

Information center for Homecoming Lithuanians

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Short history of the Center

- **In 1996 The Lithuanian Parliament and US Lithuanian Community Commission adopted a Resolution on the importance of an Information center for Lithuanians abroad.**

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- A separate Coordination Commission on Integration of Diaspora into Life of the Republic of Lithuania was established the Government in 1997 and was made of the representatives of major World Lithuanian Communities and representatives of the state institutions.

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- **The Information Center for Homecoming Lithuanians** was established by the joint efforts of the Lithuanian-American Community, Inc., the Seimas (Parliament) and the Government of the Republic of Lithuania in 1998.

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- The Commission on Integration had its wide program on Diaspora homecoming and integration into all spheres of life. The Information Center was committed to realize the program under the supervision of this Commission.

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- In 2007 the Coordination Commission on Integration of Diaspora into Life of the Republic of Lithuania was dissolved and the activities of the Information Center started being coordinated with newly established Commission on Regulation of Economic Migration.

OBJECTIVES

- . The purpose of the Information Center for Homecoming Lithuanians is to provide information and coordinate services for Lithuanians all over the world.

INFORMATION SERVICES AND COUNSELING

- Persons wishing to settle in Lithuania on a permanent basis can get extensive information about citizenship, health care, taxes, transportation, customs, housing and other adaptation matters.

OUR CLIENTS

- The Information Center assists interested individuals and families as well as organisations in this process, cooperating with the responsible institutions in the Republic of Lithuania.

CLIENTS AND AREAS OF INTEREST

- The Center provides information to everyone interested in living in Lithuania about the opportunities to participate in professional, scientific, cultural, tourist, and other activities. It also collects and publishes news on current events, conferences, teaching courses, camps, etc.

OTHER FUNCTIONS

- The Center acquaints Lithuanian institutions with plans for cooperation and other proposals from Lithuanians living abroad as well as their requests. Based on its experience, the Center makes proposals for making amendments to laws and their implementing acts that would help simplify and promote the integration of Lithuanians from abroad into the life of Lithuania.

OTHER SERVICES

- Daily e-news bulletin on political, cultural and sports events in Lithuania to Lithuanian mass media and individuals abroad.
- Interpretation services.
- Other.