

Welcome to RINKEBY-KISTA



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The City of Stockholm is growing by 15 000 inhabitants per year. This creates major challenges to build new homes, manage transport systems, maintain services and recruit qualified personnel. In Stockholm City Council's Vision "Vision 2030" that was adopted in 2006 you can see an overall picture of the sustainable growing city.

In Sweden there are 290 municipalities that are, among other things, responsible for education from pre-school to upper secondary school, libraries, social care, elderly care, municipal streets and squares, refuse collection, recycling, water and sewage. As well as the municipalities there are 21 county councils and regions that are responsible for healthcare and public transportation.

The national government through parliament enacts laws that regulate the municipal and county/regional authorities. In addition to the Local Government Act and the laws on disclosure and confidentiality these are the Social Services Act, the Education Act and the Health Act.

Municipalities in Sweden are autonomous authorities. Municipalities have the right to levy taxes and in the majority of cases the state cannot interfere in the way the municipalities use the tax revenues. Generally speaking all earners pay municipal tax (circa 30%), however only those earning over circa 3 800 euro/month pay state tax (20-25% of earnings over the state tax threshold).

The municipalities are also responsible for housing and this is generally managed through a housing company wholly owned by the municipality. Rental is a common housing form especially in the larger municipalities (70% of all apartment buildings in Sweden and 46% in Stockholm). Homes for rent are offered by both municipalities and private housing companies.

Stockholm City Council is one of 26 municipalities in the Stockholm County, and is Sweden's largest municipality with 900 000 inhabitants and 40 000 employees. In order for the City to govern closer to the inhabitants a **city district organisation** was created in 1997. The current 14 district councils are responsible for half of the municipal budget and together employ over 18 000 people.

A number of municipal services are delivered by private companies and other organisations either through a "Customer Choice" model or by contract. For example today, over half of all elderly care services are delivered by private actors and approximately a third of all pre-school children use the customer choice model to attend free schools. Each child carries a school voucher that is paid to whichever school the child and parents select.



RINKEBY-KISTA – A CITY DISTRICT IN STOCKHOLM

Rinkeby-Kista is one of 14 city districts. The district consists of four neighbourhoods; Rinkeby, Husby, Akalla and Kista – all built on the Järva field, an area previously used by the Army for military exercises. The Army left Järva in the middle of the 1960s so that Stockholm City Council could develop the area for housing. This became part of the so called "Million Program" (1965 – 1975), a national initiative to build one million homes in ten years in order to end the long and protracted housing shortage in Sweden.

The building of the Rinkeby neighbourhood started in 1968, Husby and Akalla were built in the middle of the 1970s and finally Kista was developed at the end of the 1970s. Today there are over 45 000 inhabitants in the district and over 30 000 people commute in to work primarily in the Kista business area known as "Kista Science City" (Sweden's Silicon Valley) where many of Sweden's most successful and influential companies in the technology and ICT industries are based.

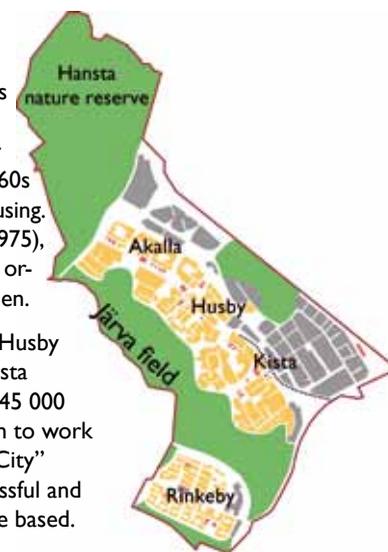
In order to preserve the international reputation, importance and attractiveness of this business area a Vision called "**Vision Kista Science City**" was formulated in the year 2000. The City Council's goal was to create a more city like environment, with integrated street networks, clear boundaries between housing and industry and even a life after office hours. This major redevelopment of streets and housing in Kista that started in 2006 continues even today as a result of that Vision.



"Järva 2030 – a Future Vision Becomes Reality"

In 2006 the **Järva-Lift initiative** was launched, this initiative is Stockholm City Council's long term programme to create a positive social and economic development in the Järva neighbourhoods. After broad consultation in the autumn of 2008 the City Council adopted the **Vision Järva 2030** in the spring of 2009.

The four principal themes are: 1. Good quality housing and a more varied urban environment 2. Safety in the community 3. Improved education and good language training 4. More jobs and enterprise.





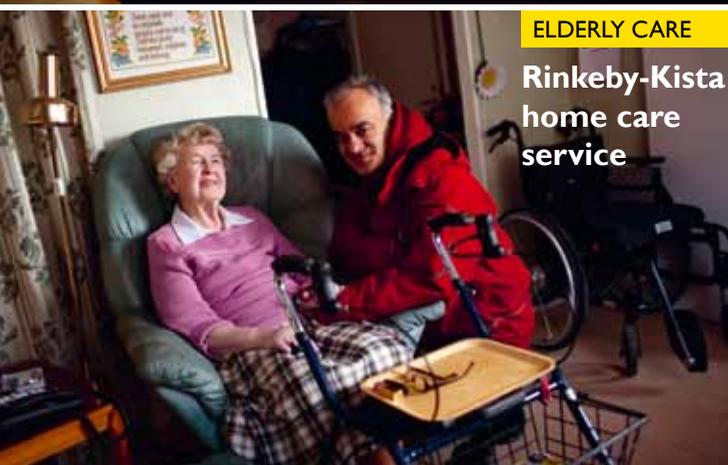
At least one youth centre open every evening year around



Summer jobs for young people



Rinkeby-Kista job training and daily activities



Rinkeby-Kista home care service



Investigating with the child's needs in the centre



The start to lifelong learning

Foto: Malcolm Jacobson

THE DISTRICT COUNCIL'S SERVICES

Stockholm City Council allocates 1.3 billion SEK per year to Rinkeby-Kista to deliver its share of municipal services. Rinkeby-Kista district administration manages and carries out the work based on the district council's wishes and demands. Rinkeby-Kista employs over 1 200 people who are tasked to ensure that the inhabitants receive good quality municipal services. The organisation is structured in the following seven service areas.

SOCIAL CARE

One principal task is to evaluate and assess a child's need of support and protection. There are approximately 12 000 children and young people between the ages of 0–19 that live in the district. Every year the council receives over a thousand new applications or reports regarding the need for some form of social care. The service area also covers the care and support for abusers, assistance with housing issues and work with domestic violence especially against women.

SOCIAL BENEFITS AND LABOUR MARKET MEASURES

People that apply for social benefits shall receive the best possible information, support and assistance to enable them to become self sufficient. In order to manage and establish the rights for benefits tests and assessments are carried out on a regular basis. Each month approximately 1500 households receive support from social benefits.

PREVENTATIVE YOUTH ACTIONS AND CITIZEN SERVICE

Rinkeby-Kista has four youth clubs for 13-15 year olds, a service for 10-12 year olds, two meeting points for older teenagers, drug prevention, field workers, youth wardens, citizen wardens, culture activities for children and young people as well as school holiday activities in partnership with local associations and clubs.

Even the Citizen Service Centre and consumer advice unit is included in this service area. Rinkeby-Kista's Citizen Service Centre is a member of Europe Direct, The EUs network of local information and service centres.

PRESCHOOL

The district council currently runs 30 preschools for children from 1–5 years of age as well as "drop in" preschools and outdoor park activities. All together there are approximately 2 000 children registered in the municipal preschools.

In addition to these there are approximately 1 000 children registered in private preschools. Even the private preschools are funded by municipal taxes and fees.

ELDERLY CARE

People that are 65 years of age or older can, after an assessment, receive home care services, a place in a residential home or nursing home. There is also support provided for four community driven "Drop in Centres" for all senior citizens over 60 years of age.

DISABLED CARE

People with physical disabilities between the ages of 0-64 can be offered, among other things, group dwellings, job training and daily activities, personal assistance and respite care for relatives and carers.

People with psychiatric disabilities between the ages of 0-64 can be offered supported housing, work programmes, personal assistance, a contact person as well as other things.

PARKS MAINTENANCE

In the district there are over 550 hectares of park land where approximately 180 hectares require continuous grass cutting and maintenance the rest is natural land. In the district there are also seven outdoor paddling pools and twelve large play parks.

POPULATION

	Number 2011	Estimated 2021
Stockholm	864 324	987 912
Rinkeby-Kista	46 792	51 311
0-5 years old	4 360	4 429
6-15 years old	5 842	6 604
16-19 years old	2 376	2 454
20-24 years old	3 614	3 694
25-64 years old	26 032	27 860
65-79 years old	3 549	5 088
80 years and older	1 019	1 182
Rinkeby	15 845	17 044
Akalla	8 233	8 414
Husby	11 790	12 049
Kista	10 924	13 804

INHABITANTS WITH ETHNIC BACKGROUND *

	First generation number	Second generation number	Total %
Stockholm	195 039	62 654	29,8
Rinkeby-Kista	26 399	10 578	79,0

* Born abroad (first generation) and born in Sweden with two parents born abroad (second generation). Total as a percentage of population. 31 december 2011

ETHNIC BACKGROUND ACCORDING TO COUNTRY OF BIRTH

Born abroad	Rinkeby	Akalla	Husby	Kista	Total
Bosnia-Herzegovina	331	27	38	72	468
Finland	208	345	231	306	1 090
Greece	532	39	57	140	768
Jugoslavia	121	52	69	86	328
Poland	248	142	258	109	757
Turkey	1 001	212	305	301	1 819
Rest of Europe	410	246	501	577	1 734
Bangladesh	124	76	96	118	414
Iran	242	765	1 018	884	2 909
Iraq	1 262	555	1 103	235	3 155
India	30	86	101	197	414
China	71	72	36	410	589
Lebanon	123	44	60	62	289
Pakistan	86	49	162	159	456
Syria	373	76	100	82	631
Rest of Asia	454	254	415	337	1 460
Eritrea	264	201	490	71	1 026
Ethiopia	280	136	426	72	914
Morocco	142	56	105	41	344
Somalia	2 229	68	556	25	2 878
Rest of Afrika	519	280	470	161	1 430
Chile	262	159	174	116	711
Rest of South and Central America	264	120	158	113	655
North America	60	71	72	84	287
Rest	15	20	22	35	92
	9 651	4 151	7 023	4 793	25 618

RINKEBY-KISTA – FIGURES & FACTS



AKALLA, 8 000 INHABITANTS
21 % IN RENTAL HOMES



RINKEBY, 16 000 INHABITANTS
99.6 % IN RENTAL HOMES



KISTA, 11 000 INHABITANTS
15 % IN RENTAL HOMES



HUSBY, 12 000 INHABITANTS
78 % IN RENTAL HOMES

HOUSING

Size	Apartment Block	Single home	Total	%
Stockholm	402 994	44 595	447 589	
Rinkeby-Kista	18 337	1 391	19 728	100
Studio*	4 192	64	4 256	22
1 Bedroom	4 133	117	4 250	22
2 Bedrooms	7 083	366	7 449	38
3 Bedrooms	2 477	412	2 889	15
4 or more bedrooms	450	430	880	4
No information	2	2	4	0
Rinkeby	5 077	33	5 110	
Akalla	3 508	604	4 112	
Husby	4 896	0	4 896	
Kista	4 856	754	5 610	

* Studios without kitchen included. 31 december 2011

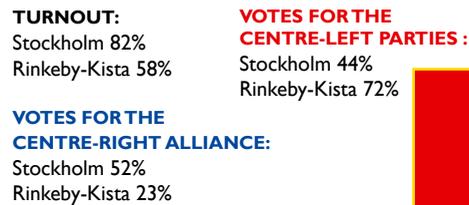
IN EMPLOYMENT YEAR 2010

	Rinkeby-Kista	Entire city
Women 20-64 years old	51,6 %	76,1 %
Men 20-64 years old	58,8 %	76,8 %

AVERAGE INCOME YEAR 2010, SEK PER ANNUM

	Rinkeby-Kista	Entire city
20-64 years old, total	216 300	327 100
20-64 years old, women	192 800	286 500
20-64 years old, men	237 100	368 000

ELECTION RESULT 2010



Election to Stockholm City Council 2010



Bo Sundin (Moderate) Chair



Mia Päärni (Social Democrat) Vice Chair

DISTRICT COUNCILS APPOINTED CENTRALLY

The district council's 13 permanent members and 13 alternate members are appointed by the City Council. The mandate distribution reflects the City Council's composition. Basically it is the result of the election in Stockholm that determines which party or parties will lead the district council's work.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS

The district council's meetings are open to the general public. They take place once per month and alternate between Rinkeby and Husby.

The district council meeting is advertised in the local newspaper, posters are displayed around the district's notice boards and there is information on the web site www.stockholm.se. One week prior to the meeting the public can read the agenda and issues for debate by using the e-service "Insyn" – www.insyn.stockholm.se/. Meeting documents can also be collected at the Citizen Service Centre in Rinkeby and Husby or at the council's offices in Kista.

The meeting always starts with a Q&A session where those interested can put questions to the council and highlight views and opinions. At the coffee break after the Q&A session it is also possible to talk with the council members.



Rinkeby-Kista district council is working in partnership for a safe and attractive environment in the district. Regular inspections, called "Safety Walks", provide the basis for improvements.

Welcome to our district!

Rinkeby-Kista is one of 14 district councils in the city of Stockholm. We are one part of a growing metropolis whose quest for sustainable development was rewarded in 2010 with the honour of being the first Green Capital of Europe.

Stockholm's possibilities and challenges can be clearly seen in Rinkeby-Kista. Within the district you can find one of the world's leading ICT clusters which strongly attracts innovative companies and highly skilled personnel both from Sweden and the world.

We also have housing areas with major social deprivation, where one of our most important tasks is to support the individual's path from benefit dependency to employment and self sufficiency. A large majority of the inhabitants here have an international background, many are refugees. Rinkeby-Kista has had through the years a leading role in the city's refugee reception services.

Just like the district's innovative companies and entrepreneurs we too try to be a modern new thinking organisation that is responsive to local needs.



We notice for example that the inhabitants have great expectations on us as a local actor, and that our work is made much easier based on the number of contacts and networks we have in the district.

Therefore in 2009 we took the initiative to set up a district wide network called "The Järva Spirit" with the purpose to engage the local community and help create a feeling of homeliness, wellbeing and safety. Today over 450 associations, clubs, companies and property owners have become members. One of the many mutual benefits for members is the development of contacts and networks in order to support the young people with jobs, job practice and mentorship in both the district's local and global companies.

You are very welcome to get to know us better and we trust that this information pamphlet can help!



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