participants volunteer and experience group living in a dynamic Canadian community.

**Canada | 2 to 3 weeks | Summer & Winter
15 to 17 years old | 18 to 30 years old | Family**

Intercultural Cooperation Workcamps

Workcamps: the foundation of your work project

Our volunteers can choose from a range of work projects. These key initiatives are created to meet the needs of local communities or organizations.

Group living is also central to our workcamps. Under the supervision of one or two camp leaders, some 15 young people from Canada and abroad can enjoy a rewarding experience together.

Environment
Renovation
Heritage
preservation
Restoration
Culture and society

Volunteer groups work
approximately 30 hours per week
on community
development projects.

Room and board are provided during the workcamp. Accommodations depend on the project. Groups can live in community centres, dormitories or tents. They're also allocated a budget for groceries; cooking is a great way for participants to share culinary specialties.

Volunteer groups

The groups are made of volunteers between the ages of 15-17 years old or 18-30 years old

2/3 of the group consists of young Canadians who represent the country's demographics. Although they have varying life and work experiences, they are highly motivated by their desire to learn and become active and engaged citizens in their community.

1/3 of the group is made up of international volunteers from any of the 50 member of the Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organizations in 35 countries. These young people choose the project through their local organization, according to their personal interests and availabilities. They are eager to discover your community are ready to pay for their air transport and make the administrative steps to volunteer for a cause that they truly believe in.

Families: 8 families (one or two parents aged 18 to 30 accompanied by their child (ren) aged 2 to 12).

How Can I Host an Intercultural Cooperation Workcamp in Canada?

Do you:

- 👉 Have an idea for a local or regional development project that would **foster community growth**?
- 👉 Want young volunteers to help you implement your project?
- 👉 Have a detailed plan for a work project that will have a lasting impact?

We're looking for new partners

Chantiers jeunesse is on the lookout for hosting partners with an exciting **local or regional development project** with community support.

If you're a **non-profit organization, municipality, band council or government organization** with a community development project, you can host a Chantiers jeunesse workcamp. Our volunteers carry out a range of activities (environment, renovation, heritage, culture and society) according to your needs

Project example

The Municipality of Jeunessville wanted to highlight the wealth of its heritage and to do so, has set up a cultural festival whose activities take place in the heart of the village. Volunteers were assigned to assist the volunteer committee to complete several renovations the week before the festival-goers arrived. For example, they repaired and repainted daisies and faded benches, decorated the parish hall, and so on. During the festival, they took part in organizing and animation tasks such as help with the preparation of games for children. The group was housed at the Des Chutes holiday camp, located less than 10 km from the village.



Réalisation d'un herbier
Saint-Bruno de Kamouraska, 2018



Aménagement de sentiers
pédestre au Jardin des
Sources, Sainte-Thérèse, 2017



Réalisation d'une passerelle
Parc régional des Sept-Chutes, 2018

Engage with Chantiers jeunesse

Chantiers jeunesse agrees to:

- 👉 Support the hosting partner throughout the project and work towards all partners' goals
- 👉 Actively participate in the workcamp
- 👉 Coordinate the recruitment, selection and training of volunteers
- 👉 Hire, train and supervise camp leaders who will support volunteers during the workcamp
- 👉 Implement an educational approach for individuals or communities focused on community living (young people will gain experience in social involvement, volunteer work and group living while honing their management and participatory democracy skills)
- 👉 Provide volunteers with a budget for food and community activities
- 👉 Provide health and safety insurance at work (CNESST) for volunteers
- 👉 Provide a minibus for all volunteers and a driver with a class 4B licence throughout the workcamp
- 👉 Pay the volunteers' occupational health and safety insurance (CNESST)
- 👉 Promote the project with the hosting partner
- 👉 Provide a corrugated plastic sign to be placed in a visible location on the workcamp site to advertise the project to the community
- 👉 Work with the hosting partner to organize a public closing party to celebrate the participants' achievements and the partners' involvement, if applicable (participants will put in four hours to prepare and carry out this event; it is considered part of the work project)
- 👉 Ensure that at least one camp leader is on-site
- 👉 Ensure that the Intercultural Cooperative Workcamp coordinator is available
- 👉 Evaluate and follow up on the project with the partners

The hosting partner agrees to:

- 👉 Thoroughly define and plan an initiative that will have a concrete and lasting impact; the initiative should be part of a broader local or regional development project
- 👉 Provide the tools, materials and safety equipment necessary to carry out the work project; liability insurance must also be provided
- 👉 Provide a technical expert to help participants with tasks and occupational safety training for roughly 15 hours per week
- 👉 Provide accommodations for 17 people with a kitchen and bathrooms; housing should have a warm atmosphere (e.g., community centre, rectory, church basement, cottage, school, etc.)
- 👉 Provide a financial contribution of \$1,750 per week to cover part of Chantiers jeunesse's direct costs during the workcamp (food and activities)
- 👉 Help young volunteers meet the local population
- 👉 Promote the project with Chantiers jeunesse
- 👉 Assign individuals clear roles and specific duties (usually one project coordinator and one technical expert)

Partnership Call (in progress)

1. Sending the project proposal form | from Sept. 7 to Nov. 15, 2018
2. Analysis and selection of projects by the Selection Committee | week of Nov. 19, 2018
3. Confirmation of partnerships (all partners will be contacted) | week of Nov. 26, 2018
4. Signing Memoranda of Understanding | dec. 2018
5. Implementation of the Intercultural Cooperation Channels Logistics in Partnership | Jan to May 2019
6. Send the payment to CJ | 1 month before the construction
7. Realization of workcamps | June to August 2019

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