

# Recommendations for non local groups and volunteers coming to Gorizia and Pordenone

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## Attention

Volunteer groups from **Pordenone** told us, that momentarily there is no need and no use of in kind donations from abroad. This is because in Pordenone the Questura (police station) has closed, therefore no new arrivals of refugees in the Pordenone area.

For **Gorizia** the needs are listed below.

The question, whether the jungle population and/or residents of the officially organized accommodations are in a state of emergency which requires private help from abroad is controversial.

## General

If you consider to bring donations or to come as a volunteer, please definitely get in touch with the local volunteers first. If you send a message via Facebook Messenger to <https://www.facebook.com/stefan.vonortenburg> I will set up a chat room in Facebook with all the relevant people you should coordinate with.

Please do not just come without prior appointment. The situation is sensitive. The spots must not get crowded by too many people coming at the same time.

Please stick to the specific chat room as the main point of communication so that everybody involved has the chance to keep track of what has been arranged.

In general, please try not to occupy the local volunteers more than necessary. Of course you should coordinate as close and exact as possible, but please also consider that communication, as well as welcoming a growing number of external helpers, is a time consuming task and the volunteers on site are already very busy.

There is a continuous need of donations, however storing capacities are limited. So it is important that deliveries are scheduled into a time row. Also, the situation is volatile and fundamental changes might happen unexpectedly. That's why it's not reasonable to build up big stocks.

Be flexible! Please be always prepared for sudden changes.

## What's needed?

- warm clothes for men (jackets, jeans, t-shirts, jumpers, ... )  
sizes S+M, a few L, very few XL  
Please check sizes! XL is very seldom needed. XXL is useless.
- underwear for men sizes S+M, socks
- shoes for men (sizes from 39 to 46, but mainly 41 to 43)
- caps, scarfs, gloves for men
- small backpacks
- hygiene items for men

### ***A note regarding clothes and shoes***

The needy come from a civilized society and not from a slum or bitter poverty, and even then: They have their dignity, pride and a sense of aesthetics. This does not mean that they are ungrateful. They do not deserve to be offered things that we ourselves would be ashamed of wearing. Please consider this.

## Information we need from you

Please let us know, when you intend to come, with how many people and for how long you are planning to stay. If you are flexible enough, please add possible alternative dates for your stay.

What will be your load? Please specify items and amount. This is important for us in order to provide the necessary storage capacity and to assign the best location where to unload your things. Possibly your delivery could be split up into three different destinations, e.g. Gorizia, Pordenone and Udine according to different specific needs. In that case, we will return to you the information which items of your load should be brought to which location so when you are loading your vehicle you can already consider the split-up.

Please let us know, if you intend to do more activities on site during your stay, besides delivering your appreciated donations. For example there were groups organizing breakfast to the people in the galleria. Many things are thinkable, but as already pointed out, please ask the locals first if it's suitable and feasible.

## Police, customs etc.

It should be needless to remind everybody to carry a valid ID or passport as well as all necessary documents for vehicles etc. There are police checks on site.

Please also be prepared to run into a stop and search by police or other authorities, wherever. Even if you are moving within the EU there may be random custom checks. Be aware that, when looking at your car and your load, officials might get the impression, that this is either a commercial freight or could suspected be stolen goods. We recommend always to carry an exact cargo list combined with a letter that explains the origin and

destination of your transport and that points to the non-profit humanitarian nature of the undertaking. Best, this letter is issued by an officially registered charitable organisation or association.

## **Accomodation**

### **Camping**

There's a camping site in Slovenia. Umino stayed there for over one week in October 2017. It's a ten minute drive from Gorizia. You can stay with a camper van, camping trailer or tent. They also have bungalows for rent or funny Hobbit Holes.

<https://goo.gl/maps/TqoDXAS2T1v>

Address: Ozeljan 6, 5261 Šempas, Slovenia

[www.camplijak.com](http://www.camplijak.com) phone:+386 5 308 85 57

Officially they are open all-the-year. If you are going there in winter, we would recommend to call them first to be sure.

### **AirBNB**

This place in Slovenia is a 20 minute drive from Gorizia. Mobile Flüchtlingshilfe stayed there for a couple of days in October. Propbaly, the rooms are available only until November 2017

<https://www.airbnb.de/rooms/16949703>

It's in the mountains and maybe not easy to reach with a big van or even a trailer.

### **Villa Teuffenbach**

Schloss Teuffenbach, Località Piuma 30, Gorizia 34170 phone: +39 334 825 6196

Official price double room for two persons per night 79 €. However, Belinda and Imad got two double rooms, used each by one person, for 70 € together. So ask for the price!

<https://www.booking.com/hotel/it/villa-teuffenbach.de.html>

<http://villateuffenbach.wixsite.com/villateuffenbach>

## **Shopping**

### **Lidl in Gorizia**

<https://goo.gl/maps/QVND2TMbBWk>

Open Monday to Saturday from 08:00 to 21:00, Sunday from 08:30 bis 20:00.

## **McDonalds Nova Gorica**

<https://goo.gl/maps/phdQFAZzspn>

We used McD as temporary office with free WIFI.

## **OBI hardware store und shopping mall in Nova Gorica**

<https://goo.gl/maps/boysh3H4zWr>