





Refugees in Europe: Raising Awareness and Promoting Integration Apply for Small Funds (up to 7.500 EUR)

Who we are

`Churches helping Churches` is an independent program line which is implemented by Bread for the World – Protestant Development Service. It is a program of German Protestant churches to support Christian churches and their institutions across the globe. Apart from pastoral work, the program supports different social-diaconal activities reflecting practiced faith and charity.

When the number of refugees coming to Europe via the so-called Balkan route started increasing significantly in 2015, `Churches helping Churches` put a special thematic focus on the support of churches and faith based organization in Europe in their work with refugees.

What we offer

`Churches helping Churches` has been supporting EYCE and its campaigns for several years. In the framework of EYCE's campaign on Migration and European Identity and Values #WeAreEurope!, `Churches helping Churches` offers EYCE member organization and related churches the possibility to set up own projects dealing with the current situation of refugees and other migrants in their countries.

Priority will be given to applications from the following countries: Albania, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Croatia, Estonia, FYRoM, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Kosovo, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Turkey, Ukraine.

The program offers funding of up to 7,500 EUR for small projects with a duration not exceeding one year.

Project areas eligible for funding may include:

- Assisting migrants and refugees in the community, e.g. by offering language classes or accompanying them to local authorities
- Supporting integration by organizing cultural/social/sports activities (theatre, music etc.) that bring together people with and without experiences of displacement
- Promoting contacts and dialogue between locals and newcomers, Christians and Muslims, local Christians and Christian migrants/refugees by organizing joint encounters, excursions, worship
- Raising awareness in the parish or the local community on the situation of migrants and refugees to counteract prejudices and discrimination

To the members of the Ecumenical Youth Council in Europe (EYCE)

Promoting open dialogue on the topic of migration in church and society by organizing conferences or discussions

Public relations work and publications

Equipment and facilities for related activities and social service

While projects should constitute a practical expression of Christian faith, they should not aim at the conversion of people of different faiths, but rather encourage inter-faith dialogue based on mutual acceptance and respect.

What we need from you

If you are interested to receive funding for your project idea, please send us an informal application that includes:

- Some details about your organization / church,
- A brief description of the situation you want to address in the project,
- The result you want to achieve with the project,
- An outline of the measures that are planned to achieve the desired result,
- The planned timeframe of the project
- An income and expenditure budget, mentioning the amount of funding applied for as well as other sources of funding (if applicable),
- A written recommendation from EYCE or a local church.

Please note: Retrospective financing of ongoing or completed projects is not possible. Personnel cost and construction works will usually not be funded. A report must be submitted within three months after project completion. The informal report should include details on the project results and finances.

Overview - small project funding

Up to 7,500 EUR per project

Maximum duration: 12 months

Funding can be used for seminars, conferences, publications, short-term initiatives etc.

A written recommendation from EYCE or a local church is needed

Construction projects and personnel cost cannot be funded

Funding cannot be awarded to projects that have already started or been completed.

A report must be submitted within three months after project completion

How to apply

Applications can be made informally at any time.

Please contact/ send your request to the EYCE Campaign Team: weareeuropecampaign@eyce.org

Information on the Donor

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