

Bend:Belluno OREGON:ITALY

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The Summer Vacation That Lasts A Lifetime

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SUMMER EXCHANGE PROGRAM

The Bend-Belluno Sister City Committee working through Rotary International's Short Term Exchange Program (STEP) is offering a seven week cross-cultural exchange opportunity to students from Bend.

This program is open to high school students who have completed their junior year and would like to experience life as part of an Italian family in our sister city of Belluno. This is a reciprocal exchange - Bend students stay with a Belluno family for 3+ weeks and then would host with their family an Italian student from Belluno for 3+ weeks in Bend. If you want to experience the daily life in an Italian family and be part of our sister city of Belluno, then this program is for you.



SUMMER 2020 TIME FRAME

Belluno, Italy

During the third week of June students from Bend will fly together to Venice, Italy where they will be greeted and driven to their Italian home for the next three weeks. Expect some group activities and adventures to learn and experience living in Belluno plus hiking in the Dolomites.

Bend, Oregon

During the second week of July return home with the Bend team. Within the next few days your exchange brother/sister will arrive and will be hosted by you and your family, sharing Central Oregon for the next three weeks. Again expect some group activities and adventures with the entire Bend-Belluno youth team.

CONSIDERATIONS

You and your family, as hosts, will be matched with a compatible youth and family in Belluno, Italy. As host family, you will be responsible for housing, meals and some extras for your inbound youth, similar to what will be given to your student. The Bend-Belluno Sister City Committee and Rotary Districts 2060 and 5110 arrange the exchange opportunity, but not the funding.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Information and FAQ will be available at **bendbelluno.org**Contact Steve Lelli 541 280-1674 or Kit Carmeincke 541 480-8718

NEXT STEPS

Go to 2020 Youth Exchange on **bendbelluno.org** to review and learn more about program. From this site you'll be able to contact members of the youth Exchange Committee. Committee members will sit down with you and your parents to share more detailed information and discuss the online application, interview and selection process.

Make plans to learn basic conversational Italian.