

Point Information Jeunesse Vichy Communauté

The Youth Information Center "Vichy Communauté" is a local association which celebrated its 20 years in 2016. It is known and recognized by the young people and its funders.

Our mission: inform young people about every subjects they are interested in! The information must be verified to be shared: a monitoring work of the information is essential. Our structure creates flyers and posters to share the informations. But besides it, the PIJ operates in many originals ways to inform the young people, : we organize informative events and surrounds itself with specialists.

Since the 2000s, the PIJ is specialized in the European information. After having note an important lack of international information, we decided to developp it in many ways.

The PIJ became then an ambassador of the previous Program PEJA (European Youth Program in Action). Nowadays the PIJ is still the main partner of the "Europe Direct Allier" program, which is a partnership with the departmental Council of Allier for the implementation and the development of the departmental Office of information about Europe. This program accompanied several young people projects (Youth for the Democracy - Initiatives of young people - EVS). The PIJ wishes to welcome young people in EVS to show that the mobility is possible. This mobility is a unique experience for both, the volunteer and the hosting organization.

The PIJ is now able to welcome an EVS volunteer. The main objective is to let him share this experience to other young people and make them want to live an EVS year abroad!

The PIJ also provides animations to keep alive the information and have young people be aware of the available information. The PIJ organizes around 50 events each year specifically for young people. Everyone is welcome during the events and it always totally free. Even if the PIJ is a specialist of general information, it develops its skills to be as qualified as possible with young people so that it got special skill into European information.

The PIJ is part of the « CIDJ » national information network. The PIJ offer practical information at a national, regional a local level in 9 areas:

Education, Formation, employment, formation, practical life, free time, vacation, abroad and sports.

The PIJ provides free services, in an anonymous way and without appointment.

In addition to the specialization in general information, the PIJ developed in 2003 in the department of Europe to answer to many demands of youth.

Since the early 2000s, the PIJ developed his skills in European information. Mobility is at the heart of the proposals of the association to help youth people to grow and evolve in their future life. The staff is able to give specifics information's about European programs such as mobility ones (ESC for example) and host in 2018 the first European volunteer in the association.

The PIJ has a small but skilled Team. One person in the staff is specialized in international work and will be identified as the tutor of the volunteering project.

In 2019, Lucas is the key person of the ESC 11. He will be the tutor of the Hosting Project. He participated himself to a one year German-French volunteering in Berlin and studied international relationship and cooperation during a 2 years Master in Lille. He knows different kind of partners and person to work with on a national or European scale.