

ELECTION PLATFORM

FOR SENIORS



Socialdemokraterna

A MUNICIPALITY FOR SENIORS

Skellefteå Kommun should be a place where you thrive, no matter your age. Growing old in Skellefteå should be safe and help and support available to all in need. At the same time everyday life should be fun and exciting.

A promise of extensive welfare

Elderly care in Skellefteå has a history of being more extensive than comparable municipalities. This is a political prioritization within our model for social democracy and our focus on social sustainability. We are sometimes criticized for having extensive costs and too great commitments in our welfare system. But as social democrats we disagree. Our promise is to keep providing more. More capacity in our nursing homes, a large portion of our municipality budget towards an extensive welfare and domiciliary care that provides all the care that is required. We also know that a healthy work force in care makes for healthy citizens. Hence we need to provide a good work environment.

Technology for the future

We have come a long way in welfare technology, not as a replacement for our great nursing staff but a tool to improve our care. With the help of home cameras, we can avoid unnecessary awakenings and not disrupt the night's sleep for those in need of nightly attention. With video chats, social care alarms, automated drug delivery systems and more we can strengthen the sense of safety and independence for seniors. Welfare technology can also improve the work environment for our staff and free up time for more facetime with citizens strengthening possibilities to provide care after needs.

Culture and leisure for seniors

Leisure and cultural offerings should be available for everyone, in our whole municipality. Enter Sara Kulturhus, with its range of activities with everything from theater to library, concerts, museums and restaurants it will be an amazing venue. With the help of study associations, nonprofit organizations, local libraries and other venues activities should be available for everyone, within a reasonable distance. Transportation services for seniors should be a natural part of municipal services.

CAMPAIGN PROMISES

**During this term of office
we will strive for:**

Principal promise: Elderly care should remain being offered solely directly by the municipality and not for-profit enterprises. All the resources supplied towards care will be used for actual care, and not profit.

- A comprehensive package of measures to improve the work environment for employees in our social care workplaces. Focus should be scheduling, freedom of action and health.
- A package of measures to combat loneliness. It should include the financing of meeting places for seniors and other citizens with free time during the day and be available in multiple parts of the municipality.
- The municipality will provide safety shoes where applicable for the staff in social care workplaces
- An increased staff in our social care workplaces.

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one giant leap



“This platform has a lot of important campaign promises in it. But you have to remember that there are campaign promises in all the other platforms that also will be beneficial for seniors.

Public transport, road maintenance, libraries, sports activities, lifelong learning: all of our platforms are supposed to benefit seniors.”

Wilma Fallgren-Ahlström - SSU Skellefteå