

MUNICIPALITY INFO



Sievi is a municipality in Finland located in the southwestern part of the Northern Ostrobothnia region, on the border of the Central Ostrobothnia region, in Oulu South. The municipality is home to about 5,000 people and covers an area of 800.56 km², of which 13.42 km² are lakes and rivers. The population density is 6.33 inhabitants / km². Sievi's neighboring municipalities are Haapajärvi, Kalajoki, Kannus, Lestijärvi, Nivala, Reisjärvi, Toholampi and Ylivieska.

Sievi is known for its low unemployment rate. According to a survey based on municipal statistics for 2015, Sievi is the second most industrialized municipality in Finland after Pyhäntä: 45.6 per cent of the Sievi inhabitants make their living from industry. In 1998, Sievi was selected as the most creative municipality in Finland by Keke, the Finnish Federation of Inventors.

The municipality of Sievi was founded in 1867.

In Sievi, nature and services are close by

In Sievi you can enjoy outdoor activities in pure nature all year round. There are hiking trails of various lengths and campfire sites for both nature walkers and active fitness enthusiasts. The Maasydän tourist area in particular offers a wonderful setting for a holiday for the whole family. The clear water lake, the frisbee golf course, the Urjanlinna dance pavilion and hiking trails give good reason for a longer holiday. There is an observation tower and a resting place on the Huuhankallio path that starts from Maasydän. The observation tower offers magnificent views for hikers.

SIEVI RENTAL HOMES/SIEVIN VUOKRAKODIT

Sievin Vuokrakodit offers residents comfortable and modernly furnished rental homes in a quiet and safe living environment in the central part of Sievi. All our rental homes have water circulating underfloor heating, mechanical ventilation and a spacious and functional

floor plan. At the end of 2019, a comprehensive fiber-optic internet network was built to almost all of our homes, enabling a fast and reliable network connection for both entertainment and teleworking. Each apartment has a parking space and a storage room. The properties as well as the individual homes have been well maintained and renovated over the years and we will also continue down that road. Satisfied and long-term residents are our most important resource and the best advertisement for our work!

Sievi Rental Homes

Sievin Vuokrakodit (Kiinteistö Oy Sievin Jussi) is a rental company owned by the municipality of Sievi. The company owns 241 rental apartments in the town center of Sievi. The rental houses are Arava-funded, ie financed with state support.

The Ara (Housing Finance and Development Center) directs and supervises the operations of owners of residential buildings built with funds borrowed with state support. The purpose of guidance and supervision is to ensure that state support is targeted for residents and that the activities of the rental housing community comply with regulations, ordinances and guidelines.

The company rents apartments for non-profit purposes on a cost-effective basis. The cost principle means that the rent charged is at most, the amount required to cover the expenses arising from good property management.

River Valley Fiber-optic Network Cooperative (Jokilaaksojen Kuituverkko-osuuskunta)

River Valley Fiber Network Cooperative, or Jokiverkko is a cooperative established by its member municipalities. Designed to provide comprehensive, low-cost, interruption-free and secure communications. It is a non-profit, fiber-optic network company owned by its member municipalities that supports the vitality of the region.

Fiber optic capacities have been installed in Sievi's rental homes so that every resident can have reliable fiber optic for their own use. You know that through fiber optics your connection is private, just for your use. A fiber optic connection is symmetrical, meaning it is just as fast in both directions, you send or receive large files, and your connection won't get tied up. For more information on fiber optics, go to the website: www.jokiverkko.fi.

You can start using fiber optics by placing an order for a connection from Jokiverkko. Place your order at the Jokiverkko's website, <https://jokiverkko.fi/liittyman-tilaaminen/>.

EDUCATION



Sievi invests in schools!

One of Sievi's strengths is its well-maintained school network in relation to the population. The many school yards offer versatile sporting opportunities.

The education system provides students with basic knowledge and skills for life and continued education. Above all, the co-operation of schools and homes means common educational goals. The aim is to support the growth of students into positive and cooperative citizens.

The aim is to maintain morning and afternoon activities as supportive activities for parents. The activities support educational work at school and at home, promote the well-being of children, prevent exclusion, and increase children participation.

The Sievi high school students will be offered compulsory driving and theory lessons for the driving license (B), funded by the municipality, from the beginning of the autumn semester 2021. The benefit applies to students starting their first year in the fall of 2021 and beyond.

EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION



Early childhood education is part of the Finnish education system and an important stage in the path of a child's growth and learning. Early childhood education refers to the planned and purposeful program of a child's upbringing, teaching and care, with a special emphasis on pedagogy. Early childhood education is provided in day care centers and family day care, as well as other early childhood education, such as club activities.

The role of early childhood education is to support the holistic growth, development and learning of children in collaboration with caregivers. Early childhood education promotes equality for children and prevents exclusion. The knowledge and skills learned in early childhood education strengthen children's inclusion and active participation in society. In addition, early childhood education supports caregivers in their educational work and enables them to participate in work life or study.

Value basis for Early childhood education

THE INTRINSIC VALUE OF CHILDHOOD

Every child is unique and valuable just as he or she is and has the right to be heard, seen, considered and understood.

GROWING AS A PERSON

The staff supports the growth of children into humanity, characterized by the pursuit of truth, goodness and beauty, as well as justice and peace.

THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

The child has the right for a good education, care and supportive feedback. The child has the right to play and belong to the group.

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

The child should have the opportunity to develop their skills and make choices regardless of gender, origin, cultural background or other personal reasons.

FAMILY DIVERSITY

The child's family identity and family relationships are supported so that each child can experience that their own family is respected.

A HEALTHY AND SUSTAINABLE LIFESTYLE

The role of early childhood education is to guide children towards lifestyles that promote health and well-being. The child is offered opportunities to develop their emotional skills and aesthetic thinking. (Summary of Early Childhood Education Plan Basics 2018: 20-21)