### Project title:
**Educational and prophylactic project EKO Patrol**

### Main theme:
Building a safe living space for residents of Chorzów, free of any criminal, ecological or health threats.

### Project purpose and outcome (in two sentences):
Sensitization of the inhabitants of Chorzów to the problems of safety, ecology and care for animals.

### Project submitter (Member State):
Poland

### Project leader(s):
The project was created as part of the Chorzów Coalition for Security, as part of the environmental policy of the City of Chorzów

**Project leaders:** Kierownikprojektu
Police Headquarters in Chorzów

### Project partner(s):
City Hall of Chorzów
Shelter for homeless animals in Chorzów
The "Psia Chata"shelter in Chorzów

### Project description:
The "Eco Patrol" project is an innovative on its scale approach to security through a combination of typical prevention in the prevention of crime and threats, education of safe attitudes with environmental issues care for the environment and animal protection and pro-health prophylaxis. Care for residents and improving the quality of life of the city authorities in Chorzów resulted in a multi-faceted approach to safety, from education in safe attitudes in contact with animals, education in the field of animal protection, waste segregation to ecological hybrid police cars purchased by the project to patrol streets by police officers from Chorzów and the purchase of an opacimeter, a special device for measuring pollutants emitted by cars, which will allow policemen to eliminate vehicles poisoning the environment from roads. Chorzów focuses on eco, using the potential of its location, in the center of the Silesian agglomeration, with its green lungs - multi-hectare areas of the Silesian Park, where eco-policemen perform service on horseback and in bicycle patrols.

### Objectives project:
The objective of the project is to shape pro-ecological attitudes, care for nature and animals, acquire the ability to safely behave in contact with animals and to shape a positive image of the policeman and his service. An innovative element of the project is a multi-faceted approach to the issue of safety and human functioning in the present world. The project is based on two pillars: education and action. Education combines traditional preventive elements, for example learning safe attitudes in contact with an aggressive animal, caring for and caring for animals, animal protection, and educating the need for waste segregation and protection of the atmosphere. Program participants will get
acquainted with the specificity of the service of a Horse Constable officer and a guide of a service dog. The project’s essence is the use of the educational room at the Horse Riding Station in Chorzów, which naturally strengthens the contact between residents and nature, promotes education of pro-ecological attitudes, providing them with unique, long-lasting impressions. The preventive content transmitted is strengthened by contact with animals - police dogs and horses, and all this takes place in the fairy-tale scenery of the eco-station.

Project outcome:
The effects of the program are primarily to sensitize the participants and acquire the ability to respect and care for the environment in the aspect of broadly understood security. Educational effects include awareness of animal threats and implementation of safety rules in contact with animals, acquisition of the ability to recognize emotions human and animal, shaping behavior skills in contact with an aggressive dog, sensitizing to the fate of animals, learning the principles of caring for and caring for animals. The youngest participants in the Eco-Patrol project will get to know Segreguś, the Chorzów guide to the waste world, the protagonist of the educational book, from which children learn how to properly segregate rubbishes, why waste containers have colors and and what waste should be thrown into a specific container. During the implementation of the program, particular emphasis is put on the use of activating methods: demonstrations and exercises, and contact with live animals - police dogs and horses. Such educational and preventive activities allow children to look at animals from a different perspective. Involvement in the program of younger children and seniors allows for intergenerational integration, bringing great educational values.

Start and end project:
2018 – 2022

Timescales and key milestone dates:

Funding (total budget and type of funding (e.g. ISEC, EUCPN Fund,...)):
The project is financed by the Chorzów Coalition for Security and the City Hall in Chorzów.

material outlays:

- device and equipment of the educational room at the Police Horse Riding Station in Chorzów
- equipment of the Police Horse Riding Station in Chorzów in containers for waste segregation
- the right setting for horses, painting the stables;
- Equipping a parkur for horses with a park set
- purchase of office supplies needed for the performance of artworks by the participants, and the completion of a knowledge quiz;
- purchase of small preventive gadgets for each participant - 800 pieces / year.
- printing educational books "With Segreguś around the world of waste"- 800 pieces / year.
personal expenditure:
- conducting lessons - police, guides of policedogs and horse team;
- program coordinator - a policeman of the Social Prevention Team of the Municipal Police Command in Chorzów
- employees of the Department of Health Policy and Social Activation of the City Hall of Chorzów
- PR employees of the City Hall of Chorzów
- educators and teachers of school groups
- family with children, seniors

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