

In implementing the objectives set out in the Statutes of the Lithuanian Jewish (Litvak) Community (LJC), the LJC Council approved the attached Action Plan on 13 September 2025.

1. SOCIAL WELFARE

Priorities:

- *Ensure continued support for existing clients of the Social Programs Department.*
- *Improve the quality of services provided and strengthen feedback mechanisms with beneficiaries.*
- *Expand and diversify the range of services to better meet beneficiaries' needs.*

Activities:

Saul Kagan Welfare Center:

- *Assistance to seniors:*
 - *Holocaust survivors (NV);*
 - *Persons born after World War II (NNV).*
- *Support for community members with disabilities.*
- *Assistance to the Righteous Among the Nations (those who rescued Jews during the Holocaust).*
- *Involvement of community members in charitable activities supporting socially vulnerable individuals.*
- *Participation of Social Program Department clients in socialization activities: clubs, traditional Jewish celebrations, camps.*
- *Operation of the Social Affairs Committee responding promptly to community needs.*
- *Organization of consultations, meetings, and seminars for Social Program Department staff, clients, and their family members.*

2. EDUCATION – CULTURE – RELIGIOUS AWARENESS – COMMUNITY BUILDING

Priorities:

- *Engage as many community members as possible in LŽB educational, cultural, and religious awareness programs, with particular attention to preschool and school-age children and their parents.*
- *Increase youth and family participation in community programs.*
- *Expand opportunities for learning Yiddish and Hebrew.*
- *Strengthen cooperation with LŽB member organizations in implementing programs.*
- *Celebrate the 35th anniversary of the LŽB, enhancing the visibility of the Jewish community in Lithuanian society.*

Activities:

- *Children's clubs (Dubi, Dubi Mishpocha, Ilan, Knafaim).*
- *Young families' parenting and tradition club; Shabbaton events.*
- *Seasonal children's camps.*
- *Jewish scout activities.*
- *Israeli dance club.*

- *Chess tournaments.*
- *Art school programs for adults and children.*
- *Celebration of religious and traditional holidays for all age groups.*
- *Events presenting books, films, creative works, personalities, and Jewish stories.*
- *Bar and Bat Mitzvah celebrations.*
- *Jewish calendar publication.*
- *Preparation and implementation of the LJC 35th anniversary program, including:*
 - *A formal commemoration event with community members, partners, and representatives of government institutions.*
 - *An exhibition or display dedicated to the history and achievements of the LŽB.*
 - *Special cultural events, concerts, discussions, and educational activities related to the jubilee.*
 - *A public communication campaign (media, social networks, partner channels).*

3. REPRESENTATION IN LITHUANIA AND ABROAD

Priorities:

- *Strengthen engagement and cooperation with Litvaks living abroad, particularly in Israel.*
- *Actively participate in drafting and implementing legislation related to property restitution and Jewish heritage protection.*
- *Actively engage in international Jewish organizations.*
- *Strengthen measures to combat antisemitism.*
- *Advocate for the extension of support to victims of Nazi crimes and their descendants (the “Second Generation” of Holocaust survivors).*

Activities:

- *Participation in the activities of the World Jewish Congress and European Jewish Congress.*
- *Cooperation with international Jewish organizations and their branches.*
- *Initiation of a national government plan to combat antisemitism.*
- *Active participation of LŽB in human rights protection and in the Lithuanian Human Rights Organizations Coalition.*
- *Participation in OSCE and IHRA initiatives.*
- *Participation in the European Association for the Preservation and Promotion of Jewish Culture and Heritage (AEPJ).*
- *Cooperation with the Government of Lithuania, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and IHRA to ensure proper commemoration of Holocaust victims and key human rights anniversaries.*
- *Cooperation with the Department of National Minorities under the Government of Lithuania.*
- *Collaboration with the Government, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and historians to commemorate Lithuanian diplomats who contributed to the rescue of Jews.*
- *Cooperation with the Ministry of Education, Science and Sports to include additional Holocaust-related materials in national education programs.*

- *Cooperation with the Ministry of the Interior to strengthen the legal response of law enforcement to hate crimes and hate speech, and to raise public awareness regarding these issues.*
- *Review of Lithuania's legal obligations regarding the protection of national minorities; preparation and submission of an alternative report (UPR) to the UN Human Rights Council on the legal and factual situation of Lithuanian Jews.*
- *Expand cooperation with Lithuanian diaspora communities in Europe and worldwide to foster joint initiatives.*

4. PRESERVATION AND PROMOTION OF HERITAGE

Priorities:

- *Maintenance, restoration, and promotion of Jewish heritage buildings owned or managed by the LŽB; initiation of cooperation projects ensuring proper use of these spaces.*
- *Coordination of efforts to preserve and commemorate old Jewish cemeteries, mass murder sites, synagogues, and other heritage objects; representation of community interests before responsible institutions.*
- *Initiation, preparation, and coordination of informational materials on Jewish heritage.*
- *Elevating the preservation of the remains of the Great Synagogue of Vilnius to the status of a national heritage project.*
- *Active participation in the European Route of Jewish Heritage.*

Activities:

- *Ensuring legal protection for Jewish heritage sites (cemeteries, mass murder sites, synagogues, etc.).*
- *Maintenance, restoration, and revitalization of Jewish heritage buildings.*
- *Monitoring and ensuring proper upkeep of old Jewish cemeteries and Holocaust mass murder sites.*
- *Coordination of initiatives to commemorate historical Jewish locations.*
- *Development and dissemination of informational and promotional materials on Jewish heritage.*

5. COMMUNITY SECURITY

Priorities:

- *Strengthening community members' awareness regarding security issues.*
- *Creation of a digital information and monitoring system.*
- *Ensuring physical and electronic protection of Jewish sites (community centers, synagogues, schools, kindergartens) and events.*
- *Establishing cooperation with national security and law enforcement institutions.*
- *Collaboration with international organizations on security enhancement.*
- *Development of a volunteer security network.*
- *Organization of an effective monitoring system for security situations and regional community engagement.*

Activities:

- *Establishment of a crisis management group.*
- *Involvement of a larger number of volunteers in community security efforts.*
- *Creation of a dedicated security staff position at the Jewish kindergarten.*
- *Submission of funding applications for physical and electronic security improvements.*
- *Joint training sessions and meetings with law enforcement officers, experts, and policymakers.*
- *Identification of threats, risk assessment, and information sharing with responsible security institutions.*
- *Organization of a Community Security Seminar.*