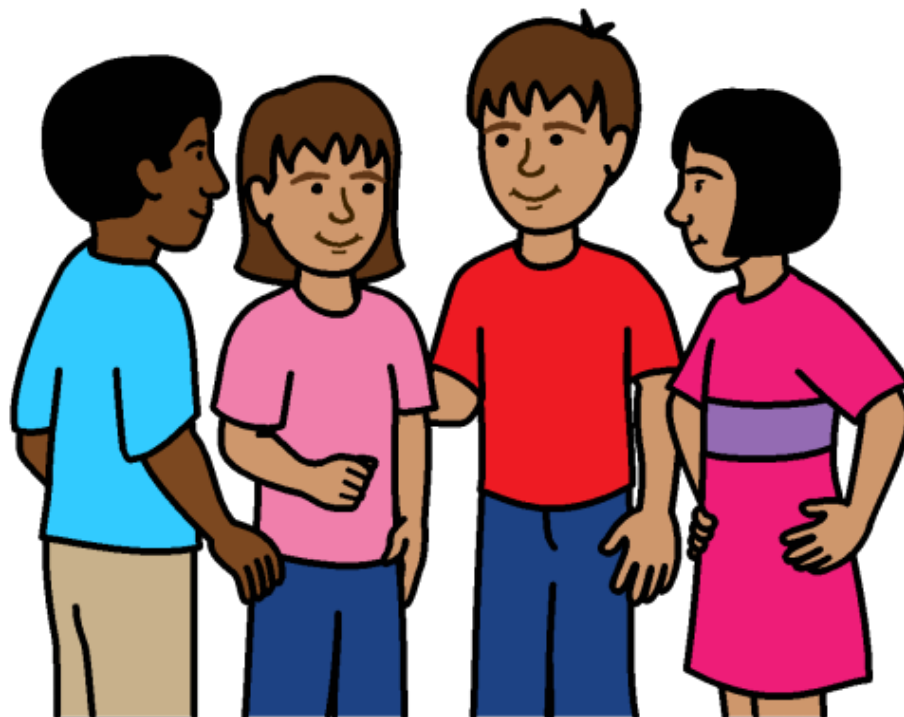


Apply for the Community Youth Fellowships 2018

Part 1

About the Community Youth Fellowships

Projects to help young Roma LGBTQIA people get the healthcare they need





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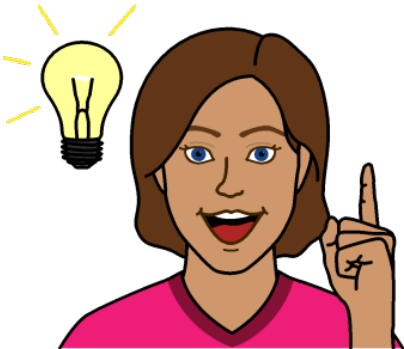


This booklet tells you about the Community Youth Fellowships.

There is another booklet to read after this called **Part 2 How to apply and what happens next.**



The Community Youth Fellowships helps young people do exciting projects that make the world a better place.



A project is an idea you have about how to make your community better.



If you have a project you want to do you can apply to us.

This means you can ask us for money for your project.

About the Community Youth Fellowships

Who can apply for project money?



Young people aged 18 to 30 can apply.

You must have a project you want to do.



It does not matter if you have not done a project before.



But you must want to:

- learn new skills
- do important work to change things in your community and make it better

What projects do we give money for?



We will give money for projects about young **Roma people**.

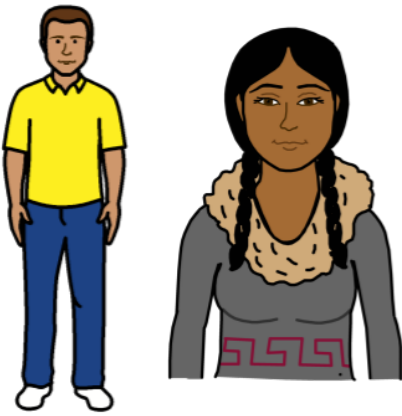
Roma people are a community in Europe.



Your project will be about young **Roma people who are LGBTQIA**.

LGBTQIA stands for:

- **Lesbian**. This means women who are attracted to other women.
- **Gay**. This means men who are attracted to other men. Or women who are attracted to other women.
- **Bisexual**. This means people who are attracted to more than one gender. Gender is about whether you are a man, a woman or someone else.



- **Transgender.** This means people who are a different gender to the one people say they are.

For example, someone may be told they are a man. But they consider themselves a woman or someone other than a man.



- **Queer.** Some people may be more than one gender. Or they may have no gender or something else.

Or they may have their own ideas about who they like or want relationships with.



- **Intersex.** Intersex people have bodies that may be different to what people think a man or woman should be like.

For example, their private parts may look a bit different to what people think a man or woman should look like.

- **Asexual.** This means people who do not feel attracted to people in a sexual way or want a sexual relationship. They may want other kinds of relationships.



Your project will help these young Roma people get the **healthcare** they need.



Roma people are often treated badly and do not get their rights.

For example, they often do not get the healthcare they need.

And they are often ignored or left out.

Where should your project take place?

Your project should take place in one of these countries:

- Czech Republic
- Slovakia
- Hungary
- Romania
- Macedonia
- Serbia



What should your project do?



Your project should try to solve a problem with healthcare for young Roma people who are LGBTQIA.

This means lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex or asexual.



This could be any problem to do with healthcare.

For example, these young Roma people may find it hard to:



- get the healthcare they need
- get the right healthcare for things like sex, relationships and having children



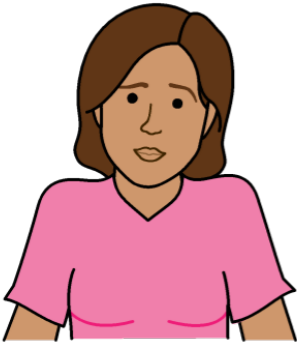
- get the right support if they have a disability



There could be other problems for these young Roma people when they get healthcare.

For example:

- people may treat them unfairly or say bad things about them
- doctors and nurses may not ask these young Roma people what healthcare they want or need



Other things about your project

How you can do your project

You can do your project in lots of ways.

For example you can:

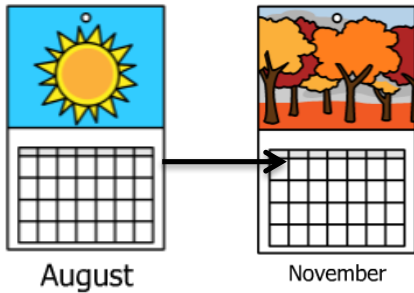
- join with other people where you live so you can change things together
- teach people in your area things and give them information



How long can projects last for?

The projects can last for 1 year or a year and a half.

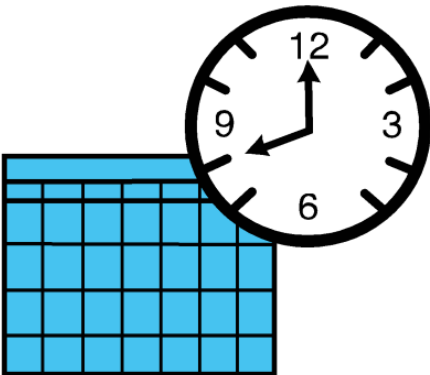
Projects can start between August and November 2018.



You can work on your project **full time**.

This means for most of the week.

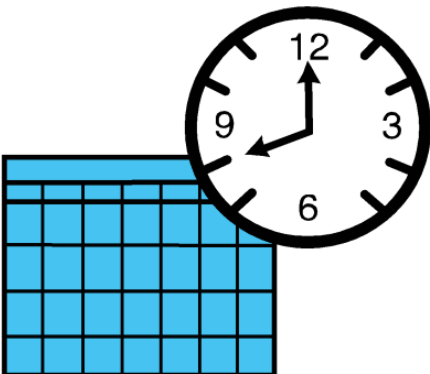
For 35 hours a week or more.



Or you can work on your project **part time**.

This means for some of the week.

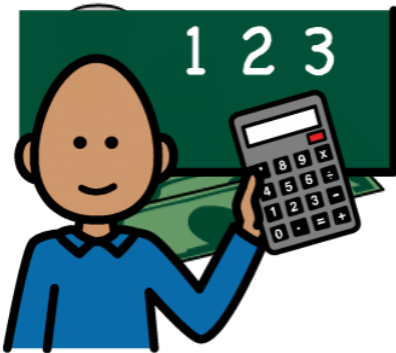
For 20 hours a week or more.



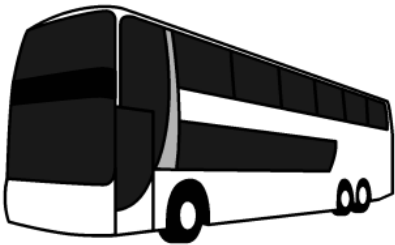


How much money do we give?

The money we give is only for you to help you with your project.



If your project is part time we will look at how many hours you will spend on it and work out the right amount of money.



We can also give you money for other things to help with your project like:

- travel
- support with your project
- health insurance
- meetings



Help with your project



Finding an organization to help

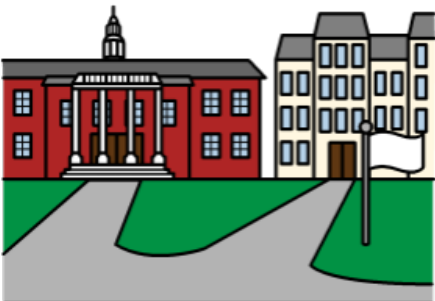
It is a good idea to have an organization to help you with the project.

This is called a **host organization**.

The organization you could work with

There are lots of organizations you could work with, like:

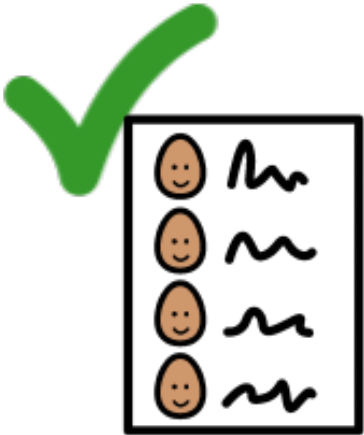
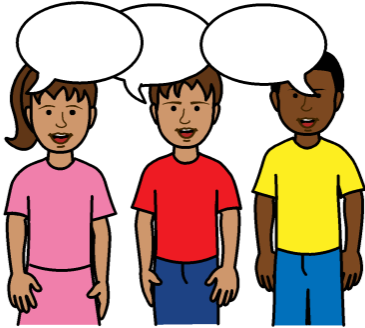
- groups in your local area that support people's rights
- universities or places where people study and find out things
- organizations that work with the government





The organization should help you with things like:

- a space for you to work in
- computers to work with
- meeting people who can give you ideas and advice about your project



The organization may also support you with your project in other ways.

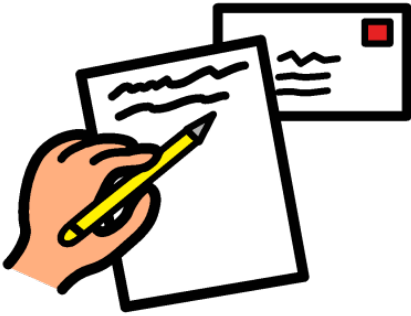
If you work with a host organization



You have to choose how to work with the organization.

For example, you can plan your project with them.

Or you can plan it on your own first.



We may ask you for more information about this organization later on.

We may ask the organization for a letter to agree how we will work together.



You can change the organization you work with. Or you can do the project without them.

But you have to ask us first.

A person to help



It is a good idea to find someone to help and support you for the whole project.

This could be a person from the host organization you work with on the project. Or someone else.

It could be more than one person.



It is good if this person knows a lot about your project and wants to help you make it happen.

This person can:

- give you advice
- support you with the project and the things you want to learn



Can you apply?

Here is a list to help you know.

You can apply if:

You are 18 to 30 years old.

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You live in the Czech Republic,
Slovakia, Hungary, Romania
Macedonia or Serbia.

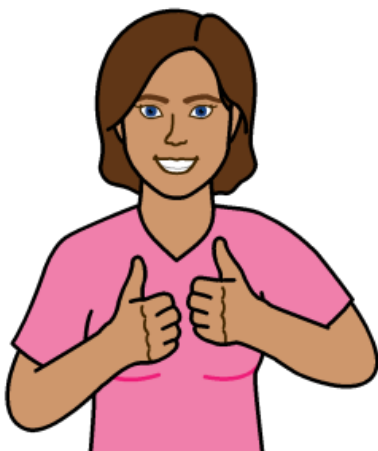
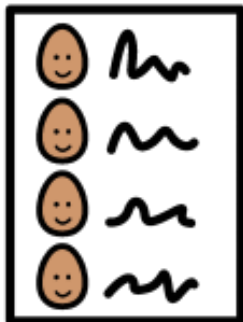
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And your project will happen there

Your project is about the things
we talk about from pages 5 to 9.

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You can do the things in the project
with support if you need it.

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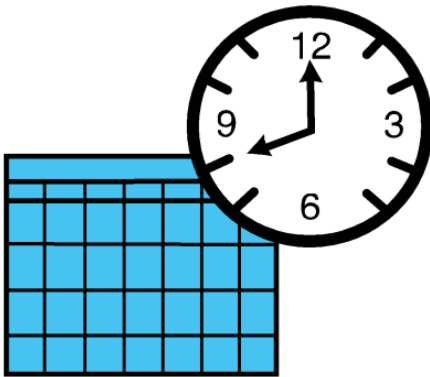


You want to do the work.
You really want to change things.

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You can apply if:

You want to learn new skills
and learn about how to change things
in the world

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You can spend 1 year
or a year and a half on the project.

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You are **not** studying full time
or working full time in a job.

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Full time usually means
Monday through Friday.



It is good if:

- you know a lot about the people your project is helping
- or you know a lot about the problem that your project is working on
- you have not done work like this before. But you want to learn



We do not give money for:

- helping you go to college or university to study



- projects where you try to get the government to change something



For more information

Please also read the booklet called:
Part 2. How to apply and what happens next.



For more information you can email:
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