

Daugavpils is a city in Latvia, located on the banks of the Daugava River, near the border of Lithuania, Bela-MUNICIPALITY SUPPORTS PEOPLE, WHO ARE PLANNING the second largest city in the country after the capital Riga. It is an industrial and educational centre, as

Anyone, who is planning to return to Daugavpils, but centre. It is the city with multi-ethnical and multiculDaugavpils City Council, in order to get information on: tural environment. Daugavpils City Council is working actively to make the city an attractive place for living housing opportunities; and doing business through implementing different projects, including international ones.

This informative brochure has been made within the framework of the project "Challenges of Regional Centres: Depopulation Control, Development – Best Practices" (DeCoDe) in the framework of the Measure "Networks of Towns" of Action 2 "Democratic Engage- For more information visit: www.daugavpils.lv ment and Civic Participation" of the European Union programme "Europe for Citizens".











**Project** "Challenges of Regional Centres: Depopulation acquired by the learner. Control, Development – Best Practices" IMPLEMENTATION TIMELINE: 01/03/2018 - 01/02/2020

**The project is aimed** at creating a network of the largest cities after capitals, regional centers, which are economic structures and raising citizens' awareness assets to implement their business idea. about mobility in the European cities.

### PROJECT PARTNERS:



- ♦ LEAD PARTNER: DAUGAVPILS CITY COUNCIL
- ♦ KAUNAS CITY MUNICIPALITY, Lithuania ♦ LODZKIE REGION, Poland
- ♦ CITY ADMINISTRATION OF MAGDEBURG, Germany
- ♦ CEIPES, Palermo, Italy
- ♦ MUNICIPALITY OF VEJLE, Denmark ♦ ACTA CENTER, Oradea, Rumania
- ♦ ADIMAN, Casasimarro, Spain

#### **ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS:**

- Promoting the European citizenship;
- ♦ Enhancing and expanding knowledge about depopulation process in European largest cities, regional centres and local municipalities;
- ♦ Developing depopulation control action plan;
- ♦ Organization of international meetings and conference on prevention measures of depopulation.

rus and Russia. With a population of over 90 000, it is

TO RETURN TO LATVIA, WITH PRACTICAL INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE IN SOLVING ISSUES

well as an important cultural, sports and recreation needs assistance in solving particular issues, can contact

- business and employment opportunities;
- services for families with children and educational opportunities;
- other issues of interest in the sphere of municipal services.



sion's support for the production Daugavpils City Council provides free Latvian language of this publication does not consti- courses for residents of Daugavpils city, including reemitute an endorsement of the contents, which reflect the views only grant families. Schools offer state-funded support measures within one to three school years to complete compulsory primary education - to improve Latvian language skills and to study subjects such as "Latvian Language" or "Literature", or "Latvian Language and Literature", "Social Sciences", "History of Latvia", as well as subjects that are different in Latvia and the educational program previously

More information on izglitiba.daugavpils.lv

#### **GRANT PROGRAMME "IMPULSS"**

The municipality offers young entrepreneurs to participate significantly affected by depopulation in order to promote the exchange of good practices and to develop co-financing up to 7000 EUR for conducting commercial action plan of depopulation control for stronger local activities, as well as for purchasing fixed assets and other

Overall, from 2014 to 2019

- 154 applications were submitted
- 57 projects were supported
- 92 new workplaces were created

Young entrepreneurs have an opportunity to receive municipal support for commercial activities in various sectors. By now, companies in more than 8 manufacturing and service industries, such as electronics, woodworking, sewing, advertising and printing, beauty care and recreation have been supported.

For more information apply to: attistiba@daugavpils.lv











Daugavpils is an important art, culture, education, tourism, sports and recreation centre. Every local citizen, every visitor of Daugavpils and each family with children are offered a wide, diverse and qualitative range of cultural and sporting events. Each year, the city offers new tourism services that make the city environment more attractive to its residents and visitors.

More information on: https://www.visitdaugavpils.lv/



The city has a favourable and motivating environmen or acquiring knowledge and achieving goals at all evels of education, as well as infrastructure specially idapted and developed for children. More information on:

http://www.izglitiba.daugavpils.lv/



# **DAUGAVPILS** S NATURE

ildren's playgrounds are available in each resider I area. City parks, squares and water reservoirs and Il-maintained so that everyone could feel comforta there, being able to spend actively their free time th family and children in a high quality and safe en





augavpils City Council organizes summer camps for hildren and youth. The purpose of the camps is to foster hildren's physical and intellectual development. Dau navpils Municipality annually implements summer em-ployment activities for young people aged 13-19, where young people have an opportunity to get their first work experience in general education institutions, municipal

More information on: http://www.jaunatne.daugavpils.lv





### services free of charge in both trams and buses on all the routes, while students of vocational educaion institutions have access to certain discounts rom the fare on the city route network. The cost of atering pupils in general education institutions is overed by the city budge

Pupils of general education institutions, who are

declared in Daugavpils, can use public transport

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n the case of a childbirth, the municipality provides ne-time cash assistance payment to a family in adom the municipality is available for babysitting ervices for childcare providers. For certain social roups the municipality provides support for purnasing particular teaching aids, as well as offers a enefit to a first grade pupil. Different types of soial support are available for families with a poor or ow income family status, for families, which sups for large families after evaluating their financial

Nore information on: http://www.socd.lv/ ar-mums-sociala-palidziba

## upport for large families atvian Honorary Family Card "3+ Family Card"

a state support program for large families, which als ore children under the age of eighteen in the family s well as those under the age of 24 if they are acquirin eneral, vocational or higher education. Holders of this ard have the opportunity to receive discounts usin ie services offered by public and private companies i ou can apply for the card at www.godagimene.lv

Active associations in Daugavpils

Large Families Association "Lielas ģimenes" he Association "Lielas ģimenes" organizes a variety of educational activities, health-enhancing measures eisure activities, collaborates with many local organi ations and companies that offer various discounts to nembers (by presenting a membership card). www.lielasgimenes.lv

www.facebook.com/lielasgimenes/

amily Support Centre "Plecu pie pleca" ne Association promotes demographic developmer e integration of individuals in society and the welfa ontacts: +371 29477790

'hild Development Centre **"Saules stariņi"** The Centre offers over 21 training programmes to nelp moms and dads, grandmothers and grandarents bring up their babies in an atmosphere of

/www.saulesstarini.lv ssociation "Punktu brālība" The Association "Punktu brālība" supports people vith visual impairments by improving their quality

ove, warmth, and trust.

of life and leisure activities. Contacts: +371 28600220

www.facebook.com/musupasaule/

/www.laimigiberni.ucoz.lv

Daugavpils Autism Centre "Mūsu Pasaule" The Centre assists to children and adults with autism spectrum disorders and their families.

Parent Experience Exchange Club **"Laimīgi bērni** un vecāki*"* 

The Association strengthens family traditions, rais es parents' prestige in the community, and organ zes educational and informational events to supoort children and the family.

# **FAMILY-FRIENDLY PLACES**

# **Family Digital Activity Hub of Latgale Central Library**

guided tour "Try the possibilities of Family Digital Acments. tivity Hub!".

Contacts: www.lcb.lv

22a Rigas Street, Daugavpils

# Digital Activity Hub is a place to explore the technolar thematic tour that gives an opportunity to discover the that gives an opportunity to get acquainted with the exhi-

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# **Daugavpils Fortress Culture and Information Centre**

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# Daugavpils Mark Rothko Art Centre

ogies of the 21st century. The hub offers interactive fortress with a help of interactive exercises and assign- bitions, learn the graphic art as well as become an artist by competitions and other activities. making a group photo on old Dvinsk's Streets.

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### Latgale zoo

The prize of EUR 15,000, which was received in 2018, was

used for complementing digital equipment of Family Dig-

ital Activity Hub at Latgale Central Library, including the

purchase of an interactive "magic carpet"

THE MOST FAMILY-FRIENDLY MUNICIPALITY

IN 2017 AND 2018

from the State Region-

al Development Agen-

cy that was received in

the frames of the state

budget-funded target programme "Family Sup-

port Projects Competition

for Municipalities in Co-

operation with NGO", was

spent on creating an edu-

cational playground in the

territory of Latgale Zoo.

Guided tour for students "Discover Daugavpils Fortress" is Art Centre offers a special programme for pupils and youth Children can watch the animals, stroke a furry rabbit, play Children, pupil and young people are offered a variety of Attending the Clay Art Centre, young visitors can not only Near a lake pontoon construction, which consists of the Esplanade Rest Park is the first bike park in the Baltics with touching guinea-pigs, feed exotic fishes in the pond as well as book a thematic lesson, take part in attractive

The city was ranked high in the competition due to the ex-

cellent balance between infrastructure and social support,

as well as increasing in cooperation between Daugavpils

### Contacts: latgales.zoo@gmail.com **Daugavpils Innovation Centre**

Municipality and families.

Easy science for children with the help of exhibits that allow to look at things from a different and unusual point of +371 65424155 view, exciting and educational activities, unusual experi-museum@daugavpils.lv ments, guided tours for school classes and families, enter-www.dnmm.lv taining and educational festive parties. Contacts: daugavpilsic@gmail.com



### **Daugavpils Regional Studies and Art Museum**

interactive programmes in the museum – "Following in the observe traditional Latgalian ceramics and pottery, but lake promenade, the 25-meter outdoor swimming pool covering an area of 4 hectares in the urban environtracks of primitive men", "Medieval knights and Dinaburg also take part in ceramic workshops. castle", "What hides behind the thesaurus door", "Let's be-

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# Daugavpils Clay Art Centre

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### **Central Beach of Lielais Stropu Lake**

ties, a free beach volleyball court, a kids playground and an and a children's area. electric bike and go-cart rental service.

40 Stropu Street, Daugavpils

# **Esplanade Rest Park**

with 4 lanes, jumping tower and children's swimming pool, ment. This park includes a variety of areas – a skatethere is a great beach with an open area for sports activipark, an asphalted cycling track, an adventure trail

Address:















