

# European Funds for the Mazovia Region

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## Report for 2022












5.7 thousand projects, incl. 4.7 thousand completed  
**EUR 2 billion** in EU funding  
**EUR 1.6 billion** already transferred to beneficiaries

241 competitions and calls  
10.6 thousand applications  
**EUR 3.1 billion** of requested support from the EU



## European Funds drive positive changes in the Mazovia Region

European funds change the lives of the inhabitants of Mazovia. Hundreds of investments were implemented in all regions, the common goal of which was to improve the quality of life, environmental protection, development of entrepreneurship, provide education, as well as health care financing. This year we are celebrating 19th year of our presence in the European Union, and the recent years have been the time of rapid development of the voivodeship and involvement of beneficiaries. The financial perspective 2014-2020 allowed to co-finance over 5.7 thousand projects, while the completed investments met the needs of the inhabitants. Local governments, the business, cultural and research institutions and health care facilities, as well as non-governmental organizations benefited from the support. The amount of the EU aid is EUR 2 billion. Under the Regional Operational Program for the Mazovia Region 2014-2020, 1,7 thousand projects are implemented in rural areas (what makes 30.5% of all projects) for the amount of EU financing EUR 491.8 million (what makes 24.8% of the value of all projects).

	Number of projects	EU financing
 Research and Development	512	EUR 228,3 m
 E-services	183	EUR 145,5 m
 Development of innovation and entrepreneurship	2 205	EUR 164,5 m
 Transition to a low-carbon economy	439	EUR 357,4 m
 Environmentally friendly economy	189	EUR 63,2 m
 The quality of life	86	EUR 219,7 m
 Development of transport	45	EUR 253,3 m
 Development of labour market	265	EUR 132,9 m
 Social activation and fight against poverty	869	EUR 172,3 m
 Education	842	EUR 156,4 m
 React-EU for the Mazovia	46	EUR 22 m

## Environmental protection thanks to thermal modernization of buildings serving the residents

Renovation of schools in Sulejówek

**Beneficiary: City of Sulejówek**

Photo: Sulejowek City Hall



Thanks to the European Funds, it was possible to carry out thermal modernization of two schools in Sulejówek. Currently students from the Secondary School in Sulejówek and the Primary School No. 3 learn in comfortable conditions. The buildings are warm and safe. EU funds were allocated, among others, to for insulation of external walls, roof and flat roof, insulation of building partitions, replacement of windows and doors. Lighting in schools has changed to energy-saving, and the central heating and hot water installations have been modernized. Installation of photovoltaic panels ensures that buildings use renewable energy sources. Heat, cooling and hot water meters were installed in each school. The facilities also gained new facades.



**Over 650** energy-efficiently modernized buildings



## The health of the inhabitants of Mazovia in the center of attention

Modern psychiatric treatment in the Mazovian Regional Hospital in Drewnica

**Beneficiary: Masovian Regional Hospital Drewnica LLC**

Photo: Masovian Regional Hospital Drewnica LLC

In Żąbki, near Warsaw, a new seat of the Mazovian Regional Hospital Drewnica was built. Patients with various mental problems are admitted to the hospital. The facility also accepts patients addicted to, for example, alcohol. The hospital focuses on the diagnosis of mental disorders, treatment and monitoring of patients after leaving the facility. A very important goal is to return patients to everyday professional and social life. This most modern psychiatric hospital in Poland would not have been built without European funds. Patients of the Drewnica hospital feel taken care of, undergo treatment in comfortable conditions, receive psychological support and find the meaning of life. The facility in Żąbki also helps in inclusion and social activation, in the fight against poverty and any discrimination.



**124** medical facilities supported

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## Safer roads in the Mazovia Region

Reconstruction of the district road No. 1241W on the Ciechanów-Młock section

### Beneficiary: Ciechanów District

Photo: PZDZ in Ciechanów

Residents of such towns as Ciechanów, Kownaty Żędowne, Gostomin, Młock and Niechodzin use reconstructed roads. European funds helped to change the standard of the district road by replacing the road structure and widening the road lane. Traffic participants also use the newly constructed road shoulders and sidewalks. It was also possible to rebuild exits, new bus bays and pedestrian crossings are in operation. In addition, the bridge in Młock was renovated. The implementation of the project affects the safety of drivers and pedestrians every day. Travel times have been shortened, so cars generate less exhaust fumes. The towns in the district are better connected by transport, which also affects the attractiveness of the region.



Over **277 km** of roads built or reconstructed



**85** parking places "Park and ride" built or reconstructed



## Access to culture and art

Modernization and adaptation for cultural and educational purposes of the historic town hall building in Sierpc

### Beneficiary: Museum of the Mazovian Countryside in Sierpc

Photo: Museum of the Mazovian Countryside in Sierpc

Thanks to European funds, residents and tourists visiting the Sierpc region can take advantage of interesting cultural and educational offers. Where? The newly renovated Sierpc Town Hall which after the renovation has become a modern museum, encouraging visitors with the appropriate presentation and lighting of the exhibits. The beneficiary took care of exhibition lighting, rails for hanging exhibits, modern platforms and showcases for safe and effective presentation of museum collections. The use of innovative solutions makes the place willingly visited. The museum has been adapted to the needs of people with disabilities. There is an elevator in the building, toilets have been adapted, the entrance to the museum is threshold-free, and a lowered counter top has been installed. What is important, the museum promotes the talents of local artists.



**72** cultural institutions used the support

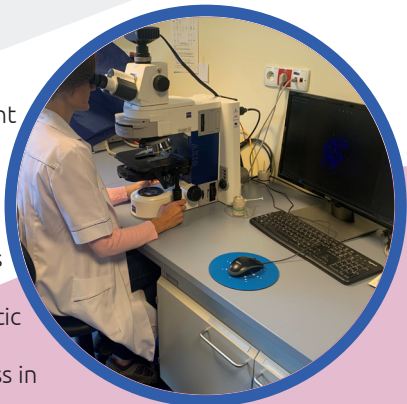
## Innovative research centers for scientific communities

Mazovian Research and Development Center for Diagnostics of Mother and Child

### Beneficiary: Institute of Mother and Child

Photo: Press Office of the Institute of Mother and Child

An innovative center - the Diagnostics Research and Development Center was established at the Institute of Mother and Child in Warsaw. European funds helped in the purchase of highly specialized laboratory equipment. The Center conducts complex, comprehensive and unique research. Particular emphasis is placed here on the development of medical genetics in the field of genetically determined diseases, as well as inborn defects of metabolism. The facility also aims to conduct diagnostic screening of newborns. All research conducted at the center is characterized by a very high degree of innovation and uniqueness in the scale of Poland, as well as Europe.



Research facilities are being created in **20** scientific units



**Over 220** companies supported in introducing innovative products to the market

## Helping the excluded and those at risk of social exclusion

Work is the goal

### Beneficiary: Local District Social Welfare Centre Praga-Południe of the Capital City of Warsaw

Photo: Social Welfare Center of the Praga-Południe Local District of the Capital City of Warsaw

Supporting residents in terms of social integration, professional activation, assistance to people with disabilities, as well as those excluded and at risk of social exclusion are priority activities of the European Union. The Warsaw Social Welfare Center implemented a project on professional activation. Participants took advantage of individual meetings with a career advisor, psychologist and

image specialist. These meetings strengthened people's self-esteem and made them want to change their lives. The next step was training and vocational courses. Participants also had the opportunity to take part in socially useful works, professional activation workshops and workshops being a part of the Activation and Integration Programme. The project helped the participants learn to be resourceful and independent.



More than **35,000** people at risk of poverty or social exclusion were supported



## Renovation of damaged buildings and urban spaces

Revitalization of historic properties (Kamienica Deskurów)

**Beneficiary: Municipality of the City of Radom**

Photo: MJWPU

The expansion and redevelopment of properties in Radom, known as Kamienica Deskurów, was supported by European funds. The implementation of the project consisted of revitalizing the buildings, carrying out a comprehensive renovation and restoring their former appearance. The applicant wanted the social and economic revival of Śródmieście Radom and the Kazimierzowskie Town. In tenements, that are open to residents and tourists, there are zones: education, culture, entrepreneurship and a service zone. Tenement houses after revitalization have changed the city landscape and the prepared offer helps to integrate residents, including those at risk of social exclusion. In addition, these places are open to people with disabilities. Thanks to EU funds, a space corresponding to the needs of residents has appeared on the map of Radom.



**63** monuments renovated

## Education is important

Creative school - development of students' key competences

**Beneficiary: Stare Babice Region**

Photo: Adobe Stock



Pupils from primary schools in Koczargi Stare and Zielonki-Parcela took advantage of classes developing digital, mathematical and biological, and language competences, as well as skills needed in everyday life, such as teamwork and creativity. The investment in young people was possible thanks to the support from the European Union. As part of the project, students took part in thematic workshops, e.g. in robotics, electronics, they deepened their knowledge of English or Russian, went on trips to the Warsaw Zoo, the Copernicus Science Center, and during the holidays they had scientific day camps. In addition, schools received computer equipment and modern teaching aids. More than 150 students participated in the project.



Over **4.8 thousand** pre-school places were co-financed



Over **140,000** students participated in classes developing key competences



Over **1.1 thousand** educational institutions were supported with information and communication technologies

## Ecological actions for clean air

Sochaczewski Eco-bus

**Beneficiary: Municipality and City of Sochaczew**

Photo: Municipality and City of Sochaczew

Environmental protection and all activities related to it are the main objectives of the European Union's policy. In Sochaczew, as part of the „Sochaczew Eko-bus” project, buses that meet ecological standards were purchased. Residents willingly use comfortable public transport. In addition, ticket vending machines and timetable boards were installed. The effects of the implemented project include: amenities for passengers and improvement of the functioning of the public transport system. Transport projects and those related to urban mobility are aimed at encouraging residents to give up the car in favor of the bus, tram, subway or bicycle.



**85** new or modernized buses



Over **655 kilometers** of bicycle routes will be built or reconstructed

## Electronic services make people's lives easier

Implementation of E-health services in the SP ZOZ Nowe Miasto nad Pilicą (Independent Public Health Care Center Nowe Miasto nad Pilicą)

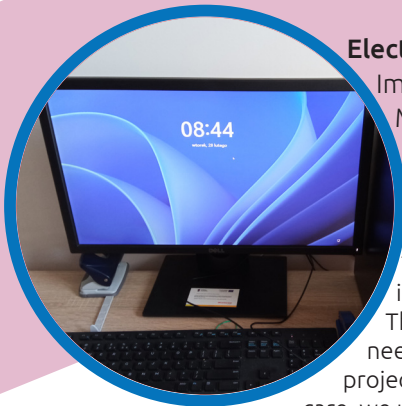
**Beneficiary: SP ZOZ Nowe Miasto nad Pilicą**

Photo: SP ZOZ Nowe Miasto nad Pilicą

The hospital implemented a project involving the implementation of e-services in the field of health care.

The funds granted from the EU helped in the purchase of the needed computer equipment and software. The effect of the project are facilities for patients and hospital employees. In health care, we use online services such as:

- **e-registration** - the service allows to check the available date of the selected medical service and register for a doctor's appointment on a selected date, in a given medical entity;
- **e-referral** – enables full electronic management of the treatment referral process from the moment of issuing the referral to the moment of providing the service;
- **e-prescription** – an electronic document that replaces the traditional paper prescription;
- **e-correspondence** – enables electronic communication between the patient and the facility.



There were **1.8 thousand** e-services introduced that enabled settling matters via the Internet.

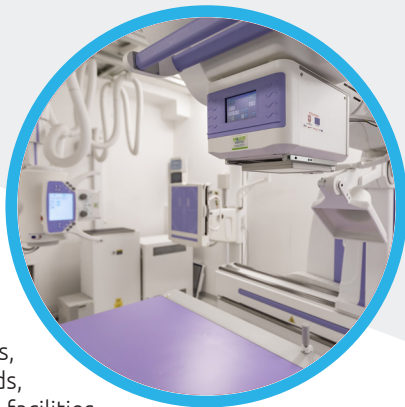


# The EU helps to mitigate the effects of the CIVOD-19 pandemic

## Saving the health and life of the residents

Photo: MJWPU

In 2022, the Mazovia Region continued to support hospitals and medical rescue teams whose staff takes care of the health and life of residents on a daily basis. Since the beginning of the pandemic, the financial aid from the European Union to support the health care sector non-competitive projects of the Mazovia Local Government has amounted to almost EUR 100 million. As a result, over 70 hospitals received, among others: ventilators, cardiomonitors, defibrillators, X-ray machines, hospital and intensive care beds, as well as ambulances for transporting patients. Some of the facilities have been equipped with sets for non-contact temperature measurement at the entrance to the buildings. Protection measures, including, for example, masks, goggles, visors, overalls, gloves and disinfectants, were also handed over to the facilities. Due to receipt of European funds support was also provided to rescuers from 5 ambulance stations and sanitary transport from Warsaw, Ostrołęka, Siedlce, Płock and Radom.



## Support for schools in remote education

Photo: Adobe Stock

Schools benefited from EU assistance in providing conditions for remote education. Support from European funds for this purpose amounted to EUR 8 million. Since the beginning of the pandemic over 270 facilities received the equipment needed to prepare and conduct lessons remotely. European funds were allocated for the purchase of i.a. laptops, tablets, multimedia boards, interactive displays, touch boards, printers and software. Teachers and students living in various areas of the Mazovia region benefited from the effects of the support.



Nearly **40,000 people** and over **670 entities** received support in counteracting the negative effects of the COVID-19 pandemic



More than **2,600 companies** supported in maintaining business



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## REACT-EU: fighting the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic

In response to the crisis caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, the European Union prepared a joint recovery plan for Europe, the so-called NextGenerationEU. One of its main elements is the REACT-EU mechanism, from which 46 projects in Mazovia have so far received funding, and the support amounted to over EUR 21 million.

European funds from the REACT-EU instrument are invested in Mazovia in two areas:

- Thermal modernization of public utility buildings to increase their energy efficiency, and thus contribute to improving the quality of the air we all breathe every day. Buildings of offices, schools, kindergartens and cultural institutions are subject to energy modernization. Examples of investments include: the Sport and Recreation Center in Warka, the Multimedia Center "Natura" in Ostrołęka, or the Municipal and Communal Social Welfare Center in Białobrzegi.
- Digitization of services for residents which is of key importance in ensuring the flow of information. Thanks to European funding it will be possible to further computerize the Mazovian Bródnowski Hospital and the Czerniakowski Hospital in Warsaw. Activities aimed at creating an open data base for local governments were also supported.



Photo: Adobe Stock

# New opportunities: European Funds for Mazovia 2021-2027

The inhabitants of Mazovia are faced with completely new opportunities which will be brought by the regional program European Funds for Mazovia 2021-2027 (abbreviated "FEM") with a budget exceeding EUR 2.09 billion from the European Union. The European Commission approved the program on 2nd December 2022 while the official inauguration took place during the 12th Mazovia Development Forum. European funds will be allocated to infrastructural, business, research, social and educational projects and those developing the Mazovian labour market. What areas will be supported?



## European funds for more competitive and intelligent Mazovia – EUR 223.8 million

among others: research and development, introducing innovations to the market, cluster development, incubation of enterprises, e-services



## European funds for the green development of Mazovia – EUR 390.8 million

among others: adaptation to climate change, energy modernization of buildings, air quality control, renewable energy sources, prevention of natural disasters, flood protection, water and sewage management, waste management, protection of landscape parks



## European funds for the development of urban mobility in Mazovia – EUR 245 million

among others: ecological public transport and digital systems for management, transfer nodes, cycling and walking infrastructure



## European funds for better connected and accessible Mazovia – EUR 222 million

among others: construction and reconstruction of roads, development of rail transport, provision of buses for needs extra-urban transport



## European funds for a higher quality of life in Mazovia – EUR 188.7 million

among others: investments in educational, social, health and cultural infrastructure, as well as in tourism



## European funds for professionally active Mazovia – EUR 151.1 million

among others: professional activation of the unemployed, support for employers in introducing tele-work



## European funds for modern and accessible education in Mazovia – EUR 196 million

among others: pre-school education, development of students' key competences, vocational education, development services and local initiatives for adult education



## European funds for active integration and development of social and health services in Mazovia – EUR 219.6 million

among others: social and professional activation of residents at risk of poverty and social exclusion, health programmes, support for social enterprises, services for children and youth, support for people affected by violence, homeless people, integration of migrants



## Mazovia closer to citizens thanks to European Funds – EUR 175.7 million

among others: protection and promotion of cultural heritage, revitalization of degraded areas

# Effects of information and promotion activities

According to residents, European Funds drive positive changes

## Conclusions of the Survey on Recognition and Knowledge of European Funds in the Polish Society. Edition 2022

- The vast majority (**87%**) support Poland's membership in the European Union (**6%** growth from 2018)
- According to the vast majority (**92%**) European funds contribute to the development of Poland
- Recognition of the keywords **European funds** and **EU funds** is at a very high level (**97%**)
- The vast majority (**92%**) of residents see the improvement in the quality of life of Poles thanks to the use of European Funds (an increase of **8%** compared to 2020)
- As many as **80%** of Mazovian residents see areas or projects supported by European funds in their immediate surroundings (growth of as much as **21%** over 2020)

- More and more people (**76%**) believe that they personally benefit from European funds (**15%** increase over 2020)
- European funds are well used according to **74%** of residents
- As many as **78%** of residents recognize the European funds logo (**14%** increase over 2020)
- residents were most likely to come into contact with European funds logo on TV (**35%**), in the internet (**33%**), as well as on things related to European funds (**22%**)
- Almost one in four residents (**24%**) say they come across information about European funds often or very often

*Survey commissioned by the Ministry of Development Funds and Regional Policy (as the coordinating institution of the Partnership Agreement for Poland)*

## „Leader of Change” Competition

In 2022, a special edition of the Leader of Change competition was held, recognizing healthcare leaders with assistance from the European Union. The competition was organized under the honorary patronages of Marshal of the Mazowieckie Voivodeship and the European Commission Representation in Poland. **Forty-two beneficiaries** of the regional program for Mazovia 2014-2020 participated, and awards were given within 4 categories: Fighting the COVID-19 pandemic, Diagnosis and treatment of patients, Prevention and health programs, and Innovation. The best projects were chosen by residents during an online voting via [www.liderzmian.eu](http://www.liderzmian.eu) website.

The awards ceremony was held as part of the 12th Mazovia Development Forum.



# How do we promote European Funds in the Mazovia region?

## Selected examples



### Extensive social media activity

Profiles „European Funds for Mazovia” conducted by employees of the Mazovian Unit of the EU Programmes Implementation. Results:

- 🟢 **Facebook** More than 400 posts in 2022  
- Over 22 thousand followers
- 🟢 **Twitter** Nearly 350 tweets  
- More 1,1 thousand followers
- 🟢 **YouTube** 52 videos published in 2022  
- More than 800 subscribers

### The campaign entitled „Beautiful 18-year-olds”

As part of the campaign to mark the 18th anniversary of Poland’s membership in the European Union, 5 videos were made, showing residents who benefit from the European Funds. The videos show various areas of European Union support. They can be found on the „Fundusze dla Mazowsza” channel on YouTube, as well as on Facebook and the ROP website. In addition, they are shown in selected cinemas during advertising blocks.

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### Films about the effects of the implementation of the EU funds

In the 13th edition of „Camerimage Festival” in the competition of advertising spots „European Funds in the frame”, the Mazovian Unit of the EU Programmes Implementation received the **Audience Award for the film „Black Lady”**.

Videos published on the YouTube channel gained **more than 109 thousand** (data as of December 2022)



This is the fourth award in this category, which went to the Mazovia region



### The 12th Mazovia Development Forum

was held on December 6-7, 2022.

It was a special event for many reasons - the most important of which was the launch of the „European Funds for Mazovia 2021-2027” program with the participation of representatives of the European Commission. The event was attended by nearly **1.1 thousand people**, and another **1.5 thousand** watched the live broadcast conducted on the Internet.

- 2 stages, 18 debates and more than 90 speakers from different areas
- 3 thematic areas: the Mazovia Development Area, the Health Area and for the first time the Youth Area due to the European Year of Youth
- a variety of activities: consultations, mini-workshops, discussions, demonstrations, simulations and testing of solutions co-created by more than 40 Partners of the event
- 4 presentation and workshop areas

