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Uusix-workshops



Social accounts 2008
Summary

Uusix workshops in Helsinki

- was opened in December 9, 1997
- the first rehabilitating work programme started in December 2001
- the biggest rehabilitating unit of the city of Helsinki since 2006
- almost 500 clients (2008) and rising

11 workshops

- jewellery and ceramics
- metal
- dressmaking
- bicycle
- woodwork
- construction
- recycling of building materials
- textile
- upholstery

Workshops for young adults (under 30 years)

- Painotex – textile printing
- data processing

In addition to workshops we provide:

- social worker services
- health nurse services
- employment coach services
- IT-classes
- employment re-enforcement courses such as hygiene, fire prevention and work-and-safety
- Finnish classes for immigrants (elements/advanced)

Development of the number of personnel

	2008		2007		2006		2005	
	persons	days	persons	days	persons	days	persons	days
Rehabilitation	400	28760	340	24966	358	16607	208	9608
Training etc.	65	2965	58	3442	78	4722	88	4340
Subsidied employment 85%	36	3416	45	4176	77	7145	118	9122
Subsidied employment 100%	60	9109	65	10614	84	11867	61	9180
Full-timers	13,4		12		11		9	
Total	574,4	44250	520	43198	608	40341	484	32250

Events and achievements in 2008

A large renovation of woodwork - and dressmaking workshops was finished in April. The renovation improved significantly both safety and working facilities in the workshops.

In April 2008 Uusix workshops presented their products at Saint Sulpice – market in Paris. The products received a positive and enthusiastic welcome and especially the recycling materials used in the products raised a great interest among the Parisians.

Two new workshops, Painotex and IT, started their operation in May 2008. Painotex-workshop concentrates in textile printing and IT-workshop in computers and data processing. Both workshops are specifically directed to young, under 30 years old, rehabilitators.

Ideas created in the Uusix workshops are creative and versatile, which was proved in the innovation competition arranged by the Helsinki city social services in November 2008. Painotex-workshop won the third place with the idea of arranging rehabilitating activities for the young adults. IT-workshop won the first prize with so called 'one euro' computer: anyone passing the e-citizen or ECDL-exam can buy a computer from the IT-workshop with one euro. The decommissioned but fully working computers come from the city of Helsinki.

