Kreisausschuss Büro für Integration



## Welcome to the District Marburg-Biedenkopf!



We are glad that you have made it here and we wish you a good start! A lot of Goodbyes and a long journey lie behind you, so it is very important to us that you feel comfortable here. We would like to offer you our support.

Our district lies in the centre of Hesse and its landscape is characterized by mountains and valleys, vast forests, rivers and fields. A large part of it is being used agriculturally.

The largest city in the district is the university town of Marburg with about 72,000 inhabitants. Altogether, more than 241,000 people are living in the district. In everyday life, German is spoken, but there are also towns and villages where Turkish, Russian, Italian and Polish are spoken, because there are a lot of residents with a migratory background.

In Marburg-Biedenkopf we have diverse cultural and religious traditions which you may find interesting. For instance, there are a number of events and festivities organized by people with migratory background. This creates an opportunity for you to contribute to our cultural diversity. We are looking forward to that.

To help you with getting to know our district, we will provide you with maps and general information about the public means of transport (buses, trains and shared taxis).

Our staff will be glad to help you if you have any questions, for example regarding:

- where you can learn German
- finding schools for your children
- working in Germany
- illness and consultation
- finances

Many activities in the district are organised by sports clubs, culture and music clubs, hiking clubs and many more. For example, if you like to play football, look for a football club in your area. Join in!

You can also use other public services like:

- youth centres
- libraries
- museums
- playgrounds
- swimming pools

Some of these services bear a charge, others are free of charge, for example playgrounds and libraries.

We would like to show you that Marburg-Biedenkopf is a cosmopolitan and tolerant region! Please help us with that!

Best regards,

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