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FEAD is a new European fund for the 2014–2020 funding period. The Fund for European Aid to the Most Deprived (FEAD) supports EU countries' actions to provide the most deprived with material assistance or social inclusion measures, such as guidance and support to help people out of poverty.

The Swedish programme supports non-material assistance to the most deprived. Denmark, the Netherlands and Germany have also chosen this direction.<sup>1</sup> The other member states have chosen to provide material assistance.<sup>2</sup>

In Sweden FEAD amounts to approximately 10 million euros (in current currency): 7.8 million euros from the EU and 1.2 million euros from the Swedish state. The fund aims to support socially excluded people, particularly non-economically active EU-EEA citizens staying in Sweden temporarily and without the right to assistance from the social services. In Sweden the fund facilitates activities that offer knowledge about the Swedish society, as well as activities that inform about how to take care of your health and prevent illnesses.

<sup>1</sup>These four countries have chosen the direction of the Fead programme II, Social inclusion.

<sup>2</sup>The countries that give out material assistance have chosen programme I, Food and shelter.



The number of participants planned for FEAD in Sweden is at least 700. The target group counts up to approximately 4000 individuals.

Asylum seekers and newly arrived migrants from non-EU countries are not part of FEAD's target group since they are covered by laws regulating the asylum and integration process and financial allowances. Newly arrived migrants with a residence permit or EU citizens with a residence permit can instead be supported in projects within the Swedish European Social Fund.



## FEAD in Sweden focuses on two areas

– social inclusion and information about how to take care of your health and prevent illnesses

Social inclusion covers information such as:

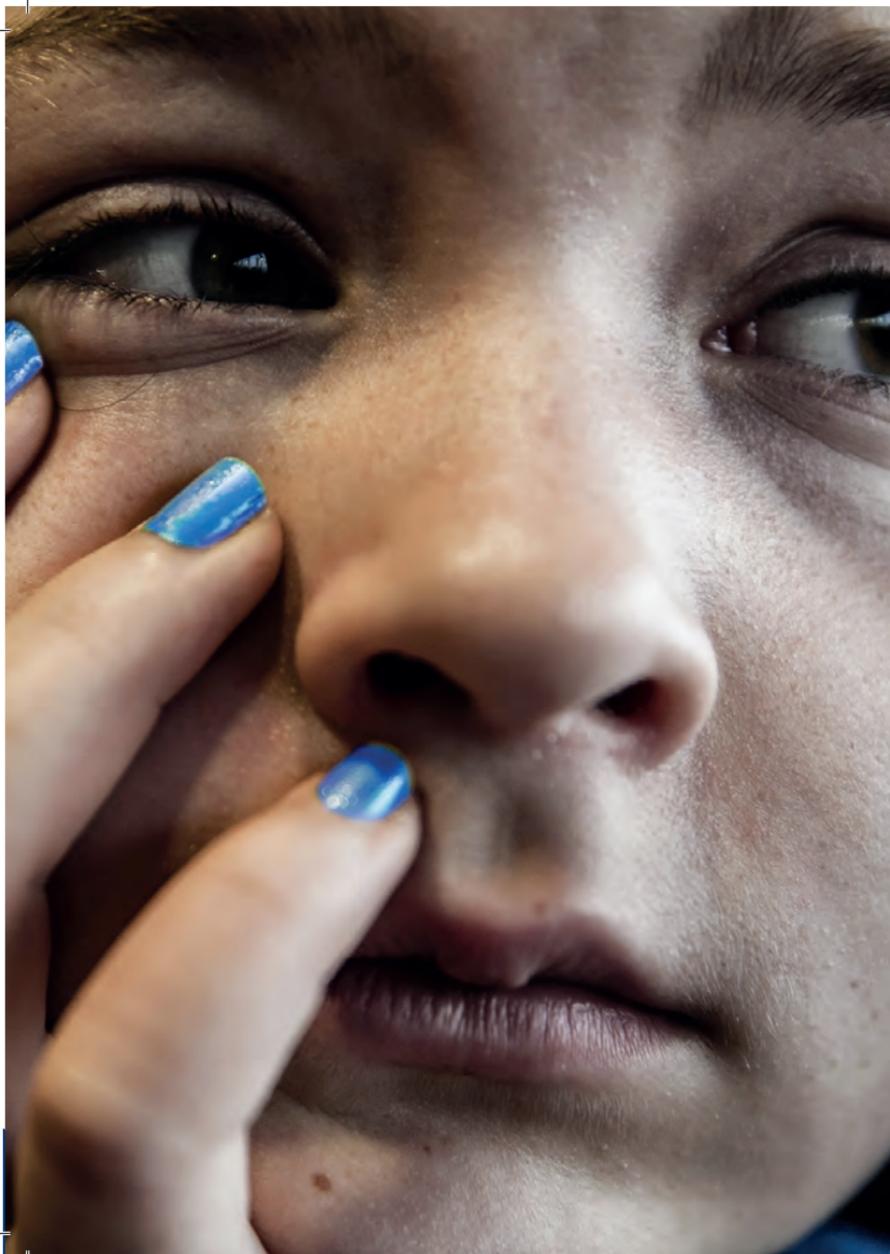
- guidance about where to find shelter, showers and toilets
- rights and responsibilities in Sweden.

The information can be verbal or written and can be given in the languages of the participants.

Information about how to take care of your health and prevent illnesses includes actions such as supporting the participants to maintain their

- personal hygiene
- daily routines

The projects are encouraged to inform, coordinate or implement actions together with other organizations.



## Equal opportunities for all

The so-called horizontal principles should be an integral part of FEAD management and included in all projects – from planning, implementing and monitoring to evaluating. These guiding principles are divided into gender equality, non-discrimination and accessibility.

- Gender equality – equal opportunities for women and men.
- Non-discrimination – no discrimination based on sex, race, ethnic origin, religion or creed, functional impairment, age or sexual orientation.
- Accessibility – improved accessibility for people with functional impairments.

## The Swedish ESF Council

The government has given the Swedish ESF Council the mission to manage FEAD during the programming period 2014–2020. The mission for 2015–2020 is to announce calls for project funding and to monitor and evaluate the impact of the various projects. It is done in dialogue with the Ministry of Social Affairs.



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