



# Lähialuekaveritoiminta - Support for Integration with your whole family

Helsinki ● Vantaa ● Kerava

Would you like to meet new people and get to know your neighborhood, city, and its local services, opportunities, and family activities? Are you interested in experiencing Finnish culture, nature, and community? Do you want to learn the Finnish language and explore more about the culture with your kids? Would you like to connect with other families with children nearby or receive support from others during this new phase of your life? Are you looking for fun activities for your whole family to enjoy together? Join our family-friendly program, Lähialuekaveritoiminta, and we will find you your own neighborhood friend or family nearby!



Support for integration



New friends



Get to know your hometown



Finnish language and culture



Activities for the whole family



Culture, art, nature, sports, and trips



## What can the program offer for our family?

Lähialuekaveritoiminta is supported and structured family-friendly program for the whole family to support with integration! With your local friend or friend family, you will explore your neighborhood, its services, culture, sports, and nature — from playgrounds to museums and from the local library to children's events. You will be able to participate in our Multilingual family days, meet other local families with children, and join group outings and family events. You will meet your neighborhood friend or friend family regularly, 10 times over about six months, during which time you can become friends! The neighborhood family-friendly program offers support for integration, activities, new friends, and fun experiences for your family in your own hometown. At the same time, your Finnish language skills, cultural understanding, and knowledge of Finnish society will grow while enjoying fun family activities together!

## How to apply to the program?

Any family who has moved to Finland, lives in Helsinki, Vantaa or Kerava and needs support with integration in the area can apply to the program. You don't need to know Finnish language yet or be familiar with your local area. You can apply directly by filling out the application at [www.yhteisetlapsemme.fi](http://www.yhteisetlapsemme.fi) or with the guidance of your own worker from your local social services. For support with filling out the application and more information, please email us at [lahialue@yhteisetlapsemme.fi](mailto:lahialue@yhteisetlapsemme.fi).

**Join us, and we will find you your very own neighborhood friend or friend family nearby!**