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# Voluntary work Silent heroes of every-day life

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# Voluntary work and honorary office Participation rate in Vienna

- Voluntary work is very widespread in Vienna
- Voluntary commitment is an issue concerning all groups of the population
- 52 % of the Viennese population (from the age of 15 years) engages in volunteer work!

Source: Institute for Empirical Social Studies, Voluntary Commitment, Population Survey 2016

### Voluntary work and honorary office Participation rate in Austria in comparison to the EU

- 23% committed Europeans
- 46 % committed Austrians

# The share of persons engaged in some kind of voluntary work in Austria is twice as high as the average in the EU

Source: Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, Austrian Integration Fund, Commitment for Austria, Voluntary Work and Honorary Office, 2015



# Areas of voluntary work

- 22 % in sports and exercise,
- 16 % in art, culture and leisure, as well as
- 14 % in disaster and rescue services

Source: Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs, Austrian Integration Fund, Commitment for Austria, Voluntary Work and Honorary Office, 2015

# The ways towards voluntary activities

- Two thirds via friends/acquaintances
- By providing more information, the potential of persons engaging in voluntary work could be exploitedeven more.
- Voluntary work = target group work

Source: Institute for Empirical Social Studies, Voluntary Commitment, Population Survey 2016



# Barriers to voluntary work and honorary activities

- 61% indicated that they had never been asked or requested before.
- 57% have not considered this option yet.
- Those mentioning family-related responsibilities as an obstacle were only in third place (54%).

Source: Institute for Empirical Social Studies, Voluntary Commitment, Population Survey 2016

### EUROPEAN CITIES 24.-25.10.2019 Vernetzt Helfen Conference "Freiwillig für Wien" ("Volunteer for Vienna"):



Europäisches Jahr der Freiwilligentätigkeit 2011

On the occasion of the European Year of Volunteering in 2011, the "Webtool Freiwillig für Wien" ("Webtool Volunteer for Vienna") was developed by order of the City of Vienna.

### EUROPEAN CITIES 24.-25.10.2019 Vernetzt Helfen Concept "Freiwillig für Wien" ("Volunteer for Vienna"):

- Originally, the idea was to create on own website.
- Instead, a common free tool for websites was created.
- The implementation of the tool is possible on all websites, with an individual design.

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- is a unique database for volunteers and organisations
- links organisations and potential volunteers in a network



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<u>Volunteers</u> can obtain information on the possibilities to engage personally in a very simple way!



<u>**Organisations</u>** profit from the network, as they can look for and find volunteers for job vacancies!</u>

# Organisations

- "Freiwillig für Wien" ("Volunteer for Vienna") is a free offer for organisations.
- Organisations profit from being able to look for and find volunteers for job vacancies.
- Service providers (non-profit organisations), but also institutions like the Vienna Association of Hospitals (KAV), etc. have the possibility to register.

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# Currently:

- more than 400 job offers online
- 280 users from organisations



- Get to know by mouse click where you are needed!
- Approximately 33.000 "job requests" (contact form) since 2011



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### Freiwillig für Wien

Freiwillig für Wien ist ein Netzwerk für alle, die sich für die Gesellschaft engagieren wollen. Geben Sie Ihre Kriterien ein und finden Sie eine Möglichkeit sich freiwillig, in verschiedenen Bereichen und Organisationen, zu betätigen. Sie werden gebraucht!

Suchen Sie hier mit den **unten stehenden Kriterien und Ihren zeitlichen Möglichkeiten** das für Sie passende Angebot oder lassen Sie sich <u>alle Angebote anzeigen</u>.

### Ich habe Zeit

#### Wochentag

Montag Dienstag Mittwoch Donnerstag Freitag Samstag Sonntag

#### Tageszeit

Früh	Vormittag	Mittag	Nachmittag	Abend	Nacht
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#### Zeitaufwand pro Woche



### Mein Interessensgebiet

Beratung	Katastrophenhilfe	Rettungsdienst
Besuchsdienst	Kinderbetreuung	Soziales
Bildung	Kultur	Sport
Büroarbeit	Lagerverwaltung	Tiere

Gemeinwesen	Lernhilfe	Umwelt	
Integration	Religion	Wissenschaft	
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# "Freiwillig für Wien" ("Volunteer for Vienna") -Success factors

- "Die Helfer Wiens" ("The Helpers of Vienna") are neutral
- The platform needs to be communicated
- "Freiwillig f
  ür Wien" ("Volunteer for Vienna") is available
   24 hours a day
- Direct contact to the organisations
- Variety of offers



## "Freiwillig für Wien" ("Volunteer for Vienna") possible failure factors

- Not every organisation uses the tool, since offers by other organisations is also visible (competitive thinking).
- Poor support of job offers by the respective organisations (up-to-dateness, incorrect entries, establishment of contact)
- Technical obstacles (Internet) in case of elderly persons (extensive explanation required)



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# Thank you for listening.

# Vielen Dank für Ihre Aufmerksamkeit!

