APPLICATION FORM

LIBRARY DATA

Library name: Biblioteca Municipal de Chinchón "Petra Ramírez"
Address: C/ Los Huertos, 24, 28370 Chinchón
City: Chinchón
Country: Spain
Phone: 918935322
Webpage url: http://www.bibliotecaspublicas.es/chinchon/index.jsp
Contact 2.0: Facebook page, Blog’s url, etc.
http://bibliochinchon.blogspot.com/

Contact person: José Zumel Álvarez
Title: Librarian
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LIBRARY DESCRIPTION

Please, mark the characteristics of your library (mark all those appropriate):

- Metropolitan library
- Rural library
- Library service with branch libraries
- Mobile library
- Children and Young Adults Library
- Library with less than 1,000 inhabitants
- Library between 1,000 and 5,000 inhabitants
- Library between 5,000 and 10,000 inhabitants
- Library between 10,000 and 20,000 inhabitants
- Library between 20,000 and 30,000 inhabitants
Library between 30,000 and 100,000 inhabitants

Library between 100,000 and 200,000 inhabitants

Library between 200,000 and 500,000 inhabitants

Library with more than 500,000 inhabitants

MORE INFORMATION

Please, tell us a bit more about your library, pictures are also welcome:

**Short description:** Our Library is a nice library of almost 400 m2 located in a building built in 1990; but the life of the library dates back to 1954. The library is located near the main square of the city, famous for its beauty. Chinchón is a small town near to Madrid and one of the most tourist cities of the region. The library has too reading rooms: for children and adults, and an extensive collection of books for all the ages. Many people come to the library every day not only to read but to enjoy the activities that very often are organized. The library has all the services of a public library: loan, consultation room, Internet, local section, service of reproduction. And also has an old collection of books. Our library also has an enthusiastic Friends Association supporting library operations and provide resources for the organization of activities.

Our library, along with other smaller libraries is part of a working group to develop small and medium rural libraries. This group is called "Movement of Rural Libraries" We try to enhance the operations of libraries with few resources but with great enthusiasm to make libraries to work well.

**Current library programs:**

School Support Program
Support program for new immigrant neighbors (Spanish language classes and activities for integration)
Reading group for different age levels
Outreach programs to bring books to the Health Center and Nursing Homes
Creative Writing Workshops
Reading workshops in other languages (English)
Film at the library for different ages
Storytelling

Please tell us about the kind of activities you would be interested in doing with your sister library:

We are interested in exchanging experiences, materials, books, ideas, organizational systems, etc. It might be interesting to establish channels of communication between library users sisters, and even pose some kind of exchange and short visits of users or library staff. And of course make known the place where the library sits sister.

We would also like to know the literature and culture of the country or region of the sister library by a program to exchange experiences in this regard.

Languages your staff speaks:
English

Languages users speak/read:
English, french

Preferred countries for cooperation:
Ireland, Scotland, Finland
Please, tell us a bit about the features of the library that ideally you would like to cooperate with:

Chinchón is a town of 5800 inhabitants and would like a library located in a municipality with a similar population. I wish it were a library with an interest in working with other cultures.

**EUROPEAN UNION PROGRAMS**

Please, indicate if you are searching partners in other countries for any European Union project:

- YES ✗
- NO

If yes, for which projects?:

I am interested in the organization and operation of small libraries of small to medium sized municipalities with limited resources and collaborative programs of neighbors and users.
I am also interested in initiating programs to people with reading difficulties (immigrants, older people with little education or disabled)

Please, indicate if you are participating in any European Union program:

- YES
- NO ✗