

Volunteering in France

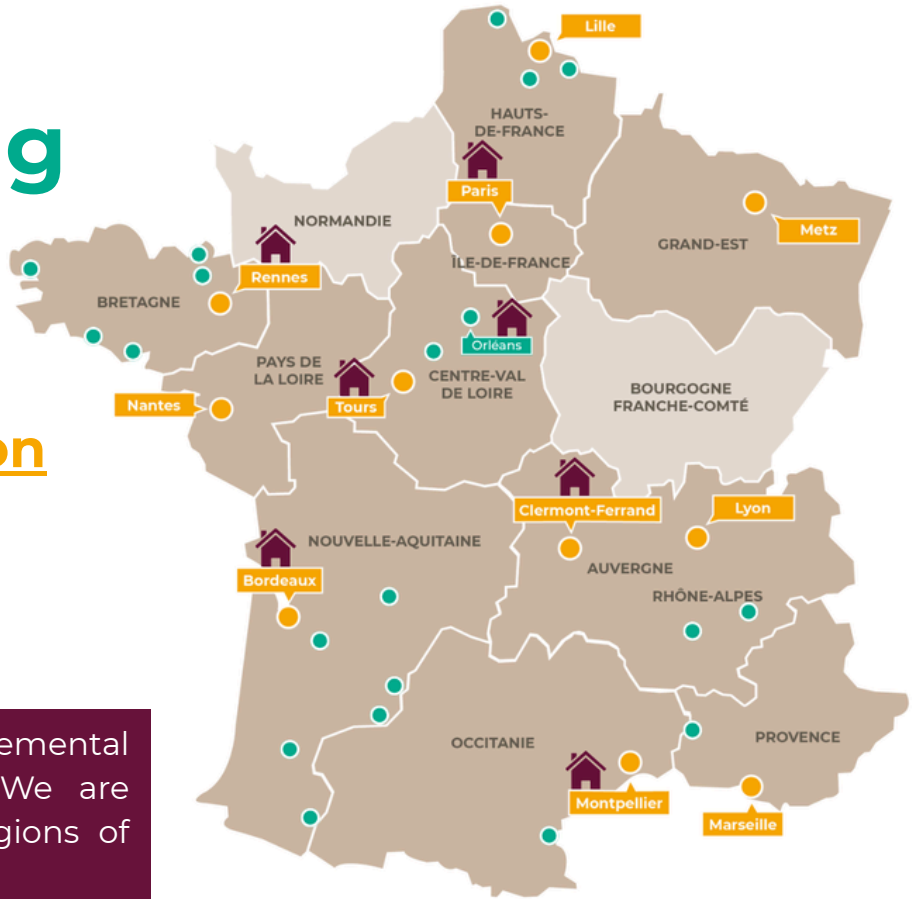
General presentation

Who are we?

We are a french Non-Governmental Organisation founded in 1957. We are around 400 employees in 16 regions of metropolitan and overseas France.

We support people to **renovate** their **homes**, especially low-income inhabitants in unworthy living conditions.

We also encourage inhabitants' initiatives by supporting the **non-formal learning** in our neighborhood workshops and through our buses equipped in tools and DIY equipment.



Compagnons Bâisseurs intervention areas

- Regional headquarters
- Local establishments
- 🏠 Volunteers' houses

Our values

Compagnons Bâisseurs is based on:

- 1.prioritizing the persons, their dignity and integrity;
- 2.the right for everyone to have decent housing;
- 3.the recognition of each person's capacities.

We favor the role of actor rather than beneficiary by actively involving the residents in manual work.

Diversity is at the center of our project and we aim to promote cultural understanding and social openness.



Volunteering project

In each big city, there are 2 to 5 international volunteers and some local ones, all fully integrated into our professional teams. Daily, they usually work on **small different projects** supported by paid technicians. The teams are often in close contact with locals from **difficult backgrounds**, navigating complex circumstances.

Renovation work

The volunteers support our teams and inhabitants to renovate homes. They learn from them, so prior experience is not required, but enjoying manual work, learning and social interactions is necessary!



Workshops

Our teams implement weekly workshops related to housing for the local community. The volunteers help organise them, reach out to people and, at some point, why not teach some helpful tips!

Selection criteria

Every person between 18 and 30 years old can work with us. ESC volunteers are chosen by their motivation, understanding of our values and the possibilities in terms of vacancies.

Conditions

Mentoring Each volunteer has a regional referent and a day-to-day tutor for the technical tasks. We never leave our volunteers without supervision.

Accommodation An individual room is provided in a house, apartment or residence.

Allowance ESC volunteers receive 600€ per month.

Transport Local and international transport is covered.

Training and meetings Volunteers have access to training sessions and can move within our network to meet other volunteers in France.



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