NORDIC SAFE CITIES LAUNCH

Dear Members, Partners and Friends,

On April the 1st, Nordic Safe Cities launched The Pioneer Prize – a Nordic Youth Prize for Safer Communities. Youth play a great role in generating safe democratic local communities that are united and resilient against hate and polarisation – and each day, thousands of Nordic Youth, entrepreneurs, musicians, sport leaders, activists, engage in creating change at a local level to ensure more socially coherent communities, using different platforms and tools. The Pioneer Prize aims to acknowledge, promote and celebrate these youth.

The Award

The prize is awarded to 4 Nordic youth under the age of 25 who *"have demonstrated considerable devotion to increase local safety and cohesion in their Nordic community, by tackling polarisation, hate and social exclusion".* The award consists of a 25.000 DKK scholarship and subsequent mentorship program, and is awarded at the Residence of the Swedish Ambassador in Copenhagen, on the 30th of September.

Nomination

Anyone can nominate youth who they find pioneering. Nomination take place via <u>https://nordicsafecities.org/thepioneerprize/</u> and the nomination period closes on May the 31st.

Partners

The Pioneer Prize has been initiated by <u>Nordic Safe Cities</u> together with <u>UNLEASH</u> and the <u>Embassy of Sweden in Denmark</u> to celebrate, acknowledge and stimulate noteworthy actions undertaken by courageous Nordic youth.