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| Current situation | <p>13 countries throughout Middle East have come to Europe to find safety and refuge. These include mainly men but also children and women. The men want to avoid the military and the women to protect their families. In one hostel, there is roughly 130 people and the oldest is around 55 years. The majority have come to Nybro as the community is very open and always willing to help. Nybro has had the largest intake of refugees in Småland. Currently the refugees who don't have permanent accommodation, have to share rooms and pay a small fee. This has happened as black market buyers are making money from the rent that the refugees are paying in order to be safe, this makes it even harder for the refugees to have a good standard of living. However after around two years of shared accommodation, refugees are able to purchase their own home and become "Swedish". The Swedish government have been 'split into two blocks', the first fully support refugees in their country. But the other part state that the movement of refugees will disturb the economy.</p> |
| Development work / Arrangements | <p>In hostels, they aim to keep everybody happy and educate them to fit into the local area. At first this included Swedish lessons however the 'students' became uninterested and today they don't have the lessons. On the other hand there is a limited number of Swedish teachers in the area, to teach all of the refugees. Despite this, some refugees self-study in the library. This language barrier prevents them from getting employed by local businesses. The education for children is free and they learn Swedish here and often their original language. Nybro provides social clubs, including cafes and dinner clubs. This helps the refugees to be open minded and more aware of different cultures.</p> |

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| Desired impact | The intention of the programme is to achieve peace and security for all refugees. In the future Nybro aim to educate and employ refugees so that they feel included and valued in the community. Also the government /integration unit want provide health checks every four months and provide them with essential toiletries such as soaps and nappies. |
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