

## ABOUT US

So. & Co. Social Cooperatives Consortium was founded in 1999 in Lucca, and in recent years has established itself as the most important aggregation of social cooperation in our province by bringing together 15 cooperatives of type A and B.

More than 700 employees and working partners are involved in the various sectors and services of So. & Co. system. Among them, a significant part is made up of disadvantaged people, included in the world of work, thanks to social cooperation.

So. & Co. is active throughout the whole area of the province and is deeply linked to the economic and social reality in which it operates.

Social cooperation in particular is an expression of the civil society and one of the main instrument at the service of the community.

So. & Co. has the fundamental function of service provider for cooperatives and social enterprise incubator, also through the activities of the **Training Agency** which has established itself in recent years in the field of education in the province of Lucca.

Over the years, So. & Co. has established relationships and ties with other Third Sector organizations, in particular with the **Gino Mattarelli National Consortium**, a national structure that can provide tools and high quality standards for social cooperatives activities.

## AREAS AND SERVICES

### **Environment and Greenery**

*Waste collection and management*  
*Partnership with public authorities for sustainable development projects*  
*Green maintenance*  
*Gardens design*  
*Environment and woodland renovation works*

### **Tourist and Accomodation Activities**

*Beach Resort management*  
*Sport facilities management*  
*Swimming-pools management*

### **Construction**

*Schools planned maintenance*  
*Architectural Barrier removal*  
*Buildings and roads works*  
*Housing maintenance construction*  
*Painting and Whitening*

### **Schools auxiliary staff**

*School surveillance*  
*School buildings cleaning*

### **Cemetery services**

*Keeping and caring*  
*Planned and extraordinary maintenance*  
*Burials*  
*Graves construction*

### **Other services**

*Porterage*  
*Kennels custody and caring*  
*Electoral services management*  
*Cleanings*  
*Stages preparation for performances / shows*

### **Services for persons:**

*Animation activities*  
*Home care for elderly and disabled*  
*Distress person assistance*  
*Children's home reception*  
*Residential facilities managing for elderly and disabled*  
*Nursery school planning and management*  
*Game rooms and play center management*  
*House emergency services*  
*Immigration help desk and first asylum*

### **Job services:**

*Database management*  
*Private placement*  
*Staff selection*  
*Disadvantaged people job placement*  
*Match supply with demand*

## TRAINING AND PROJECTS

*Occupational safety courses*  
*Workers updating courses*  
*Professional training course*  
*Apprentices training*  
*Enterprises consulting / expert advice*  
*Enterprises start-up / innovative services*  
*Funding opportunities*  
*Start up projects for new social enterprises*