BAVARIAN SPORTS YOUTH (BSJ)

The BSJ is the youth association of the Bavarian Sports Confederation (BLSV). Members are all athletes in sports clubs and organisations under the age of 27, as well as youth group leaders in the Bavarian Sports Confederation, the National Sports Federations and the sports clubs themselves.

More than 1,9 Million youths, teens and young adults take part in a wide variety of sports in more than 12,000 sports clubs in Bavaria, making the BSJ the largest member in the Bavarian Youth Ring, the largest alliance of organisations which advocate the interests of our youth in Bavaria.
Voluntary Work in Sports...

... this encompasses the three programmes: Voluntary Social Year in Sports (FSJ), the Federal Volunteer Service in Sports (BFD) as well as the Ecological Federal Volunteer Service in Sports (ÖBFD). These volunteer services offer motivated sport oriented citizens the opportunity to actively participate and take on responsibilities in sport and sport organisations. These internships give volunteers valuable impressions and learning experiences in the fields of education and sports. Our volunteers fulfill, through their qualified and motivated skills for many different aspects of club management, the needs of our clubs to help them maintain their programmes and prosper. For both sides it is a win-win situation.

International Youth Work Programme

The BSJ takes on an active role in developing international work programmes in sport. This allows our own youth to experience and learn for life, to interact, communicate and live in and with other cultures and peoples. Through these sport programmes, borders are overcome and friendships built between the youth of our and other very different countries.

Themes and Projects

Die BSJ is actively involved in different activities and social projects which cover a wide spectrum of issues, for example: sport in school and sports club, sexual abuse prevention in sport, environmental issues in sport, sport in juvenile detention centers, alcohol abuse in sport, self confidence through sport, as well as sport development programs in evolving Nations like Namibia, amongst others.

The development of young children is also a major concern of our organisation. We offer two projects to help teach coordination through sport to preschool children between the ages of 3 and 6. One of which is a certification programme for Kindergartens.

Education

One of our central themes is supporting and helping our motivated volunteer workers, who actively promote youth sport in the communities, directly with relevant and praxis oriented information.

Our goal is to train these volunteers to become certified youth and training sport coaches through our schooling opportunities and seminars. Coaches are the backbone of our existing sports clubs, then they are leaders, mentors and examples for our children (as well as for adults) and insure the infrastructure of organised sport in clubs for coming generations.

Political Agenda

The BSJ, the youth organization of the Bavarian Sports Confederation, not only advocates the interests of youth in sport, it also sees itself as a representative of the interests of youth in society in general. It is vocal in its position to the social situation of our youth, especially when it concerns the rights, healthy development and future of its constituents. It conducts lobby work in politics working with different ministries, parties, and the government, as well as with industrial and economic partners in the public and private sectors and in the field of press and media.