





Volunteering as a Tool for Participation and Social Inclusion

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### **EU Youth Programme Priority:**

Inclusion and Diversity

#### Topic:

Youth Participation / Promoting Participation for All Youth Participation / Skills Development and Volunteering

#### Youth goals:

<u>Inclusive Societies</u>, <u>Mental Health & Wellbeing</u>, Space and Participation for All





Las Niñas del Tul, a dedicated NGO from Granada, Spain, has embarked on a transformative journey within the walls of a local prison. Through innovative participatory methodologies, they've crafted engaging activities that resonate with young inmates, from music sessions to Hogwarts-themed events. These initiatives offer a creative outlet while promoting teamwork, leadership and self-reflection.

## What is Participation for you?

"Participation is crucial. Without it, more youths end up in detention. Many young offenders I've encountered believe that earlier guidance or awareness of youth organisations might have altered their life trajectories, particularly those who started working at a young age."

#### Carmen María PROJECT COORDINATOR







# Wow!

This project is a remarkable example of positive change, showing that meaningful personal development is possible even within prison walls. It emphasises the importance of innovative engagement, opening doors to new experiences and a more hopeful future for young inmates. Thanks to this project, an idea emerged among the incarcerated young people to establish a youth association within the facility, similar to a 'youth council'.

Learn more about other amazing youth participation projects here: <a href="https://participationpool.eu/project/volunteering-as-a-tool-for-participation-and-social-inclusion/">https://participationpool.eu/project/volunteering-as-a-tool-for-participation-and-social-inclusion/</a>