29 October 2026

Francis II Rákóczi, Ruling Prince of Hungary was born 350 years ago and was reburied 120 years ago this year

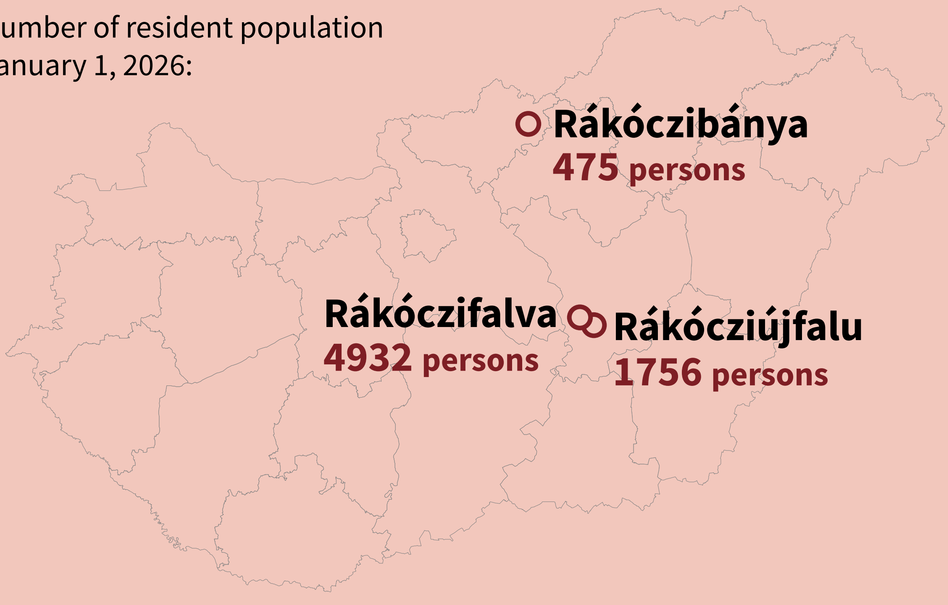
His motto: *Cum Deo pro patria et libertate!*
With God for country and liberty!

The ashes of Francis II Rákóczi, Ruling Prince of Hungary (Borsi (Borša, Slovak Republic), March 27, 1676 – Rodostó (Tekirdağ, Republic of Türkiye), April 8, 1735), who was born **350 years ago** this year, was laid to final rest on **October 29, 1906,** at the Cathedral of St. Elizabeth in Kassa (Košice, Slovak Republic).

His memory today

Three settlements bear his name in Hungary.

Number of resident population
January 1, 2026:



Source: HCSO.

Numerous public spaces, educational, cultural and medical institutions, associations and foundations were **named after him in Hungary and the neighbouring countries,** alongside memorials erected **in his honour.** The **II. Rákóczi Ferenc Kárpátaljai Magyar Egyetem (Francis II Rákóczi Subcarpathian Hungarian University)** operates at **Beregszász (Berehove, Ukraine)** in Subcarpathia.

Name	Pieces	Rarity
Rákóczi street[1)]	**1.3 thousand**	**5. most common**
500 HUF banknote[2)]	**46.1 million**	**4. most common**

[1)] Source: https://geox.hu/hirek/top-10-utcanev-magyarorszagon/
[2)] The 500 HUF banknote is pressed with the portrait of Francis II Rákóczi on the front. Data as of June 30, 2026. Source: MNB.

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