



Psychosocial Programs for Adolescents and Young Adults

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Adolescents growing up in conflict are also adolescents growing up away from home

Our advice to you

According to our experience with **unaccompanied minors in Switzerland**, we would like to give you some final advices:

“First learn the language, then go to school.”

“Accept the cohabitation with other people coming from different cultures.”

“Accept the advice of the educators.”

“Try to have good relations to live well with other people.”

“Say hello before speaking to someone and say thank you.”

“Join the social and cultural activities in the canton.”

“Be patient and always keep on the right track.”

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I CAN DO
Express yourself and give the best of you...



Are you creative? Do you have a will or a skill? Would you like to put your skill at the service of your community?



If you have ideas (painting, music, arts, theatre, social activities, etc...) for the community or a specific target group, based on your creative skills, that you would like to be implemented in DARI Recreation and Counseling Center for Families-Balbeck. Let's collaborate to make it happen.



Conditions of Participation:

- 1-Write down your detailed idea or activity on a printed A4 paper with all the details.
- 2-Write down the materials on a printed A4 paper you need to accomplish your project.

Activity proposals are to be sent to DARI Recreation and Counseling Center for Families or IOM at the following numbers: 01-752100 or 00-370456.
First day to send in proposals January 17 2008
Second day to send in proposals February 20 2008



- separation and clarity between what is
- community generated
- offered to solve specific problems
- specialized support activities
- community engagement/volunteerism

- multidimensionality/multi-generations



always possible?









key lessons learned

- Engagement/agency not only participation
- Youth as actor not subject of intervention.
- Importance of respecting not only “the” culture, but subcultures.
- multidimensional centers with a space for anyone, age-gender-subculture.
- real volunteerism and the capacity to differentiate professional paths and social capital investments, especially in youth, otherwise we transform community capital in unsustainable paid labour, de-potentiating communities and professionalism