



Exchange year in Berlin?!

How and why?

You are invited to spend 10 months living and engaged in [volunteer service](#) in Berlin, the capital of Germany! Explore what it means to be actively engaged in the world, develop a sense of living out faith in action, learn more about self and community, and what it means to be a faithful global citizen.

When?

Begin: beginning of September 2026

End: end of June 2027

What will I do?

Two volunteer service positions are offered:

- Working in a parish with children and youths
- Working in a diaconal institution for people with disabilities

What will I get?

- Accommodation
- Pocket money
- Transport
- Language course
- Seminars and support
- Insurance

Count on new experiences, making new international friends and learn about the German culture!



Practical information



Volunteer is responsible for:

- Visa costs to be determined (assistance may be provided)
- Basic health insurance costs (valid within Germany and the EU): 38 euros per month
- Travel costs beyond \$1,000 USD

Program is responsible for:

- Housing will be organized in Berlin through Berliner Missionswerk
- Flights to and from Berlin reimbursed up to \$1,000 USD
- Volunteer service related travel will be covered
- Provides seminar program
- An intensive language course is included
- Pocket money and board
- Transit ticket within Berlin and surrounding region

Application deadline: April 1st, 2026. After this date applications will be considered based on availability

Please send application materials by email to Destini.Hodges@pcusa.org

Do I have to speak German?
No! Basic knowledge of the German language is a great advantage, but not necessarily required as the volunteer service begins with an intensive language course.

Berlin!

In the heart of Europe lies Berlin, the colorful and lively capital of Germany. With 3.7 million inhabitants, it is the largest city in the region. Berlin has often been the scene of world history – industrialization, revolution, National Socialism, German division and reunification. The traces of history can still be discovered in countless places in the city. But time has not stood still: today Berlin is a center of creativity, a city of contradictions and tensions, a place where people of different languages, religions and nationalities live together.

