

## Announcement

for an international long-term voluntary service with Friedenskreis Halle e.V.  
in the period: mid September 2018 until mid September 2018 (12 months)  
within the program: weltwärts



## **Become an international long-term volunteer in Halle (Germany)**

We, Friedenskreis Halle e.V., are a coordinating organisation for international long-term voluntary services in Germany within the German program "weltwärts", a program somehow connected to the issue of "development cooperation".

Currently, we are looking for volunteers for the period mid September 2018 until mid September 2018 (12 months)!

Within "weltwärts"-program, there are 4 main actors: the volunteer, the sending organisation, the coordinating organisation (us) and the place of assignment (poa), where practical work takes place.

We can offer a service at the following places of assignments (poas):

- Kinder und Jugendhaus e.V., working with kids and youth (open youth work)
- Clare Zetkin e.V., 2places, working with kids and youth (childrens home)
- Humanistischer Regionalverband, working with kids and youth (open youth work and events for groups/classes) (in cooperation with a another poa)
- Friedenskreis Halle e.V., educational and office work (in cooperation with a another poa)
- Kita St. Ulrich, working with kids
- Kita Marktspatzen, working with kids
- Hort of the protestant school Heide-Nord, work with kids (after school care)
- Lebenstraum Halle e.V., 2places, working with disabled adults in a living group

*Please be aware: That list still is subject to changes. Listed above are the poas of the cycle 2017-18. We are in the process of finalizing the list for the cycle 2018-19.*

### **Application period: 10.12.2017 – 31.12.2017**

*Please be aware: Out of organizational and fairness reasons we only consider applications made within that period and corresponding to our application guidelines (to be find below)!*

## **You want to know more?**

For information about "weltwärts" check the weltwärts- homepage: <http://www.weltwaerts.de/en/>

For information about Friedenskreis Halle e.V., the specific upset of the voluntary services with us and about living in Halle, please have a look at our **Information booklet "Welcome"**.

For more information on the places of assignment (POA), please have a look at the **profiles**.

Both, profiles and information booklet, are for insight and download on our Homepage

([www.friedenskreis-halle.de](http://www.friedenskreis-halle.de)) under "Friedensdienste" > "Being a volunteer in Halle":

(<http://www.friedenskreis-halle.de/arbeitsbereiche/friedensdienste/volunteerinhalle.html>).

*Please be aware: Both, profiles and information booklet, are actually in revision. We aim for new versions in january/february 2018.*

## Who may apply?

Next to some general criteria, to be found below, there are specific criteria for each poa, to be found in the profiles.

### General profile volunteers

- 18 to 28 years (exceptions can be made, when reasonable)
- (high) school graduation or comparable personal suitability
- basic knowledge of English and willingness to learn German starting in home country
- motivation: voluntary service as an opportunity to learn in different fields and to get involved with (civil) society (voluntary service as learning and peace service)
- openness to the special structure of a voluntary service with Friedenskreis Halle, that is: willingness (a) to participate in the accompanying educational program, (b) to develop and implement one or more small project(s), (c) to get occupied with and engaged in topics and activities of (local) civil society and (d) to learn German in depth. (we call these activities „service related activities“ and we expect them next to the work in the poa)
- interest in global relationships and peace politics as well as education on these topics
- preferable already dedication in civil society in the home country, willingness to get involved in civil society in the home country after returning

## How to apply?

Please get in contact with the sending organisation most near to where you live (but of your country). You can find the sending organisations we are cooperating with on our Homepage ([www.friedenskreis-halle.de](http://www.friedenskreis-halle.de)) under “Friedensdienste” > “Being a volunteer in Halle”: (<http://www.friedenskreis-halle.de/arbeitsbereiche/friedensdienste/volunteerinhalle.html>).

Send the sending organisation an application until the announced application deadline.

The application should at least consist of

1. introduction: contact details, including full address and skype
2. CV (also listing your voluntary engagements so far and showing something of your social background)
3. motivation letter including your favorite places of assignments (max. 3) (1 to 2 A4 pages)
4. the application form of Friedenskreis Halle e.V. (on our Homepage ([www.friedenskreis-halle.de](http://www.friedenskreis-halle.de)) under “Friedensdienste” > “Being a volunteer in Halle”: (<http://www.friedenskreis-halle.de/arbeitsbereiche/friedensdienste/volunteerinhalle.html>)).

*Please be aware: There might be additional requirements of the sending organisation. Ask them!*

In the motivation letter, please address especially the following questions:

- What does volunteering mean to you? Why do you want to volunteer (instead of working, doing a trainee-ship etc.)?
- Why do you want to volunteer in that specific place of assignment? What do you expect from volunteering in such kind of poa (instead of another poa)?
- Why do you want to volunteer in Germany/Halle? What do you expect from volunteering here (instead of another city or another country)?
- What does it mean to you to volunteer with the organisation "Friedenskreis Halle"?

The sending organisations have the main responsibility for selection of suited volunteers. After their selection they propose to Friedenskreis Halle candidates for final approval and matching. This will take place by Skype mid January till mid February 2018 in cooperation with the poas in Halle.

**We are looking forward for your application!**