CBYX ENRICHES AMERICA

The Congress-Bundestag Youth Exchange (CBYX) invests in young citizen ambassadors, ensuring continued strong partnership between the U.S. and Germany. Funded jointly by the United States Congress and the German Bundestag since 1983, CBYX provides American and German youth the opportunity to experience the culture and language of their host communities by living with a host family while attending school and in some cases, completing an internship.

A 2022 evaluation demonstrates the positive effect of CBYX on American participants and host communities. CBYX expands perspectives and provides American youth with key skills that boost their careers across sectors. American host communities have enriched educational experiences and showcase diverse parts of the USA when welcoming young German participants into their homes, schools, and organizations.



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American **CBYX Alumni** 2,000+

American host communities



Enhanced Career Traiectories

would not be where they are today without the program.



89% believe that they lanauaae skills in professional careers.



Concrete New Skills

84% say they have leveraged their German



Strengthened **Communication Ability**

92% reported improved communication skills.



Increased Cross-Cultural Awareness

98% reported an increase in cross-cultural awareness.



Deepening American Values

53% returned home feeling greater pride in the USA.



Understanding of U.S. Role

93% reported new understanding of the U.S.' and American citizens' role in the world.



Expanded Worldviews

91% gained an appreciation for other cultures and curiosity about the world.



Personal Growth

89% felt thev increased their ability to adapt to difficult or new situations.

[CBYX] definitely made me realize how lucky we are to be Americans

Young Professional Alumni, 2008-2009



Gained Family Benefits

94% of American host families feel they benefitted from hosting German CBYX exchange participants.



Deepened Cultural Appreciation

82% of host families reported new appreciation for cultures other than their own.



Gained School Benefits

100% of American host schools' representatives say their schools benefitted from hosting German CBYX exchange students.



Educational Enrichment

93% of host schools felt that it enriched their American students' educational experiences.



Increased Intercultural Understanding

92% of host schools reported increased intercultural awareness.



Amplified Study Abroad Interest

73% of host schools reported a heightened interest in study abroad among American students.



Exposure to New Perspectives

81% of host schools reported increased exposure to new perspectives and ideas.

Having people like CBYX participants on campus really helps broaden the American perspective and enriches the overall diversity in the campus community.

Host School Representative, Nevada

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