

FAVIBC: 40 YEARS IN THE NEIGHBOURHOODS

FAVIBC is the Federation of Social Housing and Neighbourhood Associations in Catalonia, in Catalan language: Federació d'Associacions de Veïns D'Habitatge Social de Catalunya. Catalanian neighbourhood associations, AAVV, have existed since already 1968 and coincided with the new social movements in Europe and North America, of that time. FAVIBC is an Entity of reference in Catalan public housing.

WORKS

FAVIBC itself was born in 1989 Initially the task of FAVIBC was to solve regular urban and housing matters, but the overall social needs of the residents were soon exposed. FAVIBC started to work with different social projects for improving the life in the neighbourhoods and encouraged the consolidation of new social movements. Today, FAVIBC's work covers the whole range of neighbourhood activities and is everywhere to be seen in the everyday life of the Catalanian neighbourhoods.

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EXECUTIVE BOARD

A lot of tasks are consequence of the work in matter of social policy and the voluntary dedication of the Executive board members: Creation and first works in the Commission of Immigration. Commission of Construction; tasks of negotiation and follow-up of PDOR. Commission of Volunteering and PIRMI. Participation in Metropolitan Transport Area. Follow-ups and evaluation of projects with local, autonomic and state administration. Commission of Programs with the Agency of Housing in Catalonia.

FAVIBC, SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

FAVIBC has formed social workers more than 15 years. Technicians who works now in private or public administrations, Universities, Foundations, and other organisations related with the third sector. More than 15 years working in communities. In the last 10 years, FAVIBC has hired more than 850 technicians. More than 14 millions hours in social work. More than 35 millions hours dedicates to volunteers. And always in Social Housing Neighbourhood, the more vulnerability people.

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