

# BSFS project interventions in a glance

How can urban security be co produced?



### Baseline assessment

- **Understanding** how different sectors of the population regard the security situation by evaluating the quantitative and qualitative elements of crime, as well as different factors related to citizens' insecurity in Piraeus
- Citizens in Piraeus believe that urban insecurity is one of the city's main problems, which contributes to feelings of hostility in the public space and the breaking down of social cohesion
- This baseline assessment provides the **relevant local stakeholders** with up-todate knowledge of the local situation in terms of crime and insecurity
- Indicators:



Perception of safety



Fear of crime



Individual participation in community-based crime policy



interest in participating in community-based crime policy



Citizens' trust in local authorities with regard to urban security matters

- Focuses on citizens, shop owners, and local employees
- Results provided crucial information for the Local Council for Crime Prevention of Piraeus and the creation of the Victim Support Unit

### **Local Council for Crime Prevention**



Its work is based on data related to the feeling of insecurity as expressed by citizens through the baseline assessment



Brings together local security actors



It is an advisory body whose role is to give guidance and recommendations





It supports the police and facilitates the cooperation of the local authorities with the local and national police forces





It supports local security actors in co-creating and implementing security strategies and prevention measures



It supports the work of the **Victim Support Unit** 



The LCCP's activities are, for instance, built on the use of an innovative ICT tool, the Collaborative Urban Risk Management (CURIM) platform, which detects physical and cyber threats and assesses their risk

# CURiM (Collaborative Urban Risk Management platform)

• It approaches security through participation: city as a network whose citizens detect and report risks



- **Citizens** can use it to evaluate urban risks, report incivilities, evaluate an offense or crime they have witnessed and communicate with other citizens
- It provides policymakers of the Municipality and the Local Council for Crime Prevention (of which the local police is a member) with up-to-date information regarding the local security situation and enables the creation of tailored, evidence-based policies, and to visualise risks through a geospatial mapping

# Victim Support Unit

- The baseline assessment allowed for a comprehensive understanding of victimisation factors and to design the creation of the **Victim Support Unit**, which **provides psychological**, **social and legal advice**
- The Local Council for Crime Prevention members contributed to the creation of the Victim Support Unit so it can respond with accuracy to identified needs in Piraeus. For an enhanced and sustainable impact, both entities work closely, bringing together the local security stakeholders
- Its action is based on three principles:







CONFIDENTIALITY

**ETHICS** 

DATA PROTECTION

• It provides **assistance services to victims of offenses and crimes** (psychological support, legal counseling, information, referrals to other reputable services)

### **Social Interventions**



• Students awareness sessions on bullying and cyber-threats



• **Students** training sessions on the use of the CURiM app

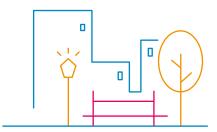


• Local shop owners training sessions to protect themselves from repeated targeted crimes



• Advisory meetings with citizens of Piraeus to get insights into local issues of crime and security, and to hear about what citizens propose to improve the quality of life in their city

## Spatial Interventions



- Implementation of practices based of needs expressed by Piraeus inhabitants in the baseline assessment **baseline assessment**
- More targeted practices
- Renovation of public spaces
- Restoration playgrounds



# Project Partners





















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