



**FEDERATION OF CYPRIOT AMERICAN ORGANIZATIONS (FCAO)  
ΟΜΟΣΠΟΝΔΙΑ ΚΥΠΡΙΑΚΩΝ ΟΡΓΑΝΩΣΕΩΝ ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗΣ**

**Δελτίο Τύπου**

**Φιλοξενία Κυπριοπαίδων από την Αμερική στην Κύπρο  
Ιούλιος 2026**

Η Ομοσπονδία Κυπριακών Οργανώσεων Αμερικής, σε συνεργασία με την Υπηρεσία Αποδήμων της Κυπριακής Δημοκρατίας, ανακοινώνει τη διοργάνωση του φετινού Προγράμματος Καλοκαιρινής Φιλοξενίας Κυπριοπαίδων στην Κύπρο, το οποίο θα πραγματοποιηθεί από τις 13 έως τις 20 Ιουλίου 2026.

Στο πρόγραμμα μπορούν να συμμετάσχουν παιδιά αποδήμων Κυπρίων από τις Ηνωμένες Πολιτείες **ηλικίας από 14 έως 17 ετών**.

Κατά τη διάρκεια της παραμονής τους στην Κύπρο, οι συμμετέχοντες θα έχουν την ευκαιρία να γνωρίσουν από κοντά την ιστορία, τον πολιτισμό και τις παραδόσεις της πατρίδας των προγόνων τους μέσα από επισκέψεις σε ιστορικούς και αρχαιολογικούς χώρους, εκκλησίες, μοναστήρια και σημαντικά μνημεία σε διάφορες πόλεις της Κύπρου.

Το Πρόγραμμα Φιλοξενίας αποτελεί μια σημαντική γέφυρα σύνδεσης της νέας γενιάς των Κυπρίων της Διασποράς με τη γενέτειρα των γονιών, παππούδων και γιαγιάδων τους, προσφέροντας στα παιδιά μια μοναδική εμπειρία γνωριμίας με την πλούσια ιστορία, τον πολιτισμό και τις παραδόσεις της Κύπρου.

Η τελευταία ημέρα υποβολής αιτήσεων είναι η 30ή Απριλίου 2026.

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες και αιτήσεις, παρακαλούμε επικοινωνήστε με:

**Ομοσπονδία Κυπριακών Οργανώσεων Αμερικής**

Τηλ.: (516) 399-2295

Email: [info@fcaousa.org](mailto:info@fcaousa.org)

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are pleased to invite your child to apply for the **2026 Cyprus Summer Hospitality Program**, organized by the Federation of Cypriot American Organizations (FCAO) in cooperation with and sponsored by the Government of Cyprus. The program is open to children between the ages of 14 and 17.

During the program, participants will have the opportunity to explore Cyprus' rich history, culture, and traditions through organized visits to historic and archaeological sites, museums, churches, and cultural landmarks across the island. The program also includes educational and cultural activities, group excursions, and opportunities for participants to connect with other young Cypriots from the diaspora, creating a meaningful and memorable experience.

The Government of Cyprus will cover the cost of accommodations, meals, and guided tours during the program. The Federation will not be responsible for arranging flights or transporting children to or from Cyprus, as travel arrangements are the responsibility of each participant's family. Families whose children will already be in Cyprus during the program dates are encouraged to apply.

The 2026 Summer Hospitality Program will take place from July 13 to July 20, 2026. Please note that space in the program is limited, and applications will be reviewed accordingly.

The deadline for submitting applications is **April 30, 2026**. Families will be notified regarding the acceptance of their child's application by **May 15, 2026**.

Completed applications may be submitted by email to [info@fcaousa.org](mailto:info@fcaousa.org) or by mail to the following address:

**Federation of Cypriot American Organizations (FCAO)**  
333 Glen Head Rd, Suite 250  
Glen Head, NY 11545

We look forward to welcoming your child to this unique opportunity to experience the history, culture, and heritage of Cyprus.

Sincerely,

Kyriacos Papastylianou  
President  
Federation of Cypriot American Organizations

**APPLICATION  
2026 CYPRUS SUMMER HOSPITALITY PROGRAM**

Child's First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: Male/Female: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of birth: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please attach copy of the birth certificate)

Child's School: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's First and Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's First and Last name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the  Mother  Father of Cypriot origin? Please check all that apply

**Parents are members of the following Cypriot organization(s):**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever participated in an FCAO Hospitality Trip?  YES  NO

If yes, please state year: \_\_\_\_\_

Conduct: Please provide a letter or certification from the school confirming the child's conduct.

**Please mail or e-mail completed application by April 30, 2026**  
**333 Glen Head Rd, Suite 250, Glen Head, New York 11545**  
**e-mail: [info@fcaousa.org](mailto:info@fcaousa.org)**

**DECLARATION**

**The Undersigned:**

Full Name: .....

Home address: .....

Telephone.....

Father  Mother  Legal Guardian Please select one

(Child's Name): .....

(Date of Birth): .....

I hereby grant my child permission to participate in the Cyprus Summer Hospitality Trip for children of Overseas Cypriot families, which is scheduled to take place in Cyprus from July 13 to July 20, 2026.

I hereby confirm that my child does not have any known health conditions that would prevent participation in this program. I understand that providing false or misleading information may result in the forfeiture of participation in the program and the loss of any associated funds.

*(Upon your child's acceptance into the program, a medical release form and a medical certificate from the child's pediatrician are required.)*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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# 2026 CYPRUS HOSPITALITY PROGRAM

## Eligibility Criteria and Guidelines for the Cyprus Hospitality Trip

- At least one parent must be of Greek or Cypriot descent.
- Participants must be between the ages of 14 and 17 years old at the time of the program.
- Ideally, one child will be selected per family. Priority will be given to children who have not previously participated in the Hospitality Program.
- The Federation of Cypriot American Organizations (FCAO) reserves the right to select the participating children.
- Applicants will be notified in a timely manner regarding their acceptance or non-acceptance into the program.
- The 2026 Cyprus Summer Hospitality Program will take place from July 13 to July 20, 2026.
- The Hospitality Trip includes eight (8) nights of accommodation at locations selected by the Government of the Republic of Cyprus, as well as meals, guided tours, educational and cultural activities, picnics, and visits to museums and archaeological sites. Airfare, travel arrangements, and the transportation and supervision of the child to and from Cyprus are solely the responsibility of the participant's family, along with any personal expenses.
- Participants must possess a valid passport and any required travel documentation. Ensuring that all travel documents are valid and up to date is the responsibility of the participant's family.
- During the Hospitality Trip, participants must stay at the designated accommodations and participate in the scheduled program activities.
- Participants will be supervised by FCAO chaperone/s throughout the Hospitality Trip.
- Parents must inform the program escort or chaperone of the name of the person who will drop off or pick up the child if that person is other than the child's parent or legal guardian.
- After the conclusion of the Hospitality Trip, participants may stay with relatives or friends, provided this is authorized by their parents or legal guardians, who will assume full responsibility for them.
- Any participant who remains in Cyprus or travels to other destinations after the program concludes will be the responsibility of their parents, relatives, or friends.
- Participants are expected to follow all program rules and conduct themselves respectfully and responsibly at all times. Any concerns or problems should be communicated directly to the escort or chaperone. Failure to comply with program rules may result in dismissal from the program at the family's expense.

- Participants must have valid health insurance coverage for the duration of the program. Parents or guardians authorize the program organizers to obtain necessary medical care in the event of illness or emergency. Any medical expenses not covered by insurance will be the responsibility of the participant's family.
- Parents or guardians must provide complete emergency contact information and disclose any medical conditions, allergies, or special needs relevant to the participant.
- A Parental Consent and Liability Waiver Form must be completed and signed prior to participation in the program.
- The program organizers reserve the right to make reasonable changes to the program itinerary, accommodations, or activities, if necessary, due to unforeseen circumstances.
- By participating in the program, parents or guardians grant permission for photographs or videos of participants to be used for FCAO informational or promotional purposes, unless otherwise requested in writing.