

new ideas for

Youth Centre Aid Association - YACA

Youth Aid Centre Association is a non-governmental and non-profit organisation uniting professional and voluntary work in the field of human rights and for personal and social development of children and young people.

Through social work, youth work and playwork we are dealing with problems that concern children and young people: at school or studying, in relationship with others, poverty and social exclusion, unemployment, drug abuse, violence... through programmes: Counselling, Adventure playground, Training of social skills, Workshops, Voluntary work, International youth exchanges, European voluntary service (EVS), International training courses, Community work.

Because of needs and a lack of similar projects in NE part of Slovenia in year 2001 we established branch office in Maribor.

We are proud to initiate and develop, for Slovenia new approach in the field of working with children, young people and local communities focused on playwork. Since 2004 we have organized over 200 play sessions in local communities around Slovenia, especially in socialy, economicaly, geographicaly deprived areas and where play options for children and young people are limited. In Maribor in 2010 we opened first adventure playground in Slovenia.

Youth Centre Aid Association in Cultural Center Pekarna

What are we gaining

spaces for office and councelling work, for preparation, implementation and evaluation of the local, national and international programmes with children, young people and volunteers

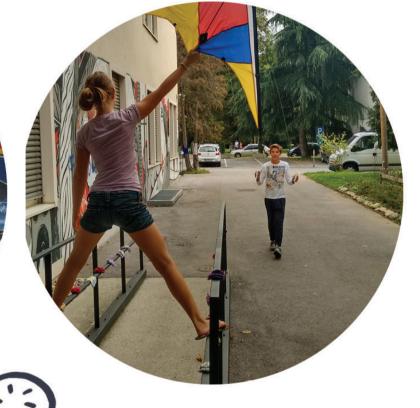
sharing and using neighbour organisations infrastructure, technical accessories, spaces for activities, youth hostel capacities

supportive, playful and creative environment for our children, young people, volunteers and EVS volunteers participating in local, national and international programmes

networking, cooperation, social capital

presence of similar organisations for mutual support and sharing important informations associated with our work







promotion and presentation of Pekarna on local, national and international level

de-stigmatization of Pekarna through constructive participation of children, young people, parents, volunteers and significant others in our programmes

vivid, playful, intercultural and intergenerational atmosphere

prize winning programmes of our association in the field of youth work, playwork and voluntary work























