YOUTH INVOLVEMENT IN CITY LIFE

GARGŽDAI KLAIPĖDA DISTRICT

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Gargždai?





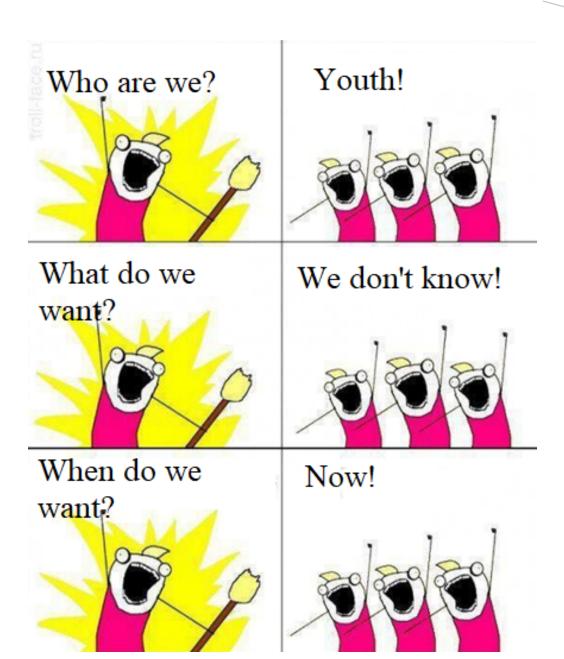
Easy to understand

- Klaipėda district population 56 152.
- Gargždai city population 13 884.
- Youth in the district 10 000.
- Gargždai is situated only 15 km from the third bigest city in Lthuania – Klaipėda.
- Klaipėda district administration center is Gargždai.
- We have beautifull landscape and we present our district like the edge of four waters (Baltic sea, lakes, lagoon, rivers).





HOW OFTEN YOUTH LOOKS TO DEPUTIES AND ADULTS?





Different types

- Age groups: 14-18 (pupils at schools)
- 19-24 (students)
- 25-29 (young families, employees)

Involvement in society: Active, non active

Motivation: Motivated, non motivated

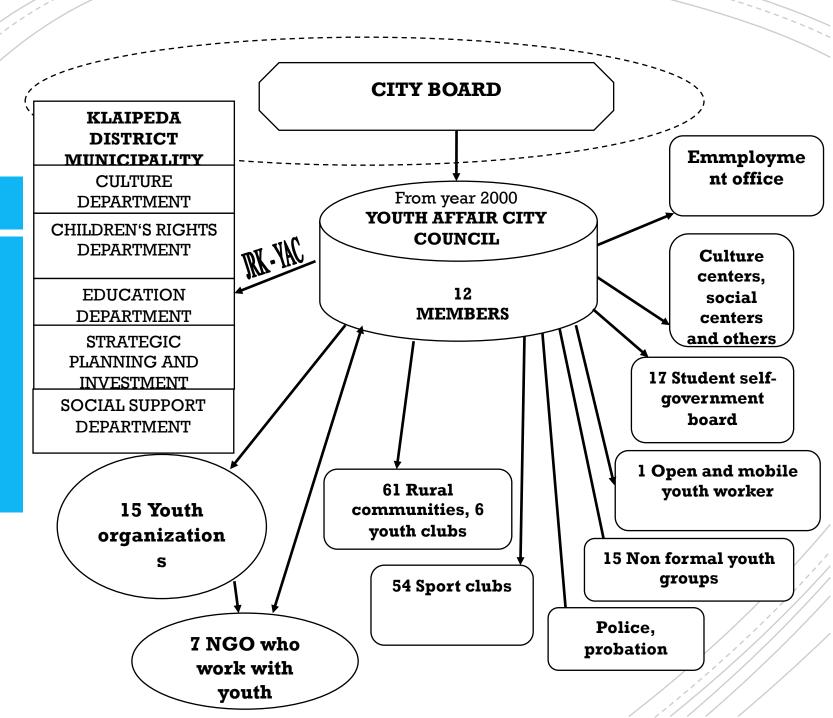
Place: Village, city

And other....



Youth involvement...

Who is stimulating it?







My accomplishements in youth area:

- Member of Local Youth Affairs Council
- Director of Gargždai Open Youth Center (from 2017)
- Member of National Youth work council (from 2019)
- Former Youth Club President in small city in Klaipėda district (2009-2015)
- President of the School Self-Government Board (2009-2011)



ACTIVE YOUTH





Youth clubs or youth NGO's possibilities in Klaipėda district

- To write, implement projects and get funding we have special programs for youth;
- To take part of a small societies in rural places;
- To express their opinion in Youth council;
- To have opportunity to spend their leisure time in a meaningfull way
- Change their lifes in small cities and plan their activities by themselves





THEY ARE CLOSE TO YOUTH

Youth Affair Council role



It shall always be based on the principle of parity:

- 6 delegates from City board or Municipality
- 6 delegates from Roand Table (this NGO concentrates together active youth organizations in Klaipėda district

The youth affair coordinator is responsible for the Council activities.



How are we involving them in the city life?

- Empower them;
- Ask and listen for their opinion;
- Let them work in a groups without charge for the premises used
- Involve them in the city events organizing teams
- Give them visibility
- Youth affair coordinator interacts with them and suggest consultations





Functions

- Collects and analyzes information
- Submits proposals to the Municipal council
- Initiates evaluation of youth policy
- Offers suggestions
- Analyzes foreign countries experience
- Submits his activity report to the Municipal council



Finances

- "Youth line" 2019 budget 16 400 Eur
- It is distributed for:
- 1. Funding youth initiatives projects
- 2. Funding volunteering programs
- 3. Refinancing NGO's projects
- 4. Strengthening youth organizations
- 5. Fulfilling extra youth requests
- 6. Ensuring comunication with youth and NGO's



Youth council iniciative
Youth award
"Golden lights"





Why is this important?

- •Attention for youth and organizations;
- Evaluation and award raising motivation
- a lot of organizations sharing experience in one place
- Present the society our annual achievements



YOUTH, WHO ARE NOT MOTIVATED SO MUCH





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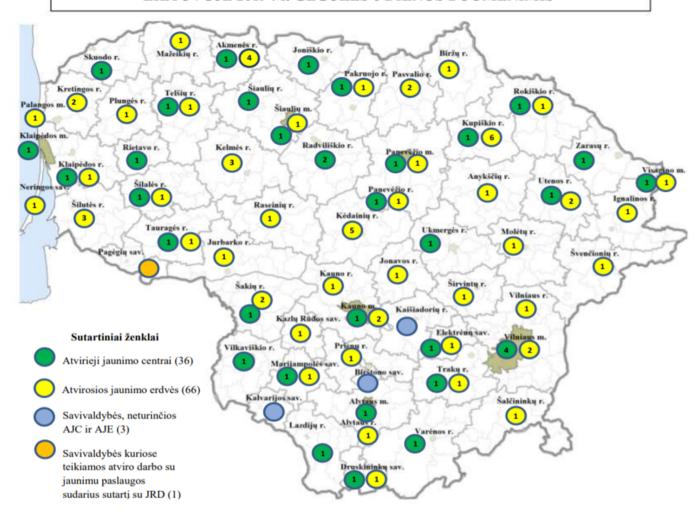
Youth center
- new player in
the city life





Youth centers in Lithuania

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Open Youth work main idea

The activities are carried out with young people according to their needs, in order to integrate, integrate and integrate the young person into their social environment and enable them to participate in their personal and social life in an informal and active way.



It is very important because



The aim of the activities of young workers is to work with young people in order to make young people conscious, independent, responsible for their own well-being and for society



Target group

Atviras darbas su jaunimu

Skirtas jaunuoliams:

Saugi aplinka

Naujos bendravimo formos

Turiningas laiko praleidimas

Išsiskiria savo stiliumi, kalba, elgesiu

Ypatingas dėmesys skiriamas tiems jauniems žmonėms, kurie:

Nemato tikslo gyvenime

Nepritampa prie bendraamžių

Linkę nusikalsti, vartoja svaiginamąsias medžiagas

Stokoja motyvacijos

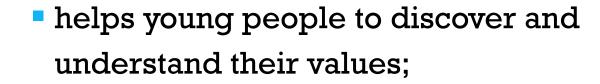


Youth workers functions



- makes contacts and maintains sustainable and equitable relationships with young people;
- identifies and assesses the needs of young people, ensures safe environment and conditions for their realization;
- provides young people with personalized help in difficult situations;
- performs primary prevention by recognizing risky behaviors and taking action to prevent unwanted consequences;





- helping young people to develop, explore, acquire new personal, social and other competences;
- promotes young people's independence, motivation, initiative, entrepreneurship, selfconfidence, self-esteem, personal responsibility, etc.;
- informs young people about issues of particular interest to them, in particular with a view to involving young people not participating in education or the labor market.

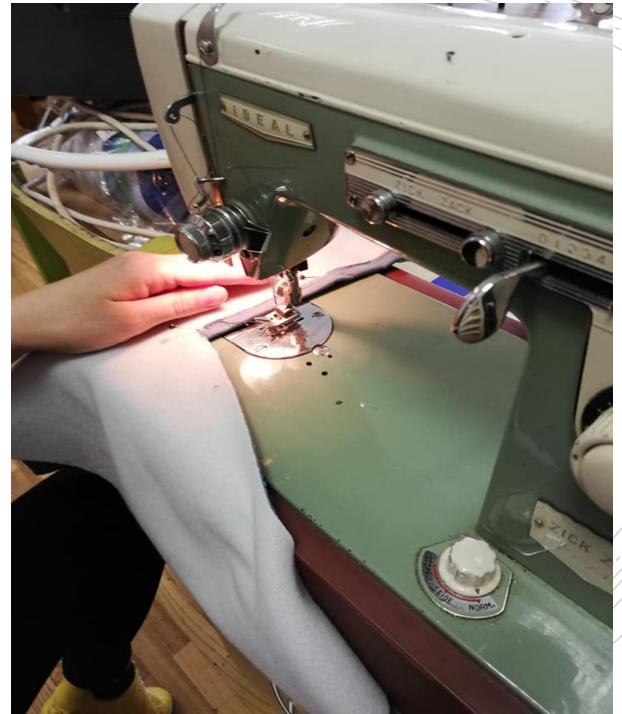
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