

Step-by-Step Guide for Leaders

Working alongside a family trapped by poverty, to build them a new home.

This Guide will take you through all the tasks you need to complete in order to prepare yourself and your group for your Moldova trip.

Stage 1: Application Process

- **LAUNCH EVENT:** Arrange a launch event and invite all those who may be interested in being part of this trip. Go to <https://www.amoreurope.org/build> and download the flyer and PowerPoint presentation to use at your launch event.
- **GROUP REGISTRATION:** Go to the same website as above, click on the **Registration** button, and fill in the online **Group Registration Form**. We will then send you a web link to an **Application Form** for you to forward to each member of your group.
- **APPLY:** Each team member, including yourself, will need to fill in and submit the online **Application Form**. This will require uploading a **picture of the photo page of their passport** and paying a **non-returnable deposit of £150**.

Please ensure you have at least one adult leader (over the age of 18) for every five young people in your group. If you are bringing male and female young people, you will also need male and female leaders.

Note: the deadline for all applications is **31st October 2023**.

Stage 2: Preparing Your Group

Just Leader

- Ensure your young people and leaders have written the dates of the three Just Life weekends in their diaries. The dates of the Just Life weekends can be found on the flyer and on the **Notes** section of the website - <https://www.amoreurope.org/build>
- Make travel arrangements for these weekends.

Information Packs

Ensure each person in your group is given an **Info Pack**, including the following documents:

- **About Your Trip**
- **Fundraising Ideas**
- **Sponsor Forms**
- **Donation Slips**

Parents

Keep in touch with parents. We recommend that you contact the parents of each person in your group who is under the age of 18, to introduce yourself to them and to answer any questions they may have.

Finance

Please ensure that the following financial systems and processes have been put in place:

- Familiarise yourself with the **Money Matters** section in the **About Your Trip** document.
- Open a bank account. Alternatively, agree an existing account that will be used for money to be paid into from your group's fundraising.
- Ensure all money paid in is properly documented and accounted for.
- Once we have received your group registration form, Amor Europe will send you the bank details and reference number for you to make regular payments to Protected Trust Services, where the money will be held until it is needed to pay for flights, insurance, house materials etc. Please ensure these payments are regular (we suggest monthly) as there are number of costs we need to pay prior to the trip.
- Ensure your group meets the following payment deadlines:
 - end of October 2023 — £400
 - end of January 2024 — £750
 - end of March 2024 — £1,100
 - by the 6 July 2024 — £1,450

Please note, £1,450 is the estimated cost. The actual cost will be confirmed once the flights have been booked.

- When sending payments to Amor Europe please remember to:
 - Write the name of your group on the back of the cheque;
 - Update your spreadsheet and email it to us.
- Ensure all in your group understand how to use the **Sponsor Forms** and **Donation Slips**.

Fundraising

Establish a fundraising strategy. We recommend that you plan your fundraising strategy as a group, and agree what will be done individually and what will be done together.

Medical

- Ensure each person in your group books an appointment with their own doctor or travel clinic to discuss vaccine recommendations.
- Read through the medical sections of your group's **Application Forms** to ensure that you are aware of all medical issues in your group
- Check whether anyone in your group has a premedical condition. If so, to ensure they are covered by our trip insurance, please ensure the following is in place at time of travel:
 - They are safe & fit to travel
 - They have received a medical professional's confirmation that they are ok to travel
 - Their condition is well controlled

Please note that cover for anyone with a pre-existing condition under the policy arranged by Amor Europe is dependent on these details being in place. It is your responsibility to do this. Failure to make these arrangements exposes you or your group member to uninsured medical cost which could potentially be very expensive.

Travel

Put in place your transport arrangements to and from the departure airport. Please note, you are responsible for this element of the trip, and it is not covered by the trip fee.

Well done! — your group is now ready for their trip. Once you arrive at the airport all other practical arrangements (onward transport, accommodation, food, house building, and so on) will be arranged for you. This will allow you to focus on supporting and supervising your young people.

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