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HOUSING AND APARTMENTS

Long-term apartments are usually rented unfurnished, but they do include fitted kitchen cupboards, wardrobes, a refrigerator and a stove (often also a dishwasher). It is advisable to reserve enough time for looking for rented accommodation. Have a chat with your new local colleagues and/or friends for tips on shops and services, schools, childcare, etc.

For long-term rented accommodation, see for example, the following pages:

karrykartano.fi

vuokraovi.com/vuokra-asunnot/Kurikka

TRANSPORT

There are a few bus connections to the nearby towns of Seinäjoki and Kauhajoki and even to further locations, but as the buses do not run very frequently, a car is recommended while living here.

Bus and train timetables are available at:

matkahuolto.fi/passengers/timetables

vr.fi/en

FREETIME

In Finland, leisure time is often spent with hobbies. Kurikka offers a wide range of different hobbies which you can enjoy either by yourself or with others.

There are three libraries and a library bus serving the area. Libraries also arrange events and activities catering for all ages. kurikankirjastot.fi (FI)

The Adult Education Centre offers courses from languages to music, cooking, and many others. uusi.opistopalvelut.fi/kurikka/en

Swimminghalls in Kurikka: Molskis is located at Keskuspuistikko 24 and Polskis at Torikuja 9 in Jalasjärvi. During summer, you can go to beaches and swim in lakes or in the sea nearby! There are also two lidos in Jurva: at Uimalantie 14, Jurva, and Mäntylänkuja 36, Närvijoki. kurikka.fi/uimahallit (FI)

The local sports clubs offer a variety of activities from soccer to cheerleading and basketball to ice hockey and many others. There are also a few gyms in Kurikka. kurikka.fi/everyday-life/#leisure

There are also **several nature** trails in the area. kurikka.fi/luontopolut/

WORKING IN FINLAND

Reliability, punctuality, and equality are valued in Finland. They are underlying values in Finnish culture as well as in working life. There are a lot of work opportunities available in Finland. For your benefit, employment laws and agreements determine what the rights and obligations of workers are. The laws define, for example, working hours, holidays, sick pay, the terms of termination and minimum wages.

If you become unemployed, the TE Office will help you in the search for a new job or in applying for training. In addition, you will be advised and guided on starting your own business. Source: welcomeoffice.fi/en/south-ostrobothnia/etela-pohjanmaa-tyo-eng

Useful websites when searching for a job:

infofinland.fi/work-and-enterprise/finnish-working-culture

tyomarkkinatori.fi/en

jobsinfofinland.fi

toimistot.te-palvelut.fi



IMMIGRATION SERVICES

Integration services are offered to all foreigners moving to Kurikka. Please be in touch if you need further information on Finnish social services, work, training, health care or living here in general.

Immigration Coordinator

Pirneskoski Mirva
Formu, Keskuspuistikko 14, 61300 Kurikka
Tel. 050 569 8914
Email mirva.pirneskoski@kurikka.fi

Please make an appointment to ensure flexible service.

WELCOME 2EP

Welcome2EP is a guidance and counselling service operating in Southern Ostrobothnia for people who have moved to Finland from another country.

[welcomeoffice.fi/
etela-pohjanmaa/kurikka](http://welcomeoffice.fi/etela-pohjanmaa/kurikka)

LEARNING FINNISH

Learning the local language will help you to integrate into Finland, to find work and things to do in your leisure time.

uusi.opistopalvelut.fi/kurikka/en/

[infofinland.fi/en/finnish-and-swedish/
finnish-online](http://infofinland.fi/en/finnish-and-swedish/finnish-online)

HEALTH CARE

There are three health centres in the area: one in Kurikka, one in Jalasjärvi and one in Jurva. To make an appointment in Kurikka or Jurva, please call +358 (0)6 4585 301. For an appointment in Jalasjärvi, please call +358 (0)6 4585 101. In an emergency, always call 112.

[hyvaep.fi/palvelu/laakaran-ja-
hoitajan-vastaanotto/](http://hyvaep.fi/palvelu/laakaran-ja-hoitajan-vastaanotto/)



Welcome to Live in Kurikka!

SERVICES FOR NEWCOMERS IN BRIEF



Located in the landscape of Kyröjoki river, our town offers a life of dreams. Plenty of services, a wide variety of hobbies and a functional lifestyle with diverse and invigorating nature all around! Our main employing sectors are milk and beef production, and the food, metal and furniture industries.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, SEE:

[kurikka.fi/information-for-immigrants/
welcomeoffice.fi/en/](http://kurikka.fi/information-for-immigrants/welcomeoffice.fi/en/)

kurikka.fi/everyday-life


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