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## Don Bosco mission launches two fundraising projects for WYD Lisbon 2023

**Lisbon, Portugal** - The Don Bosco Mission-Salesian Solidarity Fund of the Salesian Foundation, recently launched two fundraising projects to support the participation of pilgrims at the World Youth Day in Lisbon.

The projects presented aim to provide the young people in most need in the Salesian youth movement (SYM) and volunteers WYD DON BOSCO 23-Youth Movement organization Salesian responsible for the convocation and participation of young people from Salesians backgrounds from all over the world at WYD Lisbon 2023 - the opportunity to participate in WYD Lisbon 2023.

The first project aims to support 50 young people linked to the Salesian Youth Movement (SYM) Portugal, who are in a situation of social vulnerability, to participate, as pilgrims, in WYD, sharing this moment with young people from all over the world, in an experience of faith, Brotherhood, and personal encounter with Jesus Christ.

The second project aims to support WYD DON BOSCO 23 to enrol the Volunteers of its organization, as pilgrims, at the World Youth Day in Lisbon. WYD DON BOSCO 23 is preparing the arrival and logistics of the reception of the 7000 young expected. As such, about 400 volunteers are needed, who will give up their time and availability. As a gesture of recognition for the work developed and support given to the organization, WYD DON BOSCO 23 intends to enrol its volunteers, such as pilgrims at WYD Lisbon 2023, supporting part of the contribution requested from pilgrims registered, in an amount that can reach 26 thousand euros.

With these projects, the Don Bosco mission is committed to providing young people with the opportunity to participate in WYD Lisbon 2023, an experience of the universal Church, growth in faith, friendship, and service.

More information about the projects and ways to support them, at www.salesianos.pt/missaodombosco/campanhas-e-projetos.





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## **About the Don Bosco mission**

The Don Bosco mission-Salesian Solidarity Fund is the Salesian Foundation's fundraising platform for projects and actions that aim to create social responses for vulnerable children and young people and their families, in Portugal and in the rest of the world.

All donations made to the Don Bosco mission are used, in full, in the projects and purposes for which they were made, and collected and effectively benefit the children and young people for whom they are intended. The Salesian Foundation assumes all management costs with human, material, and operational resources.

## **About MJS**

The Salesian Youth Movement is a communion movement of various youth groups and associations integrated into the Youth Ministry of the Salesians. United by the educational and evangelizing proposal inspired by the spirit and style of St. John Bosco and St. Mary Domingas Mazzarello.

## **About WYD DON BOSCO 23**

WYD DON BOSCO 23 is the name of the Salesian Youth Movement organization responsible for the summoning and participation of young people from various Salesian environments around the world in WYD Lisbon 2023, living in accordance to the charism of Don Bosco. WYD DON BOSCO 23 wants to motivate young people to follow this path as a pilgrimage, which strengthens their faith and challenges others who are further away to get to know the Living Christ.

WYD DON BOSCO 23 arose from the combination of the acronym, in English, which refers to World Youth Day, as well as the word "with"; Don Bosco, as an aggregator of the Salesian family; and the date of the meeting.

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