



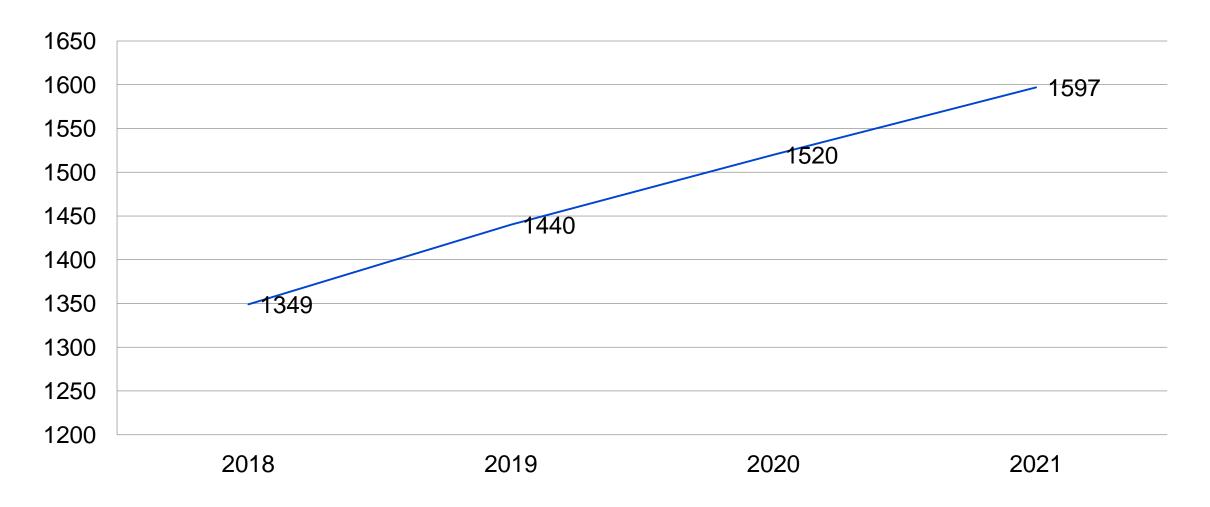
Economical situation. Business environment in Rokiškis region.

Business environment

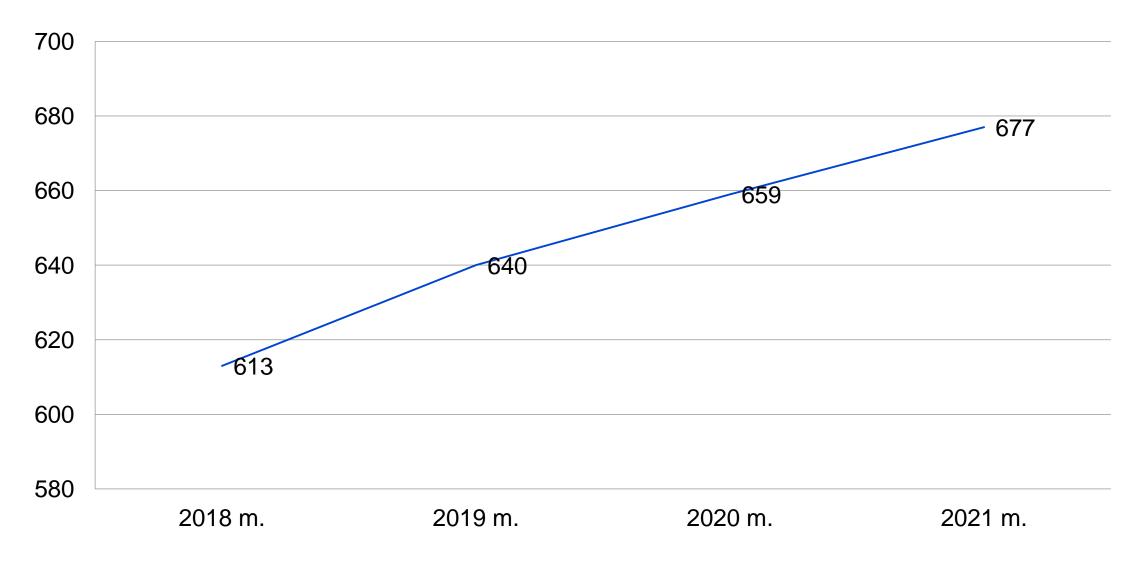
- In 2020 according to the data, one resident of the municipality received 1460 EUR in direct foreign investments.
- Also, one resident of the Rokiškis municipality received 1437 EUR of material investments.



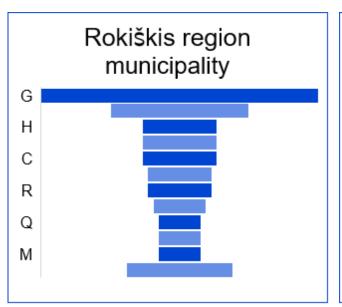
The number of registered economic entities at the beginning of the year

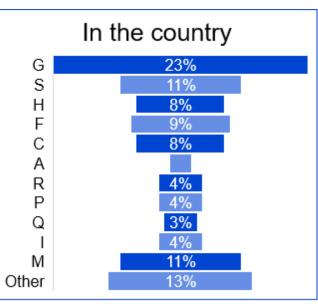


The number of operating economic entities at the beginning of the year



Distribution of operating companies in Rokiškis region municipality and in the country, according to EVRK (%), in the beginning of 2021.





- G Wholesale and retail trade; repair of motor vehicles and motorcycles;
- S other service activities;
- H transport and storage;
- F construction;
- C manufacturing;
- A farming, forestry and fisheries;
- R artistic, entertainment and recreation activities;
- P education:
- Q human health care and social work;
- I accommodation and food service activities;
- M professional, scientific and technical activities.

Average salary

Average monthly salary, average number of employees¹ and their change in Panevėžys county in 2021 IV quarter

Municipality	Gross pay, Euro	Net pay, Euro	Average number of employees
Panevėžys city municipality	1489,5	950,7	36 824
Panevėžys region municipality	1383,0	890,1	8450
Biržai region municipality	1245,7	811,9	4953
Pasvalys region municipality	1276,5	829,4	5079
Rokiškis region municipality	1332,8	861,5	7372
Kupiškis region municipality	1389,3	893,6	3649

2022

Rokiškis

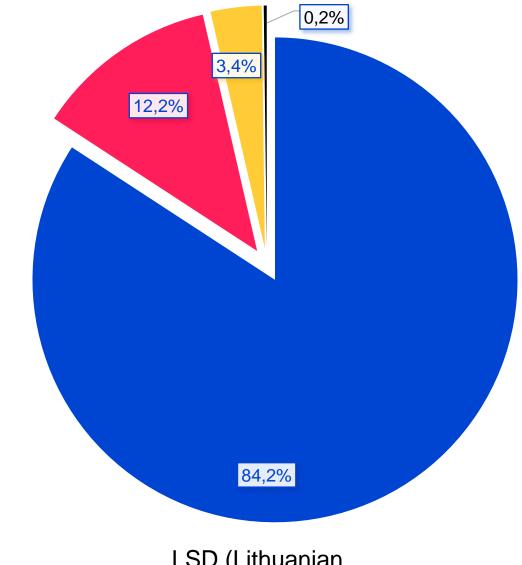
Labor market

- In January of 2022, 2413 unemployed people were registered in Rokiškis district, which is 17.5 percent of working age residents in Rokiškis district (Unemployment rate in the country – 15.1%)
- In January of 2022 people that were registered in the Rokiškis department :

1133 women, 17,4 percent unemployed

1280 men, 17,6 percent unemployed

In the beginning of 2021 small and very small companies dominated in the region



LSD (Lithuanian Statistics Department) data

813 employees



218 employees



144 employees



The largest business enterprises of the region in the beginning of 2022

140 employees



133 employees



We are proud of beautiful and clean nature and...



... by investing to a green energy

Danish company "European Energy" is planning to develop a wind farm in Rokiškis (expected to build 14 wind turbines).



We have started a negotiation with the BOD group that is operating in the field of solar energy, regarding the construction of an innovative remote solar power plant in Rokiškis district



Rokiškis is the greatest place for your investments because you can find here...

- Huge labor resources: 17.5 thousand of working age residents, 2.4 thousand out of them in 2022 were registered as unemployed;
- The possibility of training the unqualified workforce in a vocational school or bringing them from neighboring districts;
- Cheap labor force: average monthly wages in the district in 2021 IV quarter (gross) - 1333 Eur (up to 20-30% lower than in big cities);
- Favorable and clean living environment, well-developed public infrastructure, various educational, cultural, sports and leisure services;
- Opportunity to receive EU funds, LIFE or other international programs for business development;
- Competitive real estate rental and sale prices;
- The increasing number of economic entities operating in the area (in 2020 -677), of which 84.2 percent - small companies.

Rokiškis – the best place for your investments because applicable municipal support:

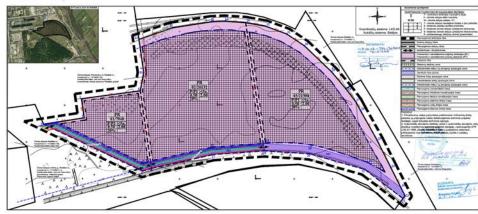
- For business development through a local program;
- Tax benefits (up to 100% of land/land rent/real estate) for new investors for a period of 3 years;
- Preparation of permits/territory planning documents required for business;
- Formation of plots suitable for the construction of industrial and storage facilities and offer to investors;
- An offer of vacant commercial buildings to investors.

In Rokiškio we can offer open territories for the construction of industrial and storage facilities

Offered land plots for the territory of industrial and storage facilities

in Rokiškis district municipality

Plan of the site



Address	Rokiškis city, Rokiškis, Jūžintai str., 3C, 3D, 3E		
Plot size	5,547ha (0,7940ha + 2,6132ha+2,1398ha)		
Electricity	Distance to transformer - 100 m		
Water	Distance to trail - 100 m, d400 mm		
Telecommunication	Internet, teo, distance 100 m		
Distance to main road	Distance to asphalt street 0,36 km. The plot is bordered with an operating railway line		
Price / terms	the plot's main purpose of use - other, the method of land use areas of industrial and storage facilities		





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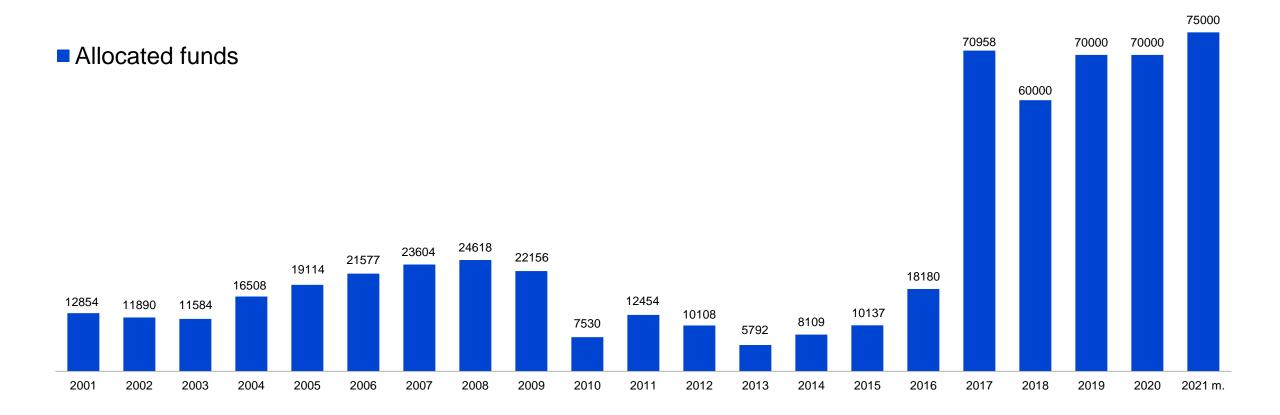




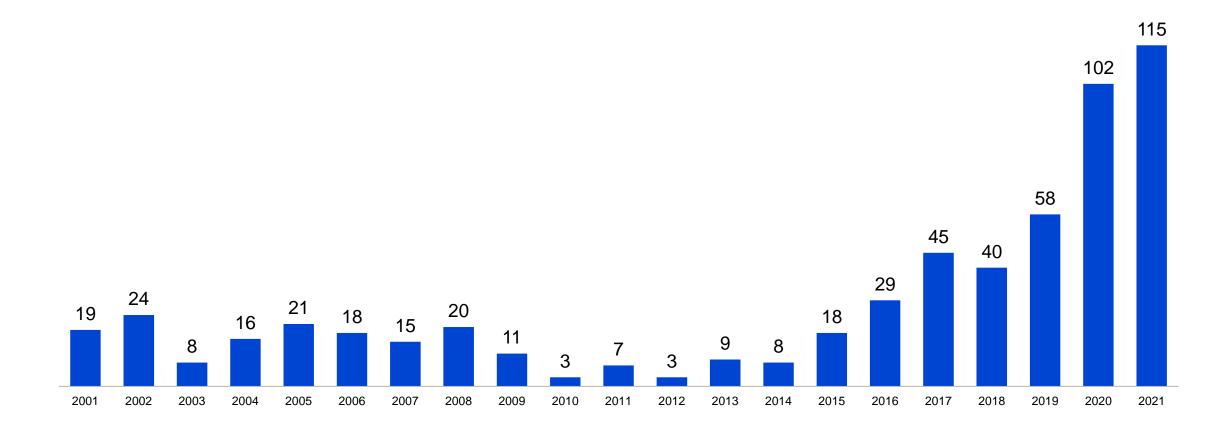
The small and medium business development program of the Rokiškis district municipality was established by the Rokiškis district municipal council in March 31 of 2017 decision no. TS-57 (since 2001 is called the fund)

This program aims to support the establishment and development of small and medium-sized businesses, promote the creation of new jobs, raise the qualifications of business entities and their employees, carry out the development of companies, etc.

Program funds/ dynamics of fund



Dynamics of the number of applications



Rokiškis municipality support for business

Contact if:

- You have established a very small, small or medium-sized company in Rokiškis district;
- You carry out an individual activity.

Important! The maximum amount of support for one beneficiary 3000 Euro.

- Company establishment costs;
- Costs of creating new jobs;
- Loan interest:
- Real estate, land, land rental expenses for business;
- Costs of company training, business plans, consultations, project preparation;
- Organization of exhibitions, expenses, fairs, competitions;
- Costs of creating visual aids, website, e-shop;
- Costs of purchasing equipment, repairing premises;
- Premises rental costs for companies that have been established for up to a year.

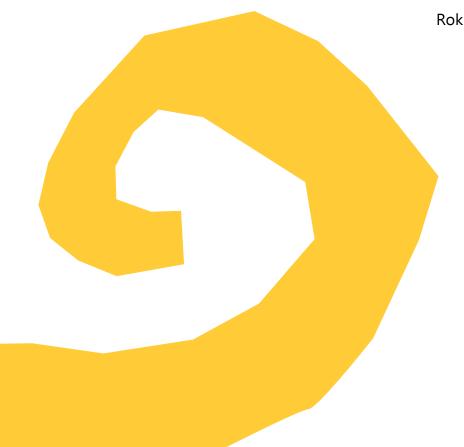
Supported directions

Support can be received by small and medium-sized business entities, individuals (performing activities according to a business license or individual activity certificate) and legal entities that have registered their activity and are conducting it in Rokiškis district.

Those working under a business license must operate in the Rokiškis district for at least 180 days per calendar year or which is issued for a period of at least 6 months.

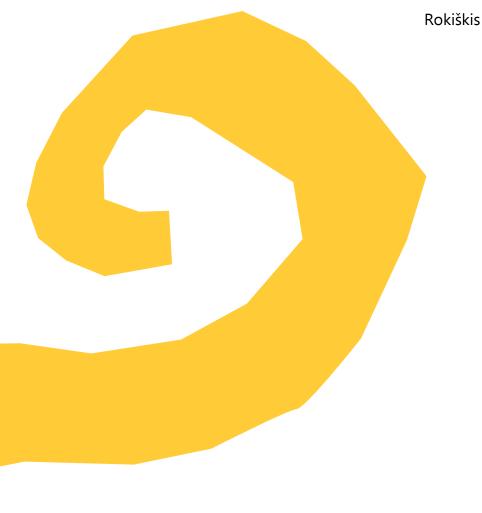
Supported directions:

- Reimbursement of interest (50 % for 12 months);
- Partial support for the creation of new jobs by employing an unemployed person or a graduate registered in the Rokiškis department of the Employment Service:
- Covering the company registration fee (application to be submitted within 18 months);
- Coverage of land, land rent or real estate tax (one of them, up to 50%);



Covering the costs of short-term special courses, seminars and consultations;

- Financing of participation in exhibitions, fairs, business missions;
- Partial reimbursement of the costs of the preparation and creation of new company websites, electronic information tools;
- Partial reimbursement of the costs of preparation of informational and advertising publications and preparation of publishing and other advertising tools;
- Financing of projects of associated business organizations that improve the business environment;
- Purchase of new long-term tangible and intangible assets for the development of the company, the value of which is not less than EUR 500 (compensated up to 50%) (except N1 and M1 vehicles and their accessories, does not apply to targeted vehicles);
- Covering the rent of premises for companies operating for no longer than 18 months (it is necessary to register the lease agreement at the real estate registry center);
- Compensation of the social insurance tax for the creation of new jobs (up to 3 employees, up to 6 months);
- Reimbursement of expenses for preparation of business plans, investment projects, applications to receive financial support from EU structural funds;
- Equipment insurance costs for participation in the programs implemented by the Employment Service at the SADM (Ministry of Social Security and Labour) of the Republic of Lithuania, for the first year.



IE "Hexsol" partial interest compensation













Registration of new companies

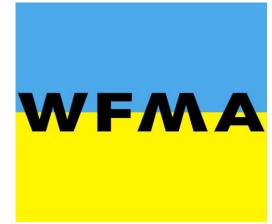
Participation in exhibitions











Informational advertising tools



LORETA SAGAITIENĖ

MOKSLO KLUBAS
PAŽINKIME IR KURKIME
PASAULĮ KARTU

RAMINTA KATINIENĖ



Subsidies for the implementation of the business idea for the winners of the project competition

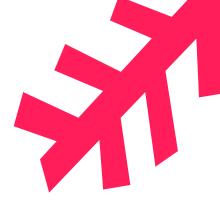
GIEDRIUS SMALSKYS



What we don't support?

The program supports all legal economic commercial activities except:

- Hunting, trapping and related service activities;
- Production of beverages, except production of malt, non-alcoholic beverages, mineral and other bottled water, except education related to the cultivation of heritage.
- Production of tobacco products;
- Wholesale trade, except for the wholesale trade of self-made products;
- Financial and insurance activities (activities of financial services, insurance, reinsurance and pension funds accumulation, activities, auxiliary activities of financial services and insurance);
- Real estate operations;
- Legal activities;
- Gambling and betting organization activities;
- Pawnshop activities.



Submission of applications

- Rokiškis district municipal administration will publish a call for applications for support. The number of invitations per year is not limited.
- Managers of companies, partnerships and companies intending to apply for support
 must fill out a simple application form that is published on the website www.rokiskis.lt
 in the section for Entrepreneurs/Business support and submit other necessary
 documents, which are specified in the program regulations.
- One business entity cannot submit more than three applications in one year;
- The total amount of the submitted applications requested to be reimbursed from the Program funds cannot exceed EUR 3,000;
- During the same current year, an SME entity <u>cannot submit more than 1 application</u> under the same direction of the Program instrument;
- All expenses <u>must be paid already and no later than 12 months (for renting premises</u>

 12 months).
- The applicant must not have a valid criminal record.

Evaluation of applications

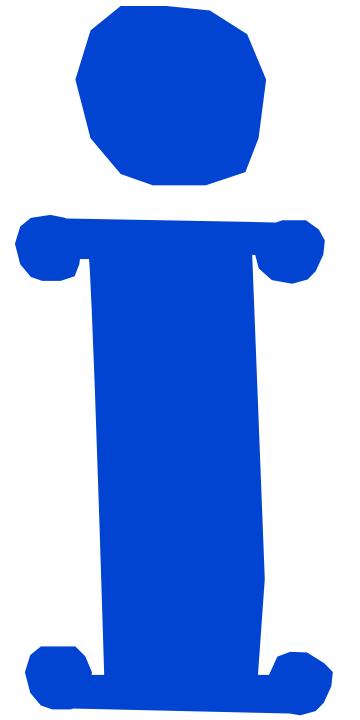
It is important that business entities must submit all mandatory documents regarding project applications at least two working days before the meeting of the evaluation committee of the SME Development Program.

IMPORTANT! If the required documents are not submitted or the application is not completed on time and it was requested, the application will be rejected.

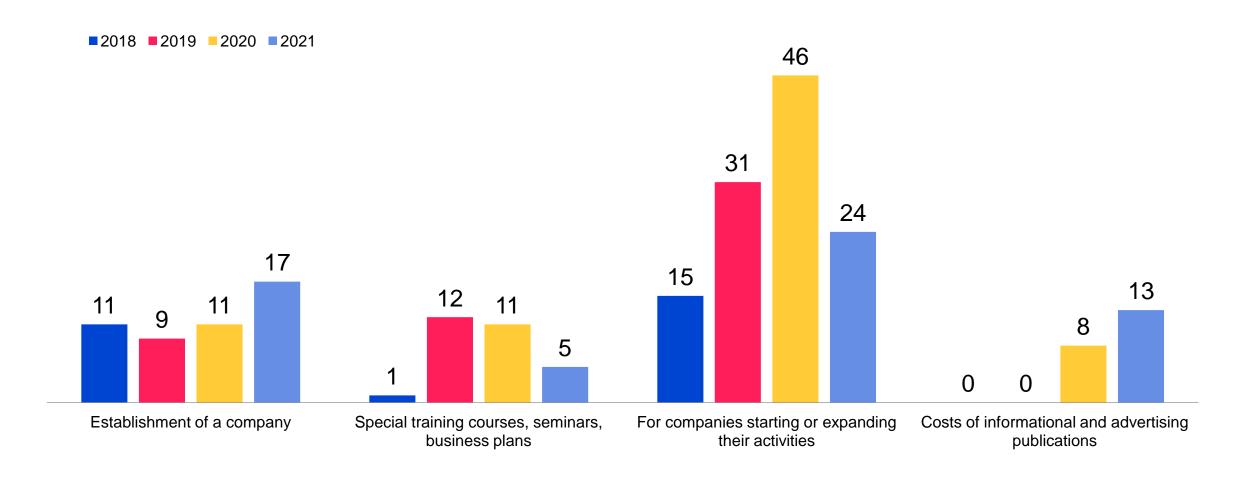
- The commission considers and evaluates the submitted applications, whether the applicant meets the conditions in accordance with these regulations, whether the economic activity carried out by him complies with the provisions and tasks of the strategic documents of the Rokiškis district municipality.
- Applications requesting compensation for the establishment of a company, as well as those who have won state support under the Local Employment Initiatives Program for district employer projects, are checked but not scored.
- An application requesting funding of up to <u>EUR 500</u> is assessed by the <u>members</u> of the Commission and <u>decisions are made by majority vote</u>, and in case of a tie, the <u>decision</u> is determined by the vote of the Commission chairman.
- The application, which is requested to be financed in an amount equal to or exceeding the amount of EUR 500, is evaluated by points after deriving the overall average of points.

Changes

- Even more attention <u>will be paid to young companies</u>, especially those that <u>have not applied to this program for support in the last two years</u>.
- Business entities that have received support must maintain the place of registration of the SME entity in the municipality of Rokiškis district for at least one year after the grant of support, and undertake to carry out the activities specified in the application, use the purchased equipment, facilities or tools for at least two years from the date of the grant of support
- New workplace created the applicant's newly created workplace according to the employment contract, individual activity certificate, business certificate or according to the civil (services) contract concluded with the manager of MB (not earlier than within a period of 12 months before the date of submission of the application) and/or the job has been maintained for at least one year after receiving the support. One job corresponds to one fulltime position, which must be expressed as the equivalent of new conditional jobs (new full-time positions) based on an 8-hour working day, a 40-hour working week, working throughout the year, except when the Labor Code provides otherwise (applies to those working under employment contracts or civil (service) contracts). If operating according to a business license or individual activity certificate, the business license or individual activity certificate for the activities provided for in the project must be valid throughout the year, with the exception of seasonal works approved by the Government of the Republic of Lithuania in 2017. June 21 by resolution no. 496 "On the implementation of the Labor Code of the Republic of Lithuania



The most popular directions of support



MB "Ramuma" director RAMŪNAS NARBUTAS:

" Every euro helps, every help is good"

MB "Ramuma"provides transportation and freight transport rental services. The company's accountant informed me about the possibility of receiving support, and it was not difficult to organize all the documentation. We allocated support funds for the purchase of a tractor. We invested about 30 thousand euros in it, and we received support of 2 thousand euros. Every euro counted for such an expensive purchase. If there is an opportunity, we will apply for this support next time because we are trying to expand, every help is good. Next time, we may be able to purchase the necessary tool, which is very expensive, or maybe even two things.



Owner of an individual company JOLANTA BANIENĖ:

"Support allows for better quality services"

It was not the first time I applied for support for the development of a small and medium-sized business, and everything went smoothly - it was clear how to fill out the documents, and the employees of the Strategic Planning, Investments and Public Procurement Department of the district municipality came to the rescue in case of questions. The received support helped realize the dream of opening a pet salon. The financial assistance enabled the purchase of innovative and specialized equipment, which made it possible to provide quality services. Having evaluated the advantages of this support and the help and smooth cooperation of the municipal employees, I plan to apply for this support next year as well. It can help implement every new idea, expand the range of services and improve their quality.



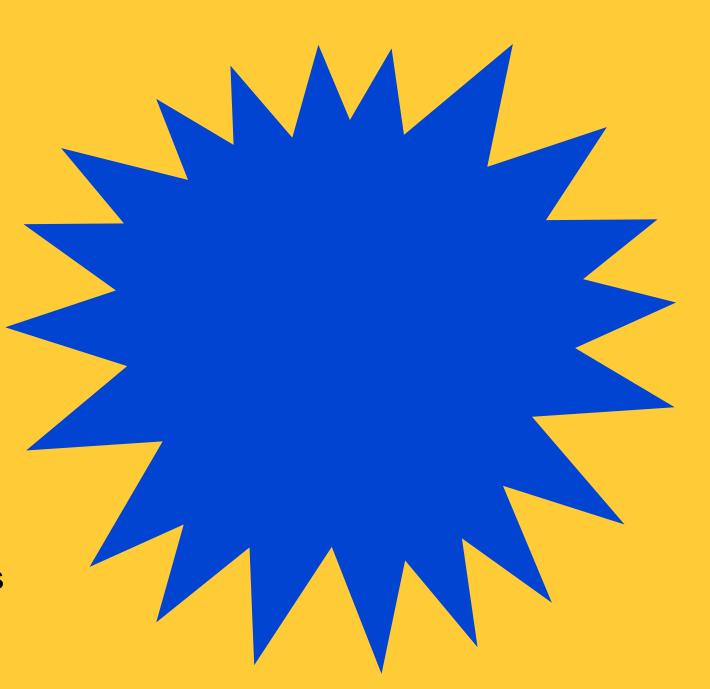
District sponsorship program contribution

- According to the district support program, 41 new salaried jobs were created last year, and 13 owners of newly created small communities created additional jobs for themselves.
- According to the website of the State Social Insurance Fund Board under the Ministry of Social Security and Labour http://draudejai.sodra.lt/draudeju_viesi_duomenys/
 "information about the policyholder's public data" certificates (2021-12-31), with the funds of the small and medium business development program of the Rokiškis district municipality in 2021. a-total-of-464-persons-worked-in-supported-companies-in-Rokiškis-district.

Other benefits for a business

100 percent benefits for business licenses

- For pupils and students
- For traditional craftsmen
- For people with severe disabilities

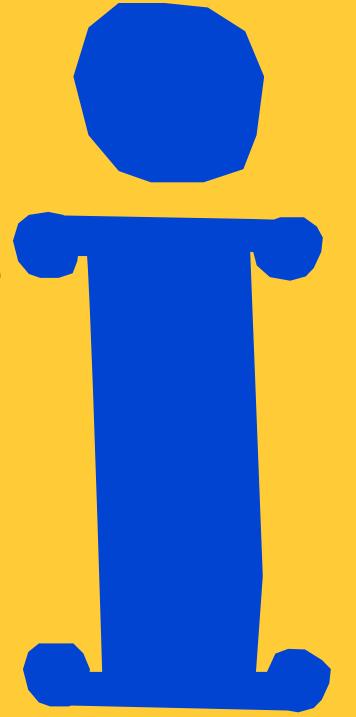


Investment promotion benefit in Rokiškis district municipality

For economic entities that start a new economic activity (production/services) in the territory of the Rokiškis district municipality and invest in newly created assets and create new jobs.

100 percent land, and/or state land rent and/or real estate tax benefits for up to three tax periods depending on the volume of investment in newly created property and the number of new jobs created:

- For a period of 1 year, if between 100,000 and 300,000 EUR has been invested in newly created assets and at least 5 new jobs have been created within one year before the date of the application to the municipal council for the grant of relief:
- For a period of 2 years, if between 300,001 and 500,000 EUR have been invested in newly created property and at least 10 new jobs have been created within one year before the date of the application to the municipal council for the grant of relief;
- For a period of 3 years, if more than EUR 500,001 have been invested in newly created assets and at least 15 new jobs have been created within one year prior to the date of submission of the application to the municipal council for the granting of relief.



Rokiškis

Invest in Rokiškis!

- Rokiškis district is the economic, social and cultural center of Northeastern Lithuania.
- Competitive, attractive to visit, live, work and invest!







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