

# Jasło - City of Knowledge



# Rationale

- In Jasło, we believe that our citizens are the most important resource of the city - their talents, ambitions and hopes are an opportunity for the development and success of the community
- This approach means that the city should make efforts to support its residents in order to develop their talents, enrich knowledge and create conditions for individual growth
- We are aware that it is a long process, but we are convinced that there is no better way to develop a community than providing opportunities for development of its members

# Assumptions of the Jasło Program - City of Knowledge

- The Jasło - City of Knowledge Program is a strategic development program implemented by the local government of the City of Jasło in cooperation with external partners
- The aim of the program is to create an atmosphere for acquiring knowledge by all generations of Jasło citizens, and thus increase the residents' satisfaction with the quality of life in Jasło, increase their competitiveness on the labor market and cultural development of Jasło
- Activities in the years 2021-2024 will be based on the achievements so far, as well as will be expanded with new elements

# Strategic position of the Program

- The Jasło - City of Knowledge program is an important part of the Jasło Development Strategy
- Every year, funds are reserved in the city budget for the implementation of key projects
- City development projects must take into account the aspect of the City of Knowledge
- The city systematically acquires external funds to achieve its goals

# Development of digital competences

- In the last few years, a special program was implemented aimed at the development of digital competences of the residents of Jasło
- As part of this project, the digital infrastructure of schools and educational institutions was modernized
- School teachers in Jasło were trained in digitalization of their daily work
- Adult residents of Jasło participated in trainings increasing their digital competences

# Jasło Science League with Lotos

- For six years now, a project devoted to the development of students' cognitive competences has been implemented in Jasło
- Every year, about 100 students enter a competition for the best research project
- In small groups, participants identify, according to their interests, their cognitive problem, and then conduct an analysis - collect evidence, choose an appropriate research method, gather literature, and formulate hypotheses
- After 3-4 months, supported by academic tutors, the teams prepare their presentations of achievements
- In the spring of each year, during the Science Festival, all projects are presented and evaluated by a professional jury - the best receive valuable prizes sponsored by the Lotos company

# "Universities"

- "Small universities" have been operating in Jasło for several years
- Every year, over 100 children in Jasło aged 5-10 participate in the activities of the Children's University of Jasło, and about 50 seniors participate in the University of the Third Age
- Both universities implement their annual programs on the basis of financial support from the city budget and volunteer work
- Classes are open - they concern many scientific topics, popularizing knowledge, science and openness to the world

# Center of Technology, Culture and Entrepreneurship

- As part of the Jasło - City of Knowledge Program, a special facility was built, which will become the "heart" of the program
- It will be a place gathering Jasło residents of all ages and professions, who share their will to develop competences, hunger for knowledge and readiness to change Jasło
- The Center is a place that includes an interactive industrial museum, experimental laboratories for children and youth (nature, mathematics), a social activity workshop - the "home" of NGOs in Jasło, the seat of the Jasło Scientific Society, a coworking zone
- There they will find their "place", among others Jaso Science League, Children's University and the University of Third Age
- The Center will serve social change and build a local education development center for all.