Leisure Groups

ORGANIZATION* ACATHI

COUNTRY AND CITY/IES

Spain, Barcelona

FIELD OF WORK

Social inclusion, migrants, LGTBIQ, mutual knowledge, intercultural dialogue, cultural diversity, sexual diversity

THE ACTION IS ADDRESSED TO (BENEFICIARIES)

General public, ACATHI users, and LGTBIQ people.

DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTIVITY

The activity is carried out at the premises of ACATHI in Barcelona. The activity is aimed at ACATHI users, its family, friends, people from the neighbourhood, etc. It is a non-directed activity where people can share time together and have fun. The activity attendants contribute food, drinks (non-alcoholic), etc., to the groups. The activity also takes into consideration diversity in terms of food.

MAIN GOALS

Most of the spaces aimed at migrant or refugee people and locals have educative content and are developed in educative contexts. Leisure groups aim to be an alternative activity to these more "formal" activities by focusing on leisure and on having fun. Leisure groups allow refugees and migrants (including ACATHI users) to mingle in an informal way with locals in a context where diversity is respect. Therefore, leisure becomes an extraordinary strategy for social inclusion.

IMPACTS OF THE ACTIVITY

The activity has become a safe space for mutual understanding, sharing experiences and needs, having LGTBIQ's positive role models (there were people without these role models), and having fun in a context of cultural and sexual diversity. With this activity, there has been a positive impact from the relational point of view.

SUSTAINABILITY (ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND INSTITUTIONAL SUSTAINABILITY)

The activity is sustainable due to the fact it doesn't require any economic investment.

TRANSFERABILITY

It is easily transferable