

# ELECTION PLATFORM



**SSU**

# A CITY YOUNG PEOPLE RELOCATE TO

Throughout the ages young people have relocated to places that can provide housing, education and a lively social life. Skellefteå will now be one of those places. Instead of the emigration of our youth, we now expect an influx of young people, as we can offer the jobs and education of the future.

## **An equal school system**

All young people deserve equal opportunities in the school system, without segregation and discrimination. Students shouldn't be held back by economic or social conditions. All children should be equal and social standing shouldn't be a factor. The school system is important, and the foundation of good schooling is good teachers. We need to raise the pedagogic competency in teachers to enable their ability to help students with the support they need.

## **Economic equality**

A segregated childhood makes for a future of economic injustice. Poor financial conditions makes getting work and a place to live harder after finishing college or university. This reinforces economic and social divides in society.

## **A greater variety of higher education**

We in the SSU strive for more people finding Skellefteå a city worth living in and calling their home. To accomplish this we need a greater variety of higher education and university programs. This would attract young people eager to start their lives as adults and acquire new skills. Alongside universities we want to make sure that the skills we are promoting match the jobs of the future. If we accomplish this we will attract more people to live and work in Skellefteå.

# ...AND WHERE YOUNG PEOPLE STAY

Beyond housing, education and employment young people have to be able to have a rich life in Skellefteå. The cultural scene is evolving and the days when national artists skip Skellefteå in their tours is history. At the same time Skellefteå remains a great place for sports and exercise with modern facilities, a wide variety of sport and leisure associations and the best hockey team in the country!

## **Sustainability for the future**

The climate is important to us. We must preserve this planet we walk and for future generations to have the same opportunities as us we must take action. A big piece in the climate puzzle is that business need to become more environmentally friendly and sustainable. We want Skellefteå's emergent green industry to be an example when it comes to dealing with climate change and renewable energy for the future. The municipality-owned Skellefteå Kraft has a big part to play in this.

## **Varied leisure time for young people**

Young people having access to fun activities after school or work is important to us. According to research, a wide variety of leisure activities in a community increases young people's wellbeing - research shows that engaged young people are happier and more alert. To enable community, wellbeing and shared development for young people we also want to enable special interest groups and after-school activities in high school.

## **Rich cultural life**

In Skellefteå we champion a sustainable future and a cohesive community to benefit equality and solidarity. Our cultural life in Skellefteå is important and should continue to be promoted and funded as it has the last few years. Everyone should be able to attend, experience and be creative in a variety of cultural activities.

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## one giant leap



“I don't think it has ever been a better time to be young in Skellefteå than now! There is work for young people, as well as education and leisure activities.

But we can do even better! In the future Skellefteå will be a city for young people. A city that young people relocate to and where young people stay.”

Wilma Fallgren-Ahlström - SSU Skellefteå



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