



MEDICAL VOLUNTEERS  
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## **We are looking for two Coordinators for the MVI Serbia Project starting date preferable Mid-September 2023**

Location: Subotica /Serbia

Coordination Fee: 1000 EUR / Month + accommodation support

Period: 12 months

### **The Project and your Role**

The medical situation for People on the Move in Northern Serbia is dire. Although being a considerably young population of predominantly men between 15 and 40, the average well being is far below the health of a comparable sample group living within western countries. This is mostly due to harsh and unhygienic living conditions, reduced access to healthy nutrition, constant exposure to stress, racial discrimination and potentially traumatizing experiences, as well as the hardships of crossing the border itself including injuries from the border fence and exposure to excessive violence and torture by European border forces.

While living in northern Serbia the majority of PoM is forced to live in informal settlements outside of towns and villages with little to no access to running water, toilets, electricity, waste collection or sufficient protection from the elements. The lack of clean water to drink or to prepare food leads to an increased number of gastrointestinal infections and dehydration. There is reduced access to healthy food due to long walks to reach shops, racially motivated hindrance in accessing them and limited financial resources within the population. The outcome is a diet high on cheap carbohydrates and low on fiber, essential vitamins, minerals and trace elements, often leading to malnourishment, reduced immune system capabilities, chronic constipation and haemorrhoids, as well as kidney stones.

MVI supports people on the move outside of the official camps in northern Serbia. With mobile Teams we drive into the squats where people are staying. These can be abandoned houses, train stations or old factories. We drive out with two teams each day in the week and one team on the weekend.

In our Serbia project we have three main task areas. One is the medical coordination, the field and team coordination and the advocacy coordination. You can divide up the tasks that arise.

### **Your tasks include:**

#### **Medical Tasks:**

- Pharmacy order
- Donation list
- oversight of medical treatment and standard practices.



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### **Advocacy Tasks:**

- Reports
- Meetings:
- Tracking – int. police and evictions
- Journalists – general comms

### **Field Coordination Tasks:**

- Cash book and bill control
- Onboarding new volunteers
- New volunteers (whitecards)
- Social media
- Patient phone and contacts
- Patient continuity
- reports and tracking
- General field updates

### **Experience:**

The applicant needs to have **at least 2 years of experience** in working in social or mental health sector. Other required qualities include:

- Driver licence
- Excellent English
- Excellent organisation and communication skills
- Knowledge of handling Google drive, Excel and Word
- Open minded and understanding of different cultures and beliefs
- Flexible, responsible and responsive
- We require a minimum stay of 12 month

Not required, but preferred qualities include:

- Medical knowledge /Medical professional
- Knowledge of languages: Farsi, Arabic and/or French
- up-to-date knowledge of European migration policies affecting the EU's external borders.
- Previous experience in the humanitarian aid field and/or work with refugees

Please send your application to: [crewing@medical-volunteers.org](mailto:crewing@medical-volunteers.org)