

Voluntary Social Year / Youth Voluntary Service

If you would like to complete a voluntary social year in Bremen, you must obtain information from the approved FSJ providers of the Landesarbeitsgemeinschaft (LAG) der Freiwilligendienste. The Senate Department "Youth" is responsible for supervision, but does not arrange specific places for you.

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Basic information

The youth volunteer services in Bremen are coordinated by the FSJ providers of the LAG of Volunteer Services. This is an educational year for young people, which usually begins in August or September and lasts a minimum of 6 and a maximum of 18 months.

As part of the voluntary service, the law stipulates

- an appropriate monthly allowance,
- possibly accommodation and/or meals (or a lump sum for material costs),
- the payment of social security contributions,
- a vacation entitlement (at least 26 days for a 12-month assignment),
- a qualified certificate,
- Advice and support from the organization and assignment location,
- free participation in seminars (at least 25 days for a 12-month placement)

Requirements

The voluntary services are aimed at people who

- have completed compulsory full-time schooling but have not yet reached the age of 27
- would like to gain an insight into social, societal, (inter)cultural and sporting fields of work
- are looking for professional orientation and would like to get to know a professional field
- want to improve their entry requirements for working life
- would like to work predominantly in a practical capacity.

Procedure

Interested parties can find out more on the pages of the FSJ organizations. An up-to-date list can be found on the linked websites. There is also information for those who would like to do the Voluntary Social Year abroad. The list of sponsors, which is continuously updated by the specialist department, can be found at www.jugendinfo.de.

Legal bases

- [§ 3 Jugendfreiwilligendienstegesetz \(JFDG\)](#)
- [§ 1 Jugendfreiwilligendienstegesetz \(JFDG\)](#)

More information

The Senator for Social Affairs, Children, Youth and Women provides recommendations for the approval of FSJ sponsors in Germany and abroad on its website.