



Lions Clubs International

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Dear Fellow Lions

Lions Youth Camp and Exchange Program

In recent years, since COVID-19 and lock down, this yearly program has been severely curtailed. Please help us to rebuild it. Let's give the youth of MD105 the amazing opportunity 'to create and foster a spirit of understanding amongst the peoples of the world'.

Do you know a young person aged between 16-22 who would benefit from an exchange trip in the summer of 2025? A family member, a Leo, a member of a school or youth group in your community.

The scheme enables a young person to attend a residential youth camp (usually 1-2 weeks) in a country of their choosing, and to experience life in that country by staying with a host family for a further 1-3 weeks. There are usually over 100 camps to choose from in up to 40 different countries. They do not need to speak a specific foreign language.

The scheme is dedicated to: -

- helping to improve international understanding, by learning about other countries and discovering their history and cultures.
- experiencing everyday life in that country, by living as a family member, with a host family and learning the basic language.
- empowering our youth to be excellent Ambassadors for the UK, their community, and the sponsoring Lions.

There is no cost to the sponsoring Lions Club, but the young person/family will be responsible for their passport, travel costs, visas, and health insurance. Accommodation costs, food etc. are usually provided by the Lions in the country they are visiting. Any camp fees are clearly identifiable in advance and if there is a fee, the young person/family will be expected to meet the cost.

To find out more about this exciting opportunity, to apply for an application form, or to volunteer to host: please contact your District Youth Exchange Officer or PDG Doreen Allen, MD105 Youth Exchange Officer by telephoning: 07749 503757 or emailing: doreenallen@lionsclubsco.uk

Yours in Lionism

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