

## **Accessibility in Gothenburg**

Three decisions in 2020 to strengthening the accessibility

The Educating City leaves no one behind November 29<sup>th</sup> 2021

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# Welcome to a sustainable city











## **Gothenburg**Sustainable everyday life





3,900 people receive care at retirement homes



7,800 people receive home help



4,400
people with disabilities receive support and service





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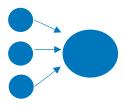
Sustainable city – open to the world



## **Accessibility in Gothenburg**

# Three decisions in 2020 to strengthening the accessibility

- Equality in measures by centralisation of administration
- New program with strategies
- New Disability Ombudsman







The City of Gothenburg's program for full participation for people with disabilities 2021

# The City of Gothenburg's program for full participation for people with disabilities 2021 - 2026



- Applies to all committees (administrations) and boards (companies)
- Link to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- Connection to national disability policy goals
- Priority strategies in the program to achieve the goals
- More focus on collaboration between 60 administrations and companies
- Feedback via 42 indicators. Base measurement 2020, follow-up 2022, 2024 and 2026



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### 10 areas of Rights



- The right to:
- 1. An independent life
- 2. Information and communication
- 3. Democratic participation
- 4. A secure life
- 5. Best possible health
- 6. Education
- 7. Work and employment
- 8. A home that works based on needs
- 9. Be able to move around and use indoor and outdoor environments
- 10. Meaningful leisure





### No 3, The right to democratic participation

#### Goals to achieve,

• People with disabilities can exercise their democratic rights, are involved and have influence on equal terms with others.

#### **Strategies**

- The city's activities shall ensure that people with disability can vote and continuously influence the city development on equal terms with others.
- The city's activities shall enable people with Disability can participate in associations and other social life on equal terms with others.

# No 9, Be able to move around and use indoor and outdoor environments



#### Goals to achieve

 People with disabilities can move and use all of the city's indoor and outdoor environments on equal terms with others. The right to be able to move in and use Gothenburg's indoor and outdoor environments

#### **Strategies**

- The city's activities shall apply and set requirements for universal design, urban planning and developments of the city's indoor and outdoor environments.
- The city's operations must remedy easily remedied obstacles in indoor and outdoor environments.
- The city's operations must ensure access to flexible and available transport so that people
  with disabilities can move on equal terms with others.





### **Disability Ombudsman**

- The Ombudsman works on behalf of the City Council to:
- Increase knowledge of accessibility and participation in the city's administration and companies
- Ensure that the program for full participation will be implemented
- Perform external monitoring
- Report shortcomings and / or suggest measures
- Report annually to City Council
- Does not handle individual cases,



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