

Summer camp at Keffiyeh Center: volunteer with us and discover Palestine!

From the 3rd to the 12th of August 2018, Keffiyeh Center invites you to participate in its summer camp in New Askar. It is a great opportunity to discover Palestine while organizing activities for children with our volunteers.

Keffiyeh Center is a non-for-profit association working with children and teenagers in New Askar refugee camp. Established in 1964, the camp is located near Nablus, in the northern part of the West Bank, and contains approximately 7.000 inhabitants.

Come and share intense moments with us, in Palestine!

About the Association:

Set up in 2012, Keffiyeh Center is a social association. It provides specific programs and extracurricular activities for children and teenagers, while encouraging healthy development and civic participation.

The center will maintain its primary focus on engaging participants in community service and voluntary action, in addition to offering cultural activities that encourage the proper understanding, revival and preservation of Palestinian heritage.

To know more about Keffiyeh Center, visit our website:

<http://keffiyehcenter.wordpress.com/>

Summer Camp program:

Keffiyeh Center and all the volunteers are happy to welcome you to its summer camp from the

3rd to the 12th of August. The first day of the program will be reserved for introducing the activities and the schedule of the summer camp. The last day of program will be reserved for reflections by the volunteers. The program includes several activities with youth and children, day trips around Nablus as well as evenings with local families.

Activities with children (6 to 13 years old):

- Sports: boxing, football, volleyball and karate
- Art workshops
- Practicing dance, especially dabka (the Palestinian traditional dance)
- Treasure hunting in the camp
- Theatre
- Clown show



- Singing
- Trips to historical and cultural sites for the kids to enjoy

International volunteers will have the opportunity to develop their own activities and projects. Past volunteers have engaged in the kids in activities such as art, music, and classes in English, French, etc.

Discovering Palestine :

- The first day of the program, volunteers will be given a tour of New Askar Camp along with an introduction to the summer camp, the schedule and the proposed activities.
- Volunteers will also be given a tour of the old city of Nablus, a neighborhood filled with cultural and historical treasures. The tour will also include a picnic on the mountain.
- For those volunteers who plan to arrive a few days before or leave a few days after the summer camp, trips can be arranged to visit various cities around Palestine (e.g. Bethlehem, Ramallah, Tulkarem, etc.). The Keffiyeh Center can also provide local volunteers to accompany you on the trips should you desire. The costs for trips throughout the West Bank (and for the local volunteer guides) are not included in the overall costs, and must be covered by each volunteer themselves.

The Palestinian experience: several activities will be organized for international volunteers, such as discussions with martyrs' families, prisoners' families and former political prisoners. Movie nights followed by debates and game nights will be arranged too. Moreover, we would be happy if you could present your home country during our international evenings. It is the opportunity to share our stories and get to know each other.

Accommodations and Daily Life: accommodations will be in the camp. Summer camp volunteers will have the option of staying in the Keffiyeh Center guest house or in the home of a family in the camp (depending upon availability and time) . This allows volunteers to be within a few minutes walk to the Keffiyeh Center while experiencing life in the camp.

Costs: the cost per person will be around 1100 ILS/250€/305\$. This amount includes the volunteer's accommodations, supplies for art and other activities during the summer camp, and the budgetary support needed to run the summer camp.

It will be up to the volunteers to cover the costs of daily meals. The estimated daily costs for meals, snacks, etc. should be around 10€ per day. There are plenty of restaurants near the Keffiyeh Center where you can taste delicious Palestinian food as well small shops for various snacks.

If you want to join us or if you have any further question, please contact us!



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