

Interculturally and cross-generational village in Hitzacker

Arrive, settle down and feel at home

The project is interesting especially for those of you who have already decided to stay in the countryside with their families. We are planning to extend Hitzacker with a new settlement for German and foreign families and older people. Our website is:

www.zufluchtwendland.de/dorfprojekt/

I want to work where I live

We are planning a housing area with space for small trade and workshops in the neighbourhood. All houses will be built together with craftspeople and the prospective inhabitants. You will learn how to do it so you can share your new knowledge with others. It is even better if you have an education in the building trades. However, beginners will also be taught. If you have an idea for an independent business, there will be enough space for you to establish your own company. Capable German-speaking housemates can help where help is needed.

My vocational education isn't accepted in Germany- what can I do?

Together with the job center we are planning a qualification for applicants for asylum. Aside from that we want to help you with the recognition of your professions. We also want to organize German classes that accompany the trainings. If you prefer to work as an employee after the building phase we are happy to help you find a local company. In Hitzacker several factories are searching for employees.

I want to get to know my neighbours and establish a good relation

We appreciate a friendly and helpful neighbourhood as well. We all profit by supporting each other. In these days almost every family is widely scattered and we have to choose the people with whom we want to live together and raise a new family. There will be joint gardens and a community house that includes guestrooms. The area is car-free and save for our little ones.

Where are we living during the building phase?

From the beginning we will organize accommodations for those who need at the places of the German-speaking people which want to live in the village too. We plan to build the training center first and besides the production hall to start constructing the houses. There will be rooms in the center and if it is needed we can hire flats in Hitzacker for a while.

Whereof me and my family live during the construction period?

We are working on a promotion programme by the government for you to be independent during the building phase and will have enough money to live.

Who is owning this anyway?

The settlement will belong to all inhabitants and the rents for the apartments and business spaces will be affordable. By your collaborations during the building phase you acquire yourself a financial part of the settlement. If you want to move away in the future your amount of the project will be disbursed within one to one and a half years. You are not working for free anyway.

Can I bring my friends with me?

Yes, if they have applied for asylum or if they have a residence status.