

Village Mardens' Association of Vas and Győr- Moson- Sopron Counties

Village Mardens' Association of Vas and Győr- Moson- Sopron Counties is the safeguarding organization of the village mardens working small villages. (less than 600 inhabitants)

It was founded with 14 founder members in 1996, and it has 85 members now. The association wants to unit in one organization village mardens, self- governments working for improvement of service, officials of self- governments, specialists and voluntary helpers. The aims of association are: improvement of village mardens' network founded in the interests of bettering small disadvantaged villages' situation, assistance of active village marden services' professional work; assistans of our common aims; assuring their protection of interests; improvement of peoples' life quality living in small villages, and in the interests of this establishing contacts with governmental and self- governmental organizations an institucions.

Association undertakes tasks in decision making process of governmental organizations with special regard to: easing the employmental and social tensions; protecting the natural and architectural environment; protecting local cultural heritage; assistance of young peoples' attachment for villages; cooperation in foundation and reinforcement of local village community.

In the course of work organization expands information network; takes part in passive infoemations; in cooperation with village marden services organizes researches, trainings, conferences and professonal visit with the aim of exchanging experiences.

Activity field and work of the organization features of counties belonged to the West-Transdanubian region

The region is not uniformly developed, meaknesses are the following: decrease in population, growing old, underdeveloped infrastructure, social and economical underdevelopment of regions consisting of small villages.

Innovative office of district- notary aims:

Supplying better the settlements of office of district- notary with administrative services.

Providing informations on the meetings of the corporations of the representatives, enlargement of the efficiency of work of corporations.

Innovative administration of issues, problems in office hours, time- saving work.

Involving people working in the field of services for inhabitants to the administrative service, for example: village marden, village agronomist, corporate house cold "Teleház", veterinary.

Active use of informational and telecommunicational equipments.

Local administrative office work.

Meeting the requirements of the EU.

Supporting the administrative reform.

Győr- Moson- Sopron county

64 of 173 villages have a population less than 600 inhabitants, it is 36,9 per cent of all settlements. 25 settlements have village marden service. Settlements of the county ebtered a work for the competition in the interests of launching village marden service. Peculiar to county bush- like territorial placing of services, well- provided with services Beled and its

surroundings, there are 3 services there; as well as surroundings of Rábaszentmihály where 3 settlements employ village marden. Less developed village marden network in the surroundings of Mosonmagyaróvár and Sopron.

Vas county

143 of 216 settlements of the county has a right- on the strength of member of inhabitants- to have village marden service, it is 66,2 per cent of all settlements. 60 settlements have village marden services now. 41 per cent of all possible settlements. 60 services provide 59 settlements. Some areas of the county as (Őrség, Vendvidék) are well- provided, the bush-like territorial placing gives a good possibility for the village mardens to deputize each other. Surroundings of Kőszeg, Celldömölk and Hegyhát are less developed.