



## Warsaw (Poland)

### Warsaw supports non-governmental organizations

The city has undertaken a number of activities to help social organizations in carrying out tasks for the benefit of residents. We proposed changes to the subsidy agreements and called for NGOs to be included in the government's special act on combating COVID-19.

We allow to change the deadlines for the implementation of the tasks indicated in the competition announcement. The document also makes it possible to change the terms of their implementation, as long as it does not change the criteria for evaluating the offers submitted in the open competition in which the contractor was selected.

The city proposed annexes to the contracts to the NGOs. On March 11, 2020, organizations were asked to analyze the possibility of conducting some activities remotely and postponing the dates of events. Individual changes to contracts are individually considered by directors of offices and mayors of districts of the Capital City of Warsaw.

Reliefs in the payment of rent for the lease of municipal premises. Non-governmental organizations that rent premises from Warsaw's resources may take advantage of the possibility of a single rent reduction due to the deterioration of the financial situation – the reduction may not apply to more than 3 months in a 5-year period. It is also possible to defer the payment or to divide the entire amount or part of the payment into installments. NGOs can use this solution after submitting an application, but only if payments are already late.

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### The OWHC's response to the coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19)

The Organization of World Heritage Cities (OWHC) wishes to support its member cities by gathering and sharing all the actions implemented by local and regional governments around the world.

To share your city's best practices, you can complete the [FORM](#) available on the OWHC website. All your initiatives will be published in the special section [WWW.OVPM.ORG/COVID-19/RECOVERY](http://WWW.OVPM.ORG/COVID-19/RECOVERY).

### Type of initiative

Recovery of the economy and tourism

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