

“Serene Summer 2009”

All the initiatives, devoted to old and disabled people that stay in town

During summertime, when towns empty and climatic conditions create more discomforts, **the need the most frail citizens have** of not being left alone resurfaces with more evidence.

In fact, summertime is a hard period **for lots of old people**, not only for hot.

When children and grandchildren go on holiday and quarters are empty, in fact, there are almost all **over 65** old people staying in hot towns, because often they can't go on holiday either for economic reasons or health. **Free time could become an empty time**, that could favour, in some people categories, **a gradual process of isolation** but above all there is the risk of **social exclusion**. This happens to people who live in seclusion, not for their choice, but for their social, economic and cultural condition. So, also this year, the **Social Politics Assessorship**, in collaboration with organizations, public and private bodies, sets **a dense program of animation and citizen tourism activities** in order to **fight** solitude and isolation.

All the initiatives, **devoted to old and disabled people that stay in town**, are **free** and have been projected in order to favour the rediscovery of the town and the surroundings but also to create meeting and aggregation opportunities. In addition to the animation programme, “Serene Summer” also aims **to support old people** in overcoming the little but hard commissions of everyday, through the actions of the Summer Ponies volunteers that will offer help and also thanks to **TIM sponsorship**, help at home and assistance.

Also for Summer 2009, so, a top priority objective of the municipal administration is **to answer to the needs of older**, disabled people and of all Neapolitan citizens that live uncomfortably.

The Summer Ponies

The “Summer Ponies” are **volunteers** who devote a part of their time to the older that have remained in town during summertime. The Ponies **help** older people in their **daily commissions**, such as the collection of salary or house expenses, but **they also give them psychological support** by phone.

In case of necessity, the Ponies call emergency assistance to help older in trouble.

How call the Summer Ponies

Also thanks to **Telecom Italia** Group sponsorship, the “Summer Ponies” are **available** for older and disabled people, every day from 08.00 a.m. to 08.00 p.m.. To ask for a “pony” **call** the freephone number **800 07 99 99** every day in the months of July and August.

Telephone helpline

It is a service of social telephony that **gives assistance** to people particularly frail by **giving suitable and timely answers** to emergencies. All people **over seventy years of age** can ask the **free activation** of the service for the months of July and August by phoning directly to the numbers of Consorzio Gesco Campania 0815627027 – 0815447273 – 0817953225.

Mobile Unit of Emergency Assistance

The Mobile Unit works on all the city area with skilled workers who answer to **emergencies and favour social integration** of people without a fixed residence through the **distribution** of covers, supplies, clothes, medicines and the activation of personalized projects of social inclusion for every user.

To activate the Mobile Unit call the number 3299513289.

Moreover at the Coordination Center of Via Pavia, 129 there is an **orientation counter** for people without a fixed residence that is active in all summer period from Monday to Friday from 10.30 a.m. To 12.30 p.m. And from 03.00 p.m. to 05.00 p.m. Tel 0815540340. Mobile phone 3803623522.

... and many other initiatives:

- parties shows in residential structures for old people
- tiny cruises in the Gulf of Naples

- going around in the city
 - by train to Sorrento, by tasting limoncello and babà
 - by train to visit Sanctuary of Pompeii
 - visiting museums
 - healthy walks in the woods
 - performances, music and cinema in the historical centre
 - all people to the sea... nobody excluded
- and a lot of other initiatives ...

See the complete programme of the **“Serene Summer” initiatives devoted to old and disabled people that stay in town.**

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