



Krosno

Culture and Resilience Action Plan – Summary

CuReAP Krosno – Culture as the Foundation of Social Resilience

Krosno is a city with a strong identity and rich history, but also a place facing serious social challenges. Demographic changes, the outflow of young people, poor social integration (including with the growing immigrant community), a low sense of resident agency, and limited participation in public life are just some of them. The answer to these problems is CuReAP – an action plan based on culture as a tool for social change and building resilience.

Our goal is to strengthen social bonds, local identity, and civic engagement through cultural activities that will connect, educate, and involve residents—regardless of age, origin, or experience. We want Krosno residents not only to participate in culture but to co-create it—regaining a sense of influence and responsibility for the place where they live.

Within CuReAP, we plan actions such as: subsequent editions of the Youth Participatory Budget "ObudźMY Miasto", improvement of the municipal Civic Budget, thematic city walks, joint tree planting with residents, outdoor dance parties, ethnographic events promoting local heritage, integrative neighborhood picnics, and the implementation of the "Intercultural Guide" developed by the City of Gdynia. Simultaneously, we will analyze and improve civic participation tools to make them simpler, better promoted, and more inclusive.

Involvement will include City Hall employees, cultural institutions (including the Artistic Exhibitions Office, Ethnocenter, Museum of Crafts), youth from schools and the Krosno Youth Council, social organizations, and the residents themselves—as co-organizers and participants. We will pay special attention to youth and the migrant community, supporting their active inclusion in city life.



The effect of CuReAP will be a better integrated, active community that knows the history and identity of its city, knows how to use participatory tools, and feels jointly responsible for its future. We want culture to be a link between generations, environments, and social groups—a space for meetings, conversations, and joint action. For Krosno, this is a chance to reverse negative demographic trends, rebuild social trust, and make the city a place people want to return to—because it offers opportunities, builds community, and listens to its residents.