Greater Springfield Chapter CISV USA

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CISV educates and inspires for a more just and peaceful world.

Announcing Our Summer 2019 Programs! Apply by December 15th for programs in Asia, Europe, and South and North America

CISV of Greater Springfield is thrilled to announce our program invitations for 2019!

Please note that the dates below are tentative. Most programs require participants to be the age listed by the date of travel, with flexibility for some summer birthdays -- see our website (<u>www.cisvspringfield.org</u>) for specific birth date requirements.

Village (age 11): Aarhus, Denmark, 7/5 - 8/1 and Loerrach, Germany, 7/27 - 8/23 Youth Meeting (ages 12-13): Saskatoon, Canada, 7/22 - 8/5

Interchange (ages 13-14): Graz, Austria, July (exact dates to be determined)

Step Up 14 (age 14): Savoie, France, 7/12 - 8/3 **Step Up 15** (age 15): Quito, Ecuador, 7/19 - 8/10 **JC** (female, ages 16-17): Washington, D.C., 6/28 - 7/25 **Youth Meeting** (ages 16-18): Lueneburg, Germany, 4/13 - 4/20 and Baguio, Phillippines, 7/16 - 7/30 **Fortnight** (ages 16-18): Austin, Texas, this summer (dates to be determined)

Information on **Seminar Camp** (ages 17-18), as well as all application forms and additional program descriptions and details, can be found on our website. Applications are due **December 15, 2018**.

November Delegate Spotlight Aria Darabi

The Darabis of Florence, MA are a three-time Interchange family! Aria Darabi, 14, became hooked on CISV when her family hosted a delegate from



Fall Mini-Camp: Sign Up by November 24th!

CISV of Greater Springfield's Junior Branch is hosting a Fall Mini-Camp for kids ages 10 - 18 to come together and experience CISV! Mini-Camp activities will revolve around the four CISV themes of diversity, human rights, sustainable development, and conflict resolution. The Mini-Camp will take place in Charlton, MA on the weekend of November 30th -**December 2nd**. The cost is \$150/child and \$125 for each additional sibling. Registration forms are due November 24th and can be found on our website: www.cisvspringfield.org.

Upcoming Dates to Remember!

• November 24: Registration deadline for CISV of Greater Springfield's Fall Mini-Camp in Charlton, MA from November 30 -December 2.

• November 27: Donate to CISV of Greater

Denmark for two weeks during her older brother Kamran's Interchange in 2016. After that summer, Aria (pictured, 2nd from right, with delegates from Springfield and Poland) participated in two more Interchanges: with Lyon, France in 2017 and with Dabrow Gornicza, Poland last summer.

Aria enjoys meeting new people, learning about different cultures, and trying new foods (some great and some not so great!). She and her fellow Interchange delegates have faced initial challenges, such as language barriers, and ended up forming deep bonds and long-lasting friendships.

Aria loves CISV and what it stands for. "The people that you meet at the CISV programs are the best!" says Aria. "I love having friends from all over the world!"

Springfield as part of <u>#GivingTuesday</u>!

• **December 15**: Don't wait! Applications for Summer, 2019 programs are due!

• December 31: Last day for 2018 tax-deductible contributions to CISV of Greater Springfield! Look for our 2018 Annual Appeal letter and please <u>donate</u> to support our chapter!

Please visit our website at <u>http://www.cisvspringfield.org/</u> Donate to our Chapter at <u>CISV Springfield Donations</u>