

Multifunctional Youth Center

Municipality of Lushnja



As a local government institution, the mission of the Municipality of Lushnja is to serve the community highest interests, ensuring their safety and social welfare. It also tries to ensure social equality, equal rights, and environmental protection. Most importantly, as a public body, the municipality pays a lot of attention to youth, their interests, education, professional development, and any other aspect related to them.

The youth has always been seen as a driving force of our society and we have always tried to push them in order to reach their goals, never doubting their potential. The COVID-19 pandemic had many negative psychological and emotional effects especially on youth. It influenced the learning process of youth as much as the learning process of children. The Municipality of Lushnja decided to work on the improvement of this aspect by creating new infrastructure and building youth capacities, with special focus on those living in the rural areas.

The Multifunctional Youth Center is a new service offered by the Municipality of Lushnja in order to empower Youth in the city of Lushnja but also in each Administrative Unit in the rural areas. The main aim of establishing this service is to improve the socio-economic conditions of young people through the provision of public infrastructure and the quality of access to services. The main beneficiaries of these services are the youth of Lushnje (15-29 years old), the community as a whole, youth organizations, local institutions, and any local/national/international actors and interest groups.



In the Multifunctional Youth Center are being offered free services including:

four (4) Youth Clubs:

- Culture and Art
- Sports
- Environment
- Integration

three (3) free courses:

- Painting,
- Dancing,
- Music.

as well as other diverse youth activities.

The center was established thanks to the support of EU4Municipalities grant scheme and many youth activities are taking place. Based on the expected results of D.R.E.A.M. project in facilitating the learning process as well as the requests of youth, the Municipality of Lushnja created a dedicated IT space for children in the Children's Cultural Center but we extended the target group by creating a dedicated IT space for youth at the Multifunctional Youth Center as well. In this environments Youth can access equipment and internet connection to enhance and improve their learning by surfing the net and using different platforms, websites, networks for free. This is especially crucial for children and youth living in remote rural areas having no internet access. The staff of the Municipality of Lushnja, organized meeting in each administrative unit in order to invite youth to join a benefit from the service and many of them have already joined.



If you would like to learn more about the youth activities and services offered at the center and looking for some ways in building youth capacities and providing the relevant infrastructure to enable their empowerment check the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VP-HS-wIOLE&t=25s>

You can also check the website: <https://bashkialushnje.gov.al/qendra-rinore-multifunkionale/> for more details and information, or send us your questions at the email addresses: bashkia_lushnja@yahoo.com or belisa.haxhiu@yahoo.cm (Project Contact Person).

Youth activities:











