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What does the city's form actually mean to the PEOPLE WHO LIVE THERE? What can the city planner do to make the CITY'S IMAGE MORE VIVID AND MEMORABLE TO THE CITY DWELLER? "Kevin Lynch" THEY ARE THE QUESTIONS THAT YOU NEED TO ASK

YOUR-SELF BEFORE IMAGINING THE CITY.



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# **SYNOPSIS**

CITIES ARE MORE THAN MERE PHYSICAL STRUCTURES OR MODERN SETTLEMENT PATTERNS. CIT-IES ARE THE PLACES WHERE WE WAKE UP, LIVE, LAUGH, LOVE, WORK, LEARN, AND RETIRE FOR THE NIGHT. SUCH CITIES CAN BE UNDERSTOOD AS A FORM OF HABITAT AND ARE, IN FACT, ONE OF THE MOST RECENT HABITATS ON PLANET EARTH. ON THE URBAN DESIGN IS ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIF-ICANT METHODS OF PREVENTING THE PRESENCE OF DISEASES AND PROMOTE A HEALTHY HUMAN HABITAT. THE WHO CATEGORIZES NONCOMMUNICABLE DISEASES (NCDs), AS URBAN SOCIETY'S GREATEST PUBLIC HEALTH CHALLENGE. NCDs INCLUDE CHRONIC DISEASES SUCH AS CANCER AND ASTHMA BUT ALSO LIFESTYLE DISEASES SUCH AS DIABETES AND CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASES. ON A SOCIETAL SCALE, THE HUMAN HABITAT CONSISTS OF THE TOTAL SUM OF ALL ITS INDIVIDUALS FROM ALL POPULATION GROUPS. IN THE FIELD OF NATURAL SCIENCES, DIVERSITY IS ACKNOWLEDGED AS PROMOTING RICH AND HEALTHY HABITATS, ENABLING SYSTEMS TO BE RESILIENT AND ALLOWING ALL ORGANISMS TO ADAPT TO CHANGE. CORRESPONDINGLY, IT IS INHERENTLY IMPORTANT THAT THE HUMAN HABITAT ALSO ENCOMPASS DIVERSITY.

After the increasing of people's number in the city during our last century the so-CIAL LIFE HAS BEEN CHANGED AS WELL BECAUSE OF A LOT OF FACTORS SUCH AS PEOPLE CONNEC-TIONS, THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN CITIES AND COUNTRY SIDE, PEOPLE BEHAVIOR AND PEOPLE NEED THEREFORE, THE CITIES NEED TO BE UPDATED ACCORDING TO THESE CHANGES OF PEOPLE. ACCORDINGLY, THE SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT IN HOUSES AND STREETS BECAME DIFFERENT BECAUSE PEOPLE STARTED TO USE THE STREETS MORE THAN BEFORE IN THEIR LIFE MOMENTS SO EVERY DETAILS IN THE URBAN MUST BE PART OF THE PEOPLE'S LIFE AND THIS IS THE REASON THAT YOU COULDN'T TAKE A SPECIFIC WELL DESIGN PROJECT FROM USA TO PUT IT IN ITALY EVEN IF THE PROJECT IS SUPER SUCCUSSED BECAUSE THE PEOPLE'S SOCIAL LIFE IN USA IS DIFFERENT THAN IN ITALY EVERY ONE OF THEM HAS DIFFERENT KIND OF LIFE'S DETAILS DURING THE DAY SO THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT POINT THAT WE NEED TO CONSIDER WHEN WE WORK WITH ANY PROJECT RELATED TO SOCIAL LIFE.

BETWEEN THE URBAN TRANSFORMATION AND SOCIAL LIFE CHANGES THERE ARE SOME DIRECT AND INDIRECT RELATIONS AND CONNECTIONS BETWEEN BOTH OF THEM, FIRST OF ALL THE URBAN TRANSFORMATION MUST BE BASED ON THE PEOPLE'S NEEDS AND WHICH CHANGES THAT THEY WANT TO HAVE IN THEIR URBAN SCALE STARTING FROM THE BUILDING DESIGN TO STREET NETWORK AND URBAN SOCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR PUBLIC. SECONDLY, THERE ARE SOME CHANGES IN URBAN TRANS-FORMATION IMPACT ON PEOPLE'S LIFE STYLE SUCH AS BIKES LANE, RUNNING TRACKS AND PUBLIC GATHERING SPACES THEREFORE, THE CONNECTION BETWEEN URBAN AND SOCIAL LIFE IS TWO WAYS NOT ONLY FROM ONE TO ANOTHER BUT IT'S BETWEEN BOTH OF THEM TO DELIVER THE PERFECT LIFE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING IN THIS CITY.

CITIES DESIGN AND PEOPLE'S LIFE STYLE HAVE HUGE RESPONSIBILITIES AND ABILITY TO CONTROL SOME DISEASES IN THE COMMUNITIES SUCH AS WHAT HAPPENED IN INDIA AND CHINA. THEREFORE, PROVIDING URBAN RESIDENTS WITH AREAS THAT PROMOTE BOTH PLANNED AND SPONTANEOUS SOCIAL INTERACTION AND PHYSICAL ACTIVITY WITHIN WALKING OR BIKING DISTANCE FROM ONE'S HOME IS AN EFFECTIVE WAY OF CATALYZING ACTIVE LIVING IN THE HUMAN HABITAT. THIS OF COURSE NECESSITATES A PROFOUND UNDERSTANDING OF THE TYPES OF SOCIAL, CULTURAL, AND PERSONAL FACTORS THAT MOTIVATE PEOPLE'S CHOICE OF ACTIVE LIVING AND, ACCORDINGLY, THE URBAN DESIGN AND INFRASTRUCTURE THAT PROMOTE THIS TYPE OF BEHAVIOR.

CONSEQUENTLY, THE RESEARCH STARTED TO BE DIRECTED TO THE VITAL AND COMPLETE CITY CON-CEPT TO BE THE FIRST STEP OF THE LIFE CHANGING FOR THE COUNTRY AND COMMUNITY TOGETH-ER. THE IDEA OF VITAL CITY IS FAIRLY SIMPLE: RESIDENTS SHOULD BE ABLE TO ACCESS THEIR BASIC NEEDS OF FOOD, HEALTHCARE, WORK, GREEN SPACE, ETC. WITHIN A 15-MINUTE COMMUTE FROM THEIR HOME. COMMUTING HERE REFERS TO WALKING OR CYCLING; CARS ARE LARGELY ABSENT FROM THIS DISCUSSION. ACCORDING TO THIS CONCEPT, OUR SIX BASIC SOCIAL FUNCTIONS OF "LIV-ING, WORKING, SUPPLYING, CARING, LEARNING, AND ENJOYING" SHOULD BE MET CLOSER TO HOME TO ENSURE HAPPIER CITIZENS ARE MORE ENGAGED IN THE WELL-BEING OF THEIR COMMUNITIES. AN INTERNATIONAL COALITION OF 97 CITIES DEDICATED TO CREATING MORE SUSTAINABLE URBAN LIFESTYLES. WHILE THE TERM VITAL CITY IS RELATIVELY NEW TO THE URBAN PLANNING SCENE, ITS CONCEPTS ARE NOT. THEY HAVE BEEN REFERRED TO AS 'COMPLETE COMMUNITIES' OR 'THE 15-MIN-UTE NEIGHBORHOOD' IN THE PAST, AND REPRESENT A TREND OF DECENTRALIZING URBAN LIFE SO THAT NEIGHBORHOODS MAY MEET MULTIPLE DAILY NEEDS.

At the end Vital city is one of the most important strategy nowadays to tackle with VARIOUS OF URBAN AND SOCIETY ISSUES. THEREFORE, THE THESIS EXPLORES HOW COULD WE APPLY THIS CONCEPT IN DIFFERENT COMMUNITIES WITH DIFFERENT BACKGROUND AND NEEDS. THERE-FORE, YOU CAN FIND THE APPLICATION OF THE VITAL CITY PROCESS IN TORINO, ITALY AND CAIRO, EGYPT TO FIGURE OUT HOW THIS STRATEGY WILL IMPACT ON THE SOCIETY AND HOW IT'S GOING TO CHANGE THEIR LIFE STYLE AND MAKE THE COUNTRY MORE SUSTAINABLE WITH HEALTHY LIFE FOR THEIR PEOPLE.

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# DISCOVERY



## 1- PREFACE OF URBAN TRANSFORMATION CONSEQUENCES.

IT'S THE INTRODUCTION OF CONSEQUENCES OF URBAN TRANSFORMATION ON THE OVER-ALL STRATEGY IN THE CITIES AND HOW IT REFLECT DIRECT AND INDIRECT ON PEOPLE'S LIFE, HEALTH, LIFESTYLE, AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY SO IT'S JUST THE OPENING CHAPTER FOR THE NEXT STUDIES.

ALONE WE CAN DO SO LITTLE; TOGETHER WE CAN DO SO MUCH FOR OUR COMMUNITIES " HELEN KELLER

# 1.1- CITIES TRANSFORMATION THROUGH TIME.

have long been recognized to be socie-

Over half of the worldwide population ty's predominant engine of innovation live in cities, this number is expected to and wealth creation, yet they are also rise to 70% over the next 20 years (Unit- the primary source of pollution, crime, ed Nations, 2014). According to The and diseases. (Bettencourt et al., 2007) United Nations projects and estima- Today, only 600 urban centers account tions, cities will absorb nearly all global for 60% of the global GDP (Dobbs et population growth from the years 2016 al., 2011). In the United States, the top to 2030, amounting to almost 1.1 bil- 20 metropolitan regions contribute lion new urbanites during the next 14 52% of the total country's GDP. Furyears. Whilst 50 years ago there were thermore, there is a vital correlation only 3 megacities (>10 m inhabitants), between the degree of urbanization of Tokyo, Osaka, and New York- Newark, a country and its per capita income. today there are 28 megacities global- When a city's population is doubled ly, by 2030, there will be 41 megacities its economic productivity increases by worldwide (United Nations, 2015). In 130% (Bettencourt et al., 2007; Bettenrecent years, cities have received a lot court & West, 2010). The major drivof attention, not only because of the ers to a higher cities' productivity are multiple challenges cities present but shown in resource sharing, quicker because of the potential that they hold and better matching, and more learnin solving pressing societal problems ing. Increasing urban population densuch as poverty, climate change, and sity is beneficial as it gives residents a diseases. The United Nations Habi- greater opportunity for face-to-face tat New Urban Agenda (UN Habitat, interaction. Productivity and innova-2016) and the Sustainable Develop- tion tend to be higher in cities that pay ment Goals (SDG, 2015) have provid- higher wages and improved standards ed new dynamism to the urban devel- of living. As such, cities attract more opment agenda and its linkages and workers resulting in positive loops of connections to human health. Cities growth, productivity, and innovation.



-Dubai through the time from 1991 to 2017 a lot have been changed.

-Source. ITP Media Group. (2017). A look at the incredible changes in Dubai. Esquireme. https://www.esquireme.com/

# 1.2- SOCIAL LIFE'S CHANGES.

factors such as connections between and countryside, people behavior and needs, therefore, cities need to be updatquence, the social environment in houser when working on social life involved volved not only considered as users.

Following the increase of people num- project. Continuing with the same conbers in cities over our last century, social cept we can see the reshaping of comlife has changed as well due to various munities in the cities because of policies' constant changes according to human people, the differences between cities behavior which is always in a changing mode. Looking into the process, studying and analyzing social life and comed to reflect these changes. As a conse- munity is the first step in developing a city, simply to understand what is goes and streets changed because people ing on inside the community and what started to use the streets more frequent- they require not just nowadays but also ly in their daily moments so every detail to give to your design the ability to be in the urban must be part of the people's changeable throughout time according lives and for this exact reason you could to what you expect from the community. not take a well-designed project from After all, cities are not just buildings it's the USA and place it in Italy even if the the people inhabiting them. In the end, project was extremely successful be- considering the people being the source cause the people's social life differs from of life, social life and community details a country to the next with each having are the basis of change in urban scale as its set in their day-to-day, this being one they are the foundation of redesigning of the most important factors to consid- this creation because they need to be in-



- it shows people's need in their neighborhood so it's one of the starting points. -Source; Area d'Ecologia, Urbanisme i Mobilitat. (2017). Poblenou "Superblock. Publicspace. https://www.publicspace.org/

# 1.3- THE CONNECTION BETWEEN URBAN AND SOCIAL LIFE.

Between the urban transformation and bike lanes starting from the city's center social life changes, there are some direct which enabled people to bike freeand indirect relations and connections. ly from the city's center to the borders First and foremost, urban transforma- in just 15-20 minutes barring in mind tion must be based on people's needs if you wait for transportation you will and the changes that they want to see consume more time, so with this stratin their urban scale, from the building egy, along with taking off advertisement design to the street network, and urban banner and replacing it with green spots ly, some changes in urban transforma- lifestyle of the people changed because such as bike lanes, running tracks, and more fitting for people's social life after public gathering spaces. As a result, the realizing that people started meeting in connection between urban and social the streets because of those green spaces. life is made in two ways not only from In the end, the relation between urban one to the other but also between the transformation and social life is vital in people of this city. A good example of leaving an impact on other elements this connection is the city of Grenoble such as the environment, social bonds, in France, a bike-friendly city that en- and the city's economic situation. couraged people to use the bikes more often when going places, they designed

social activities for the public. Second- and public outdoor activity spaces, the tion have an impact on people's lifestyle of this urban transformation making it two, in order to provide the ideal life for enhancing the quality of life for people



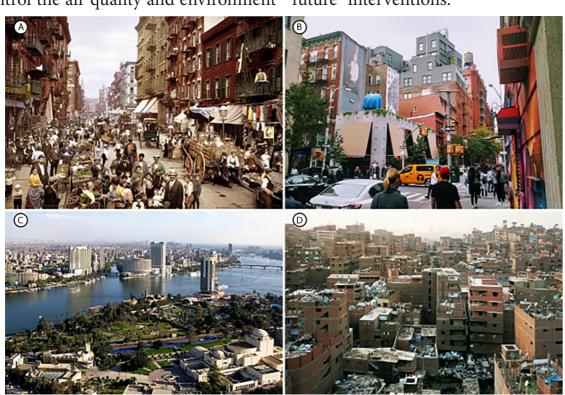


-the different between the function of the same place and the effect on the people of this change, Grenoble, France -Source: My project for Urban design in Grenoble, France.

# 1.4- CONTRIBUTION OF URBAN TO REDUCE INFECTIOUS AND NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES.

control the air quality and environment future interventions.

Cities have huge responsibilities and the in the country, for example, in public ability to control some diseases by the spaces there are some places smoking design of their urban as it has a huge ef- is allowed but the rest are not with this fect on people's lifestyle and their way concept more than 35% of people startof living, therefore when you design ed to quit smoking because it became a city consider how their life would be very hard to do so in most public places. affected by such design. For example, In the end, the urban design of the city India, has one of the highest rates with along with setting some policies is the causes of death by cardiovascular and first step by the government to help peocancer, due to several reasons but urban ple lead a good quality of life. Swedish design in the big cities in India being a authorities noted that "Reducing social primary one for the lack of proper ven- differences in health is the key for genertilation as those cities are not designed al public health objective". Furthermore, these numbers of people. However, if obesity is another disease as a result of they set some policies to force people to human behavior as it has been proven to consider and protect the present green be especially difficult for public health areas and increase those areas it will professionals to adequately address on have huge consequences on air quality, a population level. If sustainable polimore importantly, people's lives. On the cies can be correlated with a reduction, other hand, in Japan, they are trying to or slowing, of the hard case of obesity, it control everything in public spaces to will represent a significant potential for



- it shows how the creation of urban is one of the reasons of people's social life and also spreading some diseases in the community.

-photo credit (Urban-associated diseases: Candidate diseases, environmental risk factors, and a path forward)



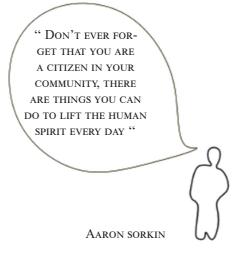
IAM LIVING IN CROCETTA SINCE 2012 BUT I DON'T KNOW A LOT ABOUT THE COMMUNITY ASSOICATION BECAUSE THERE IS NO ADVERISMENT FOR THIS

FRANCESCA CROCETTA, TORINO

IAM NORMAL EGYPTIAN CITIZEN THAT DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT PROCESS AND HOW IT'S WORKING INSIDE I JUST CAN SEE THE OUTPUT IN MY DISTRICT WITHOUT ANY ABILITY TO KIND OF OBJECTION



# DISCOVERY



# 2- LIVABLE CITIES.

CONTINUE WITH THE DISCOVERY PART WITH THE LIVABLE CITIES TO KNOW WHAT ARE THE PRINCIPLES TO CHANGE AND DESIGN FROM THE BEGINNING LIVABLE AND ACTIVE CITIES AND WHAT ARE THE MAIN PILLARS TO BUILD THIS KIND OF CITIES TO GET QUALITY LIFE FOR PEOPLE.

THERE IS NO POWER FOR CHANGE GREATER THAN A COM-MUNITY DISCOVERING WHAT IT CARES ABOUT Margaret J. Wheatley

14 2-LIVABLE CITY.

# 2.1- (IMCL) INTERNATIONAL MAKING CITIES LIVABLE.

increase its social life. There are some points that you need to consider in designing and making the city livable

- 1-Community social life
- 2-Connect with nature
- 3-Independent mobility
- Therefore, Livable cities are not just creworks to make people feel more at home social spaces. and involve more in the community in indirect ways. The public realm must in-

This movement was founded in 1985 by clude everyone—babies, toddlers, teens, Henry L. Lenard and Suzanne H. Erow-youths, adults, and older people. It must hurst to start changing the concept of involve people from all walks of life and a dead city to make it more livable and socio-cultural backgrounds, integrating children into the community, and building social support for elders and those less fortunate. Interaction in public builds community and social capital. In the end, it is vital to consider the transit between ages, for example, older kids 4-Create a hospitable built environment. should be able to take transit on their own from a suburb to the town center. ated by buildings, it's mainly by creating For parents to be comfortable with their zones and connections between the ur- children taking transit, parents themban elements awith the people to make selves must use it to get to work or go them interact with the city becoming a shopping. Transit used by everyone— Key to achieving a high quality of life rich and poor, old and young—is demofor all in treating the public realm. The cratic and socially healthy. It also builds most essential task is to make it possi- the community and decreases the segreble for people to come together, to form gation between different ages as this way friendships and face-to-face social net- they will communicate together in the





-Healthy cities create a hospitable urban fabric connected with the nature - Photo credit: François Schreuer

# 2.2- FOUR PILLARS OF IMCL

# + COMMUNITY SOCIAL LIFE

The way we treat the public realm is crit- more democratic way of life. As Martin form friendships and face-to-face social networks, and develop social capital and community. It is the public spaces, foundation of social health. The quantity and quality of social interaction, as well as one's sense of belonging, have a significant impact on both physical and mental health (House et al., 1988; Lomas, 1998; Cohen, 2004). We all require companionship and frequent face-to-face inwho acknowledge us as human beings and accept us as "members." These social networks serve as a "social immune system" to buffering stress, improving coping, and protecting health. Public Realm: We all need to be able to engage in a vibrant social life in public, community and welcoming public spacgagement, both of which contribute to a as equals even before he learns to speak.

ical to achieving a high quality of life Buber emphasized: "...architects must for everyone. The most essential task be set the task of also building for huis to enable people to come together, man contact, building surroundings that invite meeting and centers that shape meeting" (1967). Creating a welcoming public realm necessities a mix of buildstreets, and squares that facilitate equi- ing uses—stores, workshops, or restautable social interactions. Social Immune rants at street level, with dwellings and System: physical health is built on the offices above. Residential buildings with windows and balconies overlooking the street or plaza create "eyes on the street" (Jacobs, 1961), making the public realm safe and hospitable, a place where parents feel comfortable letting their children roam. The Neighborhood Square, the Community's Living Room: A small teraction with a diverse group of people neighborhood square is the most important component of a healthy neighborhood—and yet it is precisely this that sorely lacking in modern cities. People's lives intersect on a square; social interaction occurs while people shop or go about their daily lives. According to Peter Benson(2006), Children must grow but this cannot happen without a strong up "within a web of sustained adult relationships," At its best, the public realm es. A vibrant public realm encourages is an unrivaled teacher of social skills people to linger, share their observations and attitudes (Lennard & Crowhurst and perspectives, and get to know one Lennard, 2000). The baby is introduced another. It is essential for the develop- to members of the community, and the ment of the community and civic en- toddler learns how to address strangers

# 2.2- FOUR PILLARS OF IMCL

# + CONNECT WITH NATURE

We must prevent air pollution by reduc- promote emotional resilience (Grahn cial play and cooperative relationships, views for city dwellers.

ing vehicle emissions (Nieuwenhuijsen et al., 1997; Wells, 2000), reduce and re-& Khreis, 2016) and contaminating riv- lieve attention deficit hyperactivity disers and lakes, and drinking water. Con- order. Nature is particularly healing for tamination can have immediate and the elderly. Even a view of trees from long-term effects on our health and the your apartment improves emotional health of all living things (Nieuwenhui- health, mental acuity, and productivity jsen et al., 2017). Aside from that, fresh while reducing stress and violence (Kuo air and clean water are enormous sourc- & Sullivan, 2001), as trees are good for es of pleasure and well-being. But be- cardiovascular and respiratory health yond that, research from across Europe (Donovan et al., 2013). Neighborhoods (Nieuwenhuijsen et al., 2017) shows with diverse trees, children have lower that protecting green and blue spaces in asthma rates (Lovasi et al., 2013), and our cities is extremely beneficial to the mothers are less likely to deliver unhealth and wellbeing of citizens. Much dersized babies (Donovan et al., 2011; research supports what we would as- Dadvand et al., 2012). Trees and plants sume to be true—that parks and green remove nitrogen dioxide and particuspaces promote physical activity and are late matter from the air. Cities require thus good for health. They should be de- incidental nature in courtyards and tiny signed to foster creativity, imagination, backyards, on balconies and roof garsocial play, exploration, discovery, and dens, growing up the walls and across vocabulary development. Natural set- the street to soften the harsh environtings have been shown to encourage soment, purify the air, and provide green



-integration between public spaces and the community with the nature - Photo credit: The Stephanie and Fred Shuman

# 2.2- FOUR PILLARS OF IMCL

# + Independent mobility

movie houses, library, restaurants, ca-sidewalks.

Creating a healthy, livable city necessi- fes, workplaces, community services, tates a balanced transportation policy and public transit) are within a 10- or (Topp, 1985) that promotes Active Liv- 20-min walking and biking radius from ing by Design prioritizing walking, bik-home for the majority of the population ing, public transit, and lastly on the car (Crowhurst Lennard & Lennard, 1995; (Active Living by Design n.d.). Taking Ewing & Cervero, 2010). Children must the trips made by children, the elderly, be able to walk to school and around the poor, and the disabled as seriously as their neighborhood, play outdoors, and trips made by working adults help pri- interact with friends and different comoritize healthy, ecological transit modes. munity members. They require freedom Balanced transportation planning is within a safe territory in order to develnot about the movement of vehicles but op independence and spatial skills. The about people and how they get around. City of Freiburg has excelled in inacces-The transportation planner must ac- sibility for pedestrians, bicyclists, and commodate the various trips that we all public transit. They received the IMCL need to make—to school, work, shop- City of Vision Award in 1993 for their ping, the library, or theater—while mak- commitment to the principles of livaing all of them as pleasant, economical, bility and sustainability in planning and healthy, safe, comfortable, simple, and urban design issues and have since reautonomous as possible. The days of ceived numerous awards for livability simply planning transportation plan- and a child-friendly city. The presence of ning on cars are long gone. This policy particular familiar people and commucalls for reshaping suburban areas into nity members shopping and frequenthuman-scale mixed-use neighborhoods ly in nearby cafes is a better reason for so that destinations (school, shops, street safety than simply having wide



-the most important thing is to provide all options for the community not only the easiest one -Source: Paul Kreuger, Dunsmuir Separated Bike Lanes 456. CC BY 2.0.

# 2.2- FOUR PILLARS OF IMCL

# + CREATE A HOSPITABLE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

munity hub, allowing people to form city's and community's characteristics. connections with their neighbors and

Regional Planning: The prevention of feel welcomed in their surroundings as sprawl is critical to our health. Cities they will be around familiar faces. Lewand towns in a region must collabo- is Mumford called for us to plan cellurate to focus new development within lar cities, where the neighborhood is a existing urban boundaries; establish- microcosm of the multifunctional core, ing guidelines for creating 10-minute containing diverse work opportunities, neighborhoods, locating housing close shopping, housing, and all necessary soto jobs, schools, stores, and services; and cial and cultural infrastructure within a prohibit shopping malls and big-box re- short radius. This goal is called in Gertail from being built outside city limits many "Die Stadt der kurzen Wege" (city where they deplete the city's economy of short distances), in England the "Urand generate superfluous traffic. The ban Villages" approach, and in the USA Upper Rhine region, where Germany, "Complete Communities" or "Ten-Min-France, and Switzerland collaborate to ute Neighborhoods." The French Quarachieve these goals, has taken the lead ter in Tübingen; Riesel Feld and Vauban in this area. Compact Urban Fabric: A in Freiburg, Germany; Poundbury in compact, mixed-use urban fabric fosters the UK; and Le Plessis Robinson, on the a strong and diverse social life as well as outskirts of Paris, are all good examples. social and physical health and commer- Above all, we need beautiful locations cial diversity. Contiguous buildings cre- that are squared designed specifically for ate squares by forming continuous walls social life, as hospitable settings that inthat enclose streets. A compact urban vite everyone, that support children play fabric allows a child to walk to school while elders talk, young people flirt, and and for an elder to easily go shopping people shopping; places that residents or run errands with ease. It also makes feel and believe that it is the most beaua viable public transportation system. tiful place on earth because that is where When many errands and trips can be they meet new friends, where commuaccomplished by foot within a small nity festivals took place, and where they radius, community networks develop. are recognized and valued; places that Each suburb's center will serve as a com- encapsulate most of their remarkable

# 2.3- WHY ARE CITIES NOT ACHIEVING THESE HEALTH-RELATED LIVABILITY GOALS?

(GDP IS GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT)

With this model of GDP, the city is seen as an economic engine that affects direct-Lyndon Johnson criticized unbridled growth, which he declared led to a soulvaluing the quality of life above quantipeople do it in a vast way that will harm are the cause of these vast changes in the community. One of the cities that it will be very hard to create a livable community is Extreme capitalism is a vicious cycle: the more high-rise we construct, the more isolated and depressed we feel, the more we consume, and the more dependent we are on the generators of GDP growth, big construction, and big encouraged by the USA to become shinprofit is privatized, and loss is socialized. There is a complete economic improperty, and underinvestment in the pedia n.d.-d), and London's (HPI).

20 2-Livable City.

public realm, and the places in the city that should belong to everyone and that ly the standard of living, There are major represent the "commonwealth." We have flaws in the GDP system. Fifty years ago, seen these unbalanced planning priorities at work for a long time, leading planners to create streets that are inhospitaless wealth. "He elucidated a new dream ble for the pedestrian and the bicyclist. This emphasis on privacy over commuty of stuff" (De Graaf, 2014). But some nity strikes hard at children who have a developmental need to grow up within people as social isolation and depression a thriving community. As a result, children suffer unprecedented levels of loneliness, depression, and shyness, and they fail to develop good social skills. Bullying and violence are also the results of poor social skills. For city-makers, the key to undoing these ills is to focus on the public realm the "common good" the places that connect us, and the way buildings relate to the public realm. The energy. Singapore and Hong Kong were economist Hazel Henderson led this effort with her Quality-of-Life Indicators ing models for Asia and China of what (Ethical Markets, 2017). Other indicacan be achieved through the capitalist tors include the Genuine Progress Insystem, with high-rise construction, dicator (GPI) (Wikipedia n.d.-b), the Canadian Index of Wellbeing (CIW) (Wikipedia n.d.-c), the World Wildlife balance—an overinvestment in private Fund's Living Planet Index (LPI) (Wiki-



-Health urban space for people to be together

# 2.2- COMPARISON BETWEEN IMCL AND **GDP PERSPECTIVES**

by health, happiness, and sustainability. standing for the city system. IMCL pays special attention to children In the end, if we want to make our cities because the environment children grow healthy and livable for all, we must first up in affects all aspects of their devel- make them healthy for the more vulneropment and can damage their physical able—children, elders, the disabled, and and emotional health for the rest of their the poor. If our neighborhoods, towns, IMCL and GDP is very important to not sustainable. A city built on these enhance the life style of the people who are living in the community and help ideal environment for children's physithem to rise a good new generation with cal, mental, and social development and a balanced life because with GDP u will construction industry with some inde- sustainable for all. pences and privacy and low cost of the

IMCL also developed Quality of Life In- life. On the other hand, you can find dicators that state that the goal of the city with IMCL an increasing for the quality is to increase the quality of life, which is of life, health insurance with emphasiznot measured by an economic scale but ing for the humanity and good under-

life. Moreover, the integration between and cities do not sustain them, they are principles of true urbanism provides the generates communities that are healthy, have an efficient economic growth, good ecologically sustainable, and socially

## **GDP**

- · Goal: increase economic growth
- · Focus: construction industry
- · Emphasizes cities as economic machines
- · Stresses enterprise, independence, and privacy
- · Favors most productive groups: neglects those less productive
- · Accepts suffering and marginality as the price for progress
- · Costs of ill health, crime, and social problems are economically valued
- Segregates functions and persons
- · Emphasizes speed and functionality
- Regulation of well-being is by technology
- · High rate of crime, drug, and alcohol use
- · Charges a fee for good experiences

# IMCL quality of life

- Goal: increase quality of life
- Focus: health and well-being
- Emphasizes humanizing and civilizing functions of cities
- · Stresses trust, compassion, mutual responsibility
- · Values wisdom; the understanding of the city as a "system"
- Does not accept suffering as a price
- Human processes are valued
- · Stresses mixed use and heterogeneity of population
- Emphasizes hospitality and accessibility
- Regulation of well-being is by people
- · Low rate of crime and drug and alcohol use
- Emphasizes experiences that are free

-comparison between GDP and IMCL models

<sup>-</sup> Source: Urbanisme I Mobilitat., A. '. E. (2017). Home - PublicSpace. Public Space. https://www.publicspace.org/

# DISCOVERY



## 3- INDIVIDUAL'S CITIES.

THIS CHAPTER IS PROVIDING SOME STRATEGY AND INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS CITY AND HOW TO APPLY IT IN EXISTED CITY BECAUSE IT'S NOT ABOUT COPYING SOME STRATEGY FROM PLACE TO PLACE IT'S ABOUT DETAILS OF EVERY CITY AND HOW TO APPLY THIS STRATEGY IN IT.



# 3.0- EVERYONE'S CITY

Cities are more than mere physical man-centric cities are designed to fa-

structures or modern settlement pat- cilitate positive environmental factors terns. Cities are the places where we and human health determinants. They wake up, live, laugh, love, work, learn, ensure that people feel safe and happy and retire for the night. Such cities can while, at the same time, counteracting be understood as a form of habitat and poverty and dysfunction (Montgomare, in fact, one of the most recent habi- ery, 2013). Furthermore, when planning tats on planet Earth. According to Nab- for the well-being and quality of life of han (1997:3 cited in Steiner 2016: n/p.), individuals, it is not only important to a habitat is "...related to habit, inhabit, pay attention to how our senses come and habitable; it suggests a place worth into play but also how our experiences dwelling in, one that has abiding quali- of urban spaces are determined by our ties." However, in contrast to an animal knowledge of a particular space (Gehl, or a plant habitat, the human habitat re- 1987; Holloway & Hubbard, 2001). mains more or less undefined. In doing which in turn will determine our behavso, we focus primarily on how cities can ior in that specific spatial context. Acbe planned and built in ways that fos- cordingly, positive sensory experiences ter health, quality of life, and prosper- cause positive lived experiences that fosity among urban inhabitants. In cities, ter positive behavior. Imagine revisiting the built environment and urban form one of your favorite places in the city afhave a strong impact on the lives of in- ter being away for a while. The sound, dividuals, their experiences, as well as smell, and sight of a familiar place and their perception of their surroundings, perhaps familiar faces will most likely community, and fellow citizens. Hu- cause you to have some form of positive.



-The way we perceive, experience, and use cities depends on our individual knowledge, background, and personal traits -Source: Livable city. (2004). Livable city MISSION & GOALS. https://www.livablecity.org/

# 3.1- PROVIDING SAFETY AND TRUST

tions, most common security and trust, and worry for oneself or others. Safety conditions such as financial safety and that can be both objectives (e.g., the statistical risk of crime) and subjective (e.g., 2008). Actual safety then is always relcan enhance physical, mental, and social health (Healthy Spaces and Places, 2009). In a study conducted using WHO data from three European cities, a positive correlation between people's per-(Shenassa et al., 2006). In addition to the presence and engagement of individuals in local community manage-

"Safety" encompasses many different no-ment, the design of urban spaces is an important component to catalyze safebut also, absence of risk, crime, fear, ty in the human habitat. Within crime prevention literature, it has been argued can further refer to people's different life that design features such as good lighting conditions, a good overview of the social safety. It is a multifaceted concept space, places to sit, and entrance points of buildings facing the street can help to reduce crime (Loukaitou-Sideris, 2006). individual fear for one's safety) (Heber, Moreover, preventing litter and urban decay, creating safe access points to pubative to people's perception of safety lic spaces through well-designed infra-(ibid.). The safer an area is perceived, the structure and connectivity, as well as safer it becomes, and vice versa. Subjec- facilitating flexible use for different active safety, or the perception of safety, tivities to occur in the same space over is perhaps the most important success a day can reduce crime further (ibid.). criteria of urban planning and design. One must understand how the interplay As an example, if people feel that it is between physical elements, social relasafe to cycle in their neighborhood, the tionships, and interpersonal sensory exlikelihood of them choosing the bike as periences can work together in ways that the mode of transportation is higher. catalyze safety in the human habitat. Perceived safety and social interaction Designing for trust is based upon promoting social interaction and encounters between different people to foster tolerance and respect. Returning to the importance of social relations later, the following is a comparative example of ception of safety and the likelihood of how the interrelationships between peroccasional physical exercise was found ceptions of safety, trust, and physical design manifest differently in two parks in Scandinavia.

# 3.1.1- TRUST BY DESIGN: BADEPARKEN VS. NØRREBROPARKEN

In 2015 CITITEK conducted a study of actively enforces this spatial and sofound that the perception of safety and enced how people utilized it. Our mappings of the use and users of Badeparkchose to spend time only in the north group primarily consisted of seniors, adolescents, and families with young chilthe park had play equipment and benches; interviews also revealed that many people deliberately avoided other areas perceived lack of safety was, for most of these informants, impacted by the ers occupying the central and southwest areas of the park. Through observations and interviews, it became apparent that in any way, to a large degree actively, of behavior that indicated a lack of trust ter the other users. between the two user groups. Furthermore, the physical design of the park

Badeparken in Sandefjord for the Vest- cial division: a tall hedge located in the fold region in Norway, In the study, we middle of the park effectively blocks the overview of the park in its entirety. trust among the users of the park influ- As mentioned, previously, the research emphasizes how lack of overview and presence of visual and physical barriers en revealed that a majority of the users may cause discomfort in public spaces. Furthermore, it has been argued that and northeast parts of the park. This user these types of walls act to inhibit social contact and interaction. In comparison, Nørrebroparken, a popular park in Codren. Besides the fact that this part of penhagen, is a good example of how a nondiscriminatory design approach can provide a public space for a diverse user group. In the park, a designated area was of the park due to feeling unsafe. The established for substance abusers, entailing benches, toilets, and semitransparent fences allowing visual overview presence of a group of substance abus- from the outside in, as well as from the inside out. the physical design promoted visual interaction between different user groups. Results from the study showed these two user groups did not interact that the design seemed to not only cause an enhanced perception of safety among and avoided each other. The result was all users of the park but the substance a spatial division of the park and a type abusers were also perceived to look af-





**BADEPARKEN** 

NORREBROPARKEN

-Badeparken is perceived as unsafe, and the design actively enforces a social and spatial division, while the design of Nørrebroparken, with its unobstructed views, does the opposite, fostering trust and a perception of safety -Source: Livable city. (2004). Livable city MISSION & GOALS. https://www.livablecity.org/

# 3.2- PROVIDING ACTIVE LIVING

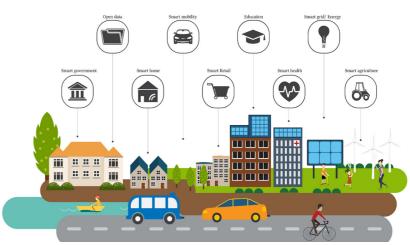
healthy human habitat. The WHO cat-(NCDs), which account for 63% of aninclude chronic diseases such as cancer such as diabetes (type 2) and cardiovascular diseases (WHO, 2013). Physical activity is effectively promoted or discouraged through urban design, for example, pedestrian and bicycle infrato encourage and invite people to live actively. For example, if multiple amenia residence, it is more likely that a citthat harnesses the power of the human body, e.g., walking or cycling (WHO EU, to reduce traffic congestion and harmadvocate this model for transportation policy, and education. Providing access to this type of fast, easy, healthy, and afall urban contexts is and will continue to this type of behavior.

Promoting active living for individu- be an increasingly important determials through urban design is one of the nant of individual health (EEA, 2006). most significant methods of preventing Environments that foster physical acthe presence of diseases and promote a tivity typically center around parks and green spaces, playgrounds, and sports egorizes noncommunicable diseases facilities, as well as walkable and bikeable distances between facilities. Factors nual deaths globally, as urban society's such as safe and cohesive bike and pegreatest public health challenge. NCDs destrian infrastructure additionally impact the prevalence of active transport and asthma but also lifestyle diseases (WHO EU, 2006). Fostering physical activity and spending time outdoors are also ways to encourage social interaction outside the home, in the streets, and public spaces of the city. This type of urban environment also corresponds to structure. Design cannot in itself force basic social and psychological needs and people to exercise, but it has the power mental health. (Fischer, 1995) refers to these needs as social interaction, privacy, stimulation, orientation, safety, and ties and desired destinations are close to identity (Fischer 1995, cited in Troelsen et al., 2008:28-29). Providing urban izen will choose active transportation residents with areas that promote both planned and spontaneous social interaction and physical activity within walking 2017). Cities around the globe seeking or biking distance from one's home is an effective way of catalyzing active living ful emissions and improve public health in the human habitat. This of course necessitates a profound understanding of through related infrastructure, public the types of social, cultural, and personal factors that motivate people's choice of active living and, accordingly, the urban fordable mode of transportation across design and infrastructure that promote

# 3.2.1- HEALTH BY DESIGN

Creating bikeable and walkable neigh- 2013; Rasmussen, 2013). This is an exfamous Queen Louise's Bridge in Copenhagen, it became apparent that many shortcut over the pedestrian sidewalk to municipality chooses to facilitate this berather traffic avoidance. The result was ed through pedestrian crossings over safe mobility among the local youth. the bike lane (Københavns Kommune,

borhoods is an important step toward ample of local governance that not only ensuring more active societies and a makes active transportation an easihealthier population. To create a safe er choice but also facilitates urban life. and user-friendly design that nurtures With the overall purpose of facilitating positive changes in behavior, we need to these types of positive changes to the urunveil the social and physical factors that ban environment, CITITEK conducted contribute to promoting walking and cy- a study on behalf of Ørsta municipality, cling. When cyclists' movement patterns Norway, in 2016. We mapped the movewere mapped at the intersection by the ment patterns of children and youth to understand the factors that both hinder and promote their active transportation. cyclists chose to break the law by taking a By allowing informants to draw and talk about their movements and experiences, bypass a busy intersection. Rather than it was possible to identify and create an penalizing these cyclists, Copenhagen overview of real-life, real-time vehicular traffic and infrastructure challenges, as havior by formalizing the shortcut, as it well as concrete suggestions to improvewas evident that the cause of this behav- ments in infrastructure. The study from ior was not reckless thoughtlessness, but Ørsta did not only give voice to a demographic group that is often overlooked the better utility of the space, reduced in planning processes, but the findings travel time for cyclists, and more space also provided the municipality of Ørsta for those who bike on the surrounding with information that will allow them streets. Pedestrians were accommodat- to more accurately plan for healthy and



-At the end you can find how is every place has different way to be a livable place therefore, it's so important to know what the way that will fit with the people who are living in this area not to take a certain case to apply as it's without any modification according to some factors such as people needs, weather and location. -Source: Livable city. (2004). Livable city MISSION & GOALS. https://www.livablecity.org/

# 3.3- PROVIDING SOCIAL CAPITAL

this definition, we can say the capitalization of the urban will help a lot to develop the society into two ways the individpublished in 2013, Montgomery discusses how several quality-of-life studies indicate that an increase in social interaca rise in income. Consequently, the popfrom an urban environment that encourages social interaction by inviting people to linger, converse, and live. As such, the urban environment can encourage of security, orientation, and opportunities for interaction through solitary and

Using Bourdieu's definition, social cap-social activities (Troelsen et al., 2008). ital can be understood as resources The human need for socializing covers linked to the durable network of rela- both spontaneous and planned interactionships gained from membership of a tions of differing natures. One way of group, both individually and collectively facilitating both these types of meetings owned (Bourdieu, 1986). According to is to create gradual transitions between private, semi-private, and public spaces (Gehl, 1987) as these transitions are argued to promote social appropriation, a ual and social because it will increase the sense of belonging, and perceived safety face-to-face interactions between people (Haijer & Reijndorp, 2001). (Franck & but at the same time it will create a node Stevens, 2007) draw on Lefebvre's "right between the social networks in the zone to the city" and the "right to habit and so the designer will be able to connect inhabit" when they argue for what they everything by this node with of course call "loose space." Loose space is a public a function uses. In his book Happy City space that facilitates activities that they are not intended for. In this way, they allow for people themselves to appropriate the space for their uses and unexpected tions can equal or surpass the benefits of and unintended activities (Franck & Stevens, 2007; Haijer & Reijndorp, 2001). ulation of local neighborhoods benefits One example of this type of appropriation is Queen Louise's Bridge in Copenhagen, which after a renovation process aimed at improving conditions for cyclists and pedestrians unintentionally social interaction by providing a sense turned it into one of the most popular hangout spots in Copenhagen.



-People start to use the bridge according to what they need not what they have, they started to use the railings as seats because the seats were few.

# 3.3.1- SOCIAL CAPITAL BY DESIGN: CAIRO PASSAGEWAYS

consequence of the Egyptian Revolution, During the Spring of 2014, Bianca Herinvited by Cairo Lab for Urban Studies, Training and Environmental Research (CLUSTER) to participate in the develdowntown Cairo, starting with two pilot projects, the Kodak, and the Philips experiences for people using the pasactivated with different types of cultural in the aftermath of the Arab Spring, the more than ten people (Human Rights even a wedding took place. Watch, 2013). In CITITEK's winning

In 2014, the city of Cairo was marred concept for the pilot project, this prohiby financial and political instability as a bition was embraced by removing onethird of the paving in the passageway to satisfy city officials. Now, in theory, mansen, together with a group of Danish space would appear to become less puband Egyptian architects and artists, was lic and effectively discourage large gatherings. However, the socio-spatial consequence would be the opposite. While discouraging many people to gather at opment of a democratic urban plan for the same place, the Kodak passageway monofunctional stone paving was replaced by a lush green parklet, where Passageways. The project aimed to "...de- narrow paths connecting small subspacvelop an urban design and art project... es were designed to foster the rebuilding highlighting existing and emerging ini- of community and neighbor-to-neightiatives activating underutilized public bor trust. Subsequently, this would inspaces...", While emphasizing diversity, crease social capital, which is the main inclusivity, safety, and positive sensory driver of rebuilding and reinventing the human habitat of Cairo. Observations afsageways both indoor and outdoor were ter the implementation of the new passageway design showed not only an inprograms and designs to revitalize the crease in the number of people using the public spaces (ibid.). As a consequence space but first and foremost an increase of the many riots and demonstrations in the diversity of activities at different times of the day. People would no longer Egyptian government had in 2014 en- just walk or stand in the area, but stayforced a law-sanctioning gathering of ingactivities such as cultural events and

<sup>-</sup> Photo credit: R.J. Lawrence

# -Some changes in the Egyptian streets -Source: Habitat for Humanity Egypt. (1998). Habitat for Humanity - Egypt. https://www.habitategypt.org/

# 3.4- PROVIDING INNER COMMUNITY

manage individuality and society to dethat the two scales should be understood as independent of one another. The city needs to be designed for everyone can minimal adaption. The well-designed built environment fosters strong social cohesion as well as individual mental and physical well-being and human habitat. The relationships that manifest influenced by human-environment insign of the city. Thus, the inevitable presadays.

While the previous points were talking ence of a variety of social populations in about individuality and how could we a city, including both socioeconomically manage it for an individual part in the privileged and underprivileged groups, society and human habitat but these children and seniors, etc., means that points we will focus on how we can equity in access to the health needs to be emphasized within the urban and transsign the human habitat on a social scale. port planning agenda. The perspectives However, this division does not mean of sustainable development and the significant influence of social inequality on future generations mean that it is imperative to assess, address, and mitigate encompass all different user groups with the impact of inequality-related action and policies for future generations. In the end, to design the community you need to mix the individual needs with the whole society to have a well and connected design, therefore you need themselves between people and place at to consider the needs of everyone in the one scale will always influence and be community to have a good environment and equality in the social life and also to teractions at other scales (Holloway & have a good connection between all ages Hubbard, 2001). Just as for the individ- that you have in the community and ual, the health and well-being of social avoid the segregation that maybe you groups are also affected by the urban de- will find it in some communities now-



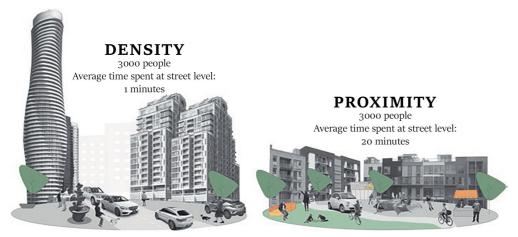
-Well-designed city for everyone together in the same place to build a good environment in the community between people and different ages.

-Source: Habitat for Humanity Egypt. (1998). Habitat for Humanity - Egypt. https://www.habitategypt.org/

# 3.4.1- PROXIMITY DESIGN

distinguished by leapfrog patterns of cial ties, trust, and civic engagement, for development, commercial strips, low example, almost 10% of people decline density, separated land uses, automo- social activities for every 10 minutes bile dominance, and a minimum of driving. Considering the destructive public open space," as defined by Gillham (2002:383), is one of the greatest life and livability, in our opinion, urchallenges our contemporary cities are ban sprawl has no place in the human trying to overcome after previous "unplanned" or "ad hoc" urban planning. Urban sprawl is indisputably the least health-promoting urban design stratenvironmentally, socially, and economically sustainable form of urban development, and yet it has made its mark on cities, small and large, across the world (Ewing et al., 2003; Gargiulo et al., 2012). From a human habitat perspective, urban sprawl should be considered a major threat to the public health and wellbeing of urban citizens. First, sprawl facilitates car dependency causing not only sedentary and physical inactivity but also enhanced levels of air pollution green spaces, decision-makers can enand climate change, which both, directly sure a human habitat when planning for and indirectly, affect the presence of diseases and epidemics (Frumkin, 2002). The second, but perhaps more debated argument is criticized suburbanization healthy food.

Urban sprawl, "a form of urbanization and urban sprawl for deteriorating soand harmful consequences for urban habitat. According to its advocates, the compact city promises a sustainable and egy, which will bring life and activity back to urban centers and prevent further sprawl, Yet, the health benefits of the compact city is not only depending on the density of people but also on the degree of mixed-use and proximity. For this paper, there is an important distinction to make between the two. Here, density considers numeral content, e.g., the number of people, businesses, services, and public spaces including squares and and designing neighborhoods. Below two examples of the importance of planning for proximity for green space and



-While density considers numeral content within an area, proximity is concerned with the access to and relationship and distance between people, businesses, services, etc. in an area. -Source: -Livable city. (2004). Livable city MISSION & GOALS. https://www.livablecity.org/

# 3.5- PROVIDING DIVERSITY

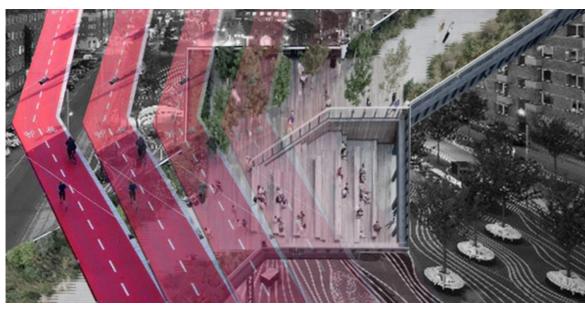
On a societal scale, the human habitat bringing together of different types of consists of the total sum of all its indiacknowledged as promoting rich and resilient, and allowing all organisms to adapt to change (Steiner, 2016). Correspondingly, it is inherently important that the human habitat also encompass diversity. The spatial layout and design of urban spaces need to cater to different groups of people across geographical, demographic, and socioeconomic divides. According to WHO in 2014, socioeconomic status, both on a national and regional level, is proportional to factors such as life expectancy, healthy life years, and child mortality rate, where higher socioeconomic status increases the likelihood of higher life expectancy, etc. Evidence increasingly suggests that socially underprivileged people and those who live in neighborhoods of lower socioeconomic status have limited opportunities for outdoor activity. This requires planning for diversity along two parallel lines. First, planning for diversity in the human habitat entails creating equal access to amenities, recreational facilities, and opportunities for active living across all types of urban neighborhoods. Second, to achieve community building, social cohesion, and diversity, the human habitat also needs to facilitate the habitats.

people at the local level. Thus, at the core viduals from all population groups. In of planning for diversity is the idea of a the field of natural sciences, diversity is nondiscriminatory, inclusive approach to how we plan and design the human healthy habitats, enabling systems to be habitat. One measure that can help combat health inequality and allow for all citizens' equal access to health-promoting resources and facilities is universal design. As defined by the United Nations article in 2017, "Universal design means the design of products, environments, programs, and services to be usable for all people, to the greatest extent possible, without the need for adaptation or specialized design." The definition builds on a democratic principle where all citizens have the same rights and equal opportunities for participating in society. In this way, rather than providing homogenous solutions, universal design is concerned with collective benefits and recognizing diversity. A study from Copenhagen, for example, found that despite the fact that approximately the same number of men and women were passing through three selected public spaces (Charlotte Ammundsens plads & Prags Boulevard & Multipladsen), male users were found to have higher physical activity level than female users (Copenhagen Municipality, 2011). Co-creation and citizen participation are essential tools for achieving universal design and democratic human

# 3.5.1- ACCEPT THE DEMOCRATIC CHANGE

have the capability of providing someonly when, they are created by everybody." As relevant today the quote underlines the importance of introducing a human-centric, inclusive, and local apour cities. While many features of cities may be comparable across space, the human habitat should not be treated as a blueprint that can be copied and pasted human habitat requires careful considlocal context to which they are intendphysical, social, and cultural identities to their needs and social life then.

As Jacobs (1961b:238) stated, "Cities that define a place to shape the collaborative process of strengthening the conthing for everybody, only because, and nection between a place and its people, it processes attempts to utilize community assets and potentials that can contribute to health and satisfaction when creating public spaces (PPS, 2017). It's not only proach to how we design and organize about democratic changes from a city to another according to some aspects in the human habitat and community but also about time effect and future changes that may occur, as it is seen and touched from city to city, rather planning for the nowadays, design an outdoor place for the people now it's different than 50 eration and tailoring of solutions to the years before or before COVID-19 for example, everything was designed without ed. This, again, requires tapping into any kind of precautionary consideration the local knowledge, resources, and ex- but now that is to be highly considered periences of the individuals who reside for future outdoor spaces designs enain this human habitat. In our work, we bling them to function in such periods. have found placemaking to be a founda- Therefore, we always need to put a demtional tool in co-creating the democratic ocratic change in our design and make city. Placemaking maximizes shared val- it more flexible for people to be able to ues in the public realm by allowing the change it our use it differently according



-Cities have been changed according what people needs through the time -Source: Goodey, B. (1997). Public Spaces - Public Life. URBAN DESIGN International, 2(1), 61-62. https://doi. org/10.1057/udi.1997.8

# 3.5.2- RESPECT THE HUMAN HABITAT

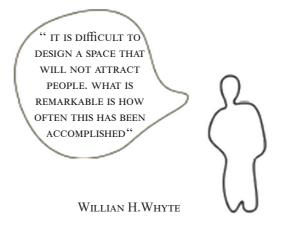
we need to understand the factors at be understood as an important tool to play when analyzing the way people perceive and use their surrounding en- havior and experiences as well as public vironment. This should first and fore- health and well-being. The guidelines most be done through in-depth research and catalyzers presented in this chapter and data collection that will allow an are to be seen as tools to push the urban empirically grounded understanding of design, planning, and transport agenda people-place interactions at a local lev- forward globally to develop and co-creel. In our experience, using empirical ate our cities for the human habitat. By data as the foundation for urban design following these guidelines, we hope that makes it difficult for any policymaker, , together, we can accelerate the process municipality, or practitioner to ignore of designing cities applicable for everythe needs, desires, and voices of the cit- one.

If we are to create cities for everyone, izens. Consequently, urban design is to promote and foster positive human be-



- The guiding principles for designing for the human habitat -Source: Goodey, B. (1997). Public Spaces - Public Life. URBAN DESIGN International, 2(1), 61-62. https://doi. org/10.1057/udi.1997.8

# DISCOVERY



## 4- COMPLETE STREET & THE 15 MINUTES CITY.

IT'S THE FIRST STEP OF COMPLETING THE CITIES TO BE A PEOPLE-FRIENDLY NOT AUTO-MOBILE CENTRE PLANNING BY ADD MORE DETAILS AND ACTIVITIES IN STREETS AND CHANGE IT TO MIXED-USE FOR ACHIEVING 15 MINUTES CITY. SO, IT'S NOT A ONE-STEP IT'S A CONSEQUENTIAL PROCESS.



# 4.1- MEANING OF COMPLETE STREET & 15 MINUTES CITY.

Following decades of automobile-cen- mixed-use, and walkable neighbourto reimagine and redesign their streets to looking to develop infrastructure that be safer and more inviting for everyone, will support active modes of transpornot just automobiles. Several approach- tation that are better suited to shorter es to articulating this more human-centrips around one's neighbourhood This tric vision for cities have emerged, all includes, in addition to bike infrastrucwith the same goal in mind: streets that ture, the development of smaller, more are safer, more inviting, more accessible, self-sufficient neighbourhoods throughand healthier for pedestrians and cy- out the city. This is where the 15 Minclists. Since 2010, The Centre for Active ute City enters the picture. This report for Complete Streets as streets that are the 15 Minute City concept, as well as safe for everyone, including people who how the Complete Streets concept is walk, bike, take public transportation, or an effective and necessary strategy for drive, as well as people of all ages and achieving the 15 Minutes City. Whereas abilities. The concept of the 15-Minute the 15 Minute City strategy focuses on City is the most recent urban trend that creating interesting places to visit, Comis becoming increasingly popular in cit-plete Streets focuses on providing policy ies around the world. To be clear, the 15 and design tools to ensure that the roads Minute City is not a new type of city in to get there are safe and comfortable. In the same way that the popular garden essence, streets that are safe, inviting, city movement of the early twentieth and accessible for walking and cycling century or the development of suburbs (the core concepts underlying Complete the 15 Minute City is a collection of the concept of decentralized, diverse, concepts already familiar in the realm and vibrant neighbourhoods that proof urban planning, packaged under the vide multiple needs to residents close to overarching concept of high density, their homes.

tric planning, cities have recently begun hoods. Concurrently, municipalities are Transportation (TCAT) has advocated intends to demonstrate the benefits of in the 1940s and 1950s were. Rather, Streets) are required for the success of

# 4.2- WHY THE 15 MINUTES CITY IS DIFFERENT?

principles:

is provided for residents of each area.

types, sizes and affordability levels to economic value. accommodate a wide range of types of

The concept of the 15 Minute City is households, enabling more people to straightforward: residents should be able live closer to their workplaces. The clean to access their basic needs such as food, air, free from harmful air pollutants and healthcare, work, green space, and so on green places to enjoys everyone in the within a 15-minute commute from their area are available to residents from all home. Walking or cycling is referred to neighbourhoods. The presence of smallas commuting in this context; cars are er agencies, retail and hospitality as well largely absent from this discussion. Anne as co-working spaces can enable more Hidalgo, the Mayor of Paris and her conpeople to work near home or remotely. sultant Carlos Moreno are the vocal fans Whilst the term 15 Minute City for the of this idea. Moreno believes that our six urban planning scene is rather new, its social fundamental functions of "living, concepts are not. In the past, they were working, providing, caring, training and called "comprehensive communities" or enjoyment" should be carried out more "the 20-minute district" and represent a closely at home to ensure that the hap- trend to decentralize urban life for neighpier citizens participate more closely in bourhoods to meet multiple daily needs. their communities' wellbeing. The Inter- These elements are already embedded in national Coalition of 97 cities committed the urban fabric of many cities. Qualities to building sustainable urban environ- like buil t environment greenness, walkments outlines four key 15 Minute City ing and cycling capabilities as well as low traffic levels, a mix of land uses, compact 1-Easy access to goods and services, es- neighbourhoods and convenient access pecially food, fresh food, and healthcare to a good public transport system have a very strong positive association with a 2- Each area has a range of housing place's health, social, environmental and



- -An example of Paris' Street redesign for the 15 Minute City vision. Headlines read:
- 1) An intersection transformed into a neighbourhood square.
- 2) A space for togetherness for the neighbourhood.
  - 3) Games for children.
    - 4) A garden to share.

5) Freshness and renewable energy. -Source: RTF, Rethinking the Future. (2021, November 2). RTF | Rethinking the Future | Architecture Awards | Competitions | Stories. https://www.re-thinkingthefuture.com/

# 4.3- CONSEQUENCES OF THE INTEGRATION BETWEEN **COMPLETE STREET & 15 MINUTES CITY**

Complete Streets is a design concept gible, objective and therefore measurconcept of Complete Streets enters. 15 minutes City provides the most tan- they do not already do so.

developed around 2009 by municipal able qualities for all variables which and provincial governments. Complete are determined to bring 'quality' to the Streets aims at redesigning the street place. And the 15 Minute City has four to include all road users and cyclists in key features: transport, density, divera conversation dominated for a long sity and proximity. These qualities are, time by drivers. This can come in the thanks to their tangibility and objectivform of bike paths, broader sidewalks, ity and therefore measurability, some more greenery, etc. Complete Streets of the simplest strategies to integrate is a complementary approach for the into urban policy, so that future design construction of the 15 Minute City, as governance can improve effectively the an urban planning concept. Essential- quality of a place. In this idea, active ly, the 15-minute town is an effort that transport plays a big part. Reducing the allows everybody to walk or cycle from time spent on basic services by develtheir daily needs within a 15-minute oping walking and cycling facilities has walk. In essence, the 15 Minute City is the potential to reduce car pollution and an effort to enable everyone to be with- spare more time. Although walking and in a 15-minute walk or bicycle ride from cycling time is generally understood to their everyday needs. To do so, there represent the 15 minutes in the 15-minneeds to be attractive, safe, and acces- ute city, the core principles lack the desible infrastructure to encourage more tail to show how cities successfully can walking and cycling. This is where the transition into attractive and safe areas for pedestrians and bike enthusiasts if



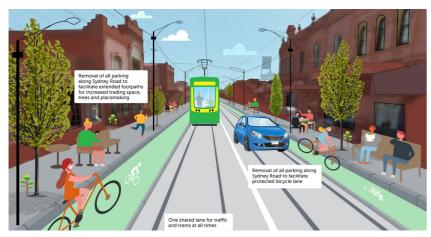


-Here you can find the differences between the usage of the street before and after and how with the development of the street you can find a lane for bikes and sidewalks for people as well.

# **4.3.1- INFRASTRUCTURE (SAFETY)**

jor benefit of the Complete Street in- lanes, and new crosswalks—that saw a frastructure. Complete Street strategies 75% decrease in speeding drivers and can reduce traffic deaths and injuries an 80% decrease in pedestrian-vehicle through the use of street design. Nine collisions along one street, and speeding projects were evaluated in Complete falling by two-thirds with a 23% decrease Street Transformations in the Greater in total collisions along with another. Golden Horseshoe Region where streets Quality of infrastructure also matters for were redesigned to provide space for pethere to be lasting and impactful change. destrians, bikers and transit users. The For instance, bike lanes come with a authors concluded that the Complete wide range of options that differ vastly in Street redesigns were primarily success- terms of safety and perceived comfort; a ful in achieving the goals of increasing painted bike lane along a busy corridor the number of people cycling and walk- will not have the same impact as a lane ing and improving safety by compiling separated by a green median. The City of evidence from before and after changes Vancouver is a municipality with severwere made to each street. Smart Growth al design guidelines that optimize safety America discovered that "the majority of and comfort for cycling routes. To ensure roads with Complete Streets features had that its developments meet the standfewer collisions and fewer injuries after ards of comfort and security described their retrofits than before," with approxi- in this classification system, cities that mately 70% of project areas experiencing have vague commitments to bicycles a reduction in collisions and approxi- and pedestrian safety need this level of mately 56% experiencing a reduction in attention and detail. To incorporate deinjuries. For example, the Seattle Depart- tailed security elements into their stratment of Transportation implemented egy, cities may put in place a Complete Complete Streets infrastructure—reduc- Street strategy in tandem with an overall ing the number of travel lanes from four 15-minute city plan.

Added safety for all road users is a ma- to two, adding a centre turn lane, bike

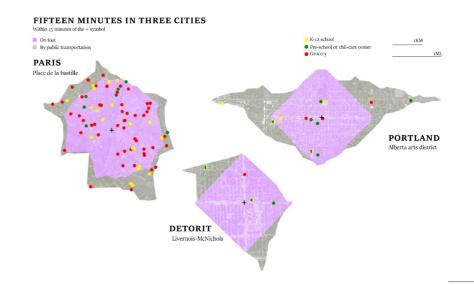


-the basic design of new infrastructure to start up the design of 15 minutes city. -Source: Bicycle Network. (2015). Bicycle Network | Making bike riding easier for everyone. SEPARATED CYCLE-WAYS. https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/

# 4.3.2- INFRASTRUCTURE (NEIGHBOURHOOD CONTEXT)

the right infrastructure must be availatogether for the two to succeed. Indeed, the success of 'hyper proximity' cominfrastructure for these short hiking and cycling trips is multimodal and quality-friendly. The 15 Minute City is essentially about active modes of transportaof accessibility. Walking, cycling, or tak-

The development of spaces for pedestri- of cycling infrastructure or widening ans and cycling is crucial for the success sidewalks will not increase the use of of dense communities to foster walking these modes. Yes, they will most likely abilities and integral micro-mobility. If see an increase in walking and cycling daily amenities are to be reached within rates as a result of the more appealing 15 minutes by walk or bike from home, street designs. However, if there are no destinations along these routes, they ble to facilitate those commutes. Thus, are unlikely to attract users who were full road infrastructure supports the not previously walking or cycling along 15-minute cities vision, which must exist with them. (Hui et al., 2017) Authors argue that the goals of a Complete Street go beyond providing safe transportamunities means not simply increased tion for all users, and they go on to prourban density but also the fact that the pose an alternative definition in which a street's functionality is dependent on the fulfilment of at least three competing demands: movement, environment, and place. Indeed, designing a complete tion and increasing an area's catchment street to fulfil the place function necessitates an understanding of the street's ing public transportation offer different relationships with the buildings and catchment areas ranging from one to spaces that frame it, providing a wide two kilometres, five to seven kilometres, range of services in a densely packed or ten to fifteen kilometres, respectively. environment. (The 15 Minute City): Implementing Complete Streets designs around streets designed for safe active into these catchment areas can help sup- travel while (Complete Streets): attempt port the goals of the 15 Minute City in to bridge the gap between the complete lasting ways. Incorporating kilometres Street policy and the need for placement.



-Catchment areas differing by travel mode with surrounding amenities. Note the difference in density of services and thus the feasibility of the 15 Minute City idea in each context.

-Source: CITY OF VAN-COUVER. (2017, MARCH). "Transportation Design GUIDELINES: ALL AGES AND ABILITIES CYCLING ROUTES." CITY OF VANCOUVER

# 4.3.3- SOCIAL LIFE (DENSITY AND DIVERSITY)

these interactions, simply put the more an important strategy.

The Complete Streets and the 15-minute walkable neighbourhood the easier it is town concept promotes urban road life, to casually bump into one's neighbour which is more attractive and thus more and engage in conversationDense and livable for everyday people, by taking mixed neighbourhoods can have a posinto account road users outside the pri- itive impact on the sense of living and vate sector. The public space is animated satisfaction of people. Densely populated and encouraged to stay in neighbour- districts have shown a positive associahoods as well as in the streets by human tion with satisfaction in the neighbourdesign processes, like street furniture, hood as easy access to amenities, public wood and a broad pedestrian right of transport and other areas. Past studies way. Complete Streets, through these urhave shown that high accessibility affects ban design policies, contribute to more living standards and high density should opportunities to form networks and in- be coupled with other important aspects teractions that inspire trust and reciproc- such as access to larger urban networks, ity, also known as social capital. Since safety, urban greenery and access to pub-Oldenburg's work in 1989, research has lic spaces to make living more accessible proven what he hypothesized: Walka- in the context of COVID-19, people are ble, mixed-use neighbourhoods generate more isolated that never before, a promore social capital than car-dependent posal in Toronto is aimed at making of neighbourhoods, with elements like the the current surfeit parking landscape and density of a neighbourhood and acces- big box-shops a mixed-use communisibility to a variety of social and recreaty with a new pedestrian-friendly street tional facilities influencing the quality of grid that increases social living quality is



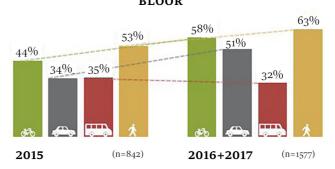
- Social diversity is the base of any community analysis and development, therefore we need always to consider it perfectly to have a proper design at the end

# 4.3.4- ECONOMIC ACTIVITY

Complete Streets and the 15 Minute easily walk or ride their bikes to near-This could be because residents are more observed in the United States. likely to shop locally when they can

City have the potential for improving a by stores. The Centre for Active Transneighbourhood's livability, and thus the portation (TCAT) discovered in a 2017 city's. They also have the potential to study of Bloor Street in Toronto's Annex boost economic vitality both within and and Koreatown neighbourhoods that afaround a revitalized neighbourhood. ter the implementation of new protect-Dario Hidalgo, the senior mobility re- ed bike lanes, the number of customers searcher at the World Resource Institute's and spending increased for businesses, Ross Centre for Sustainable Cities, re- with customers arriving on foot or by cently stated that increased walking and bike reporting higher levels of spendcycling have the potential to allow small ing than those arriving by car or public businesses in a neighbourhood to thrive. transit. This can be attributed to the fact Neighbourhoods with the infrastructure that people on bikes, like people on foot, to support walking and cycling activity are mostly locally-based, and as a result, allow a given community to connect to they tended to visit more frequently and a larger network beyond its immediate spend more per month than drivers or area through the use of interconnected transit users. In essence, spending was bike lanes, longer distances of walkable related to proximity, wherein visiting streets, and so on. This has been shown more results in more spending, and loto correlate with an area's attractiveness, cally-based visitors were 2.6 times more with properties located on access roads likely to spend at least \$100 per month, or in well-connected neighbourhoods The bike lane was the driving force bebeing more highly valued than their hind this positive economic change; the less-connected counterparts. Some fac- new infrastructure encouraged more tors, such as urban greenery, open space people to walk or cycle to their destinaprovision, and built environment qualtion, with cycling rates tripling from 7% ities such as walkability, connectivity, to 20% and walking rates remaining the and so on, have resulted in significant most popular mode at 48% along Bloor private and public economic benefits. Street. The same phenomenon has been

# **VISITOR SPENDING BLOOR**



- Changes in the Percentage of Visitors Spending \$100 or More, by Travel Choice on Bloor and Danforth.
- -Source: Smith Lea, N., Hess P., Quigley, B. & Loewen, N. (2016). "Complete Street Transformations in the Greater Golden Horseshoe Region." Toronto: Clean Air PARTNERSHIP.

# 4.4- THE 15 MINUTES CITY IN CANADA: OTTAWA

promote sustainable communities. To longing. achieve this, the city recommends that

The City of Ottawa is one of the first Ca-housing be located near local shops and nadian towns to include the 15-minute services, with a street and pathway nettower explicitly in their plans. Ottawa has work that encourages active transporproposed five major policy amendments, tation and discourages local car trips, entitled 'Five Big Moves,' in their new to promote community health, sustain-2021 Official Plan. Within the 15-Min- ability, and economic vibrancy. Efforts ute City, these policies relate to the over- to reduce private vehicle use should not all growth management of greenhouse only focus on reducing parking spaces; gas emissions, urban and community increasing alternative modes of transdesign and the climate, energy and pub-portation—and the street environments lic health, focusing on intensification, in which they occur—has the potential growth management strategies. A case to be successful as well. As a result, Otstudy on the context of Ottawa is use- tawa asserts that focusing urban growth ful in understanding the concepts of the on the development or consolidation of 15-minute city in the North American 15-minute neighbourhoods is a fundacontext. A successful 15-minute neigh- mental strategy for structurally altering bourhood would ideally be a variety of existing patterns. The most recent is the land uses including a variety of residen- 2019 Designing Neighbourhood Collectial spaces, shops, services, local food tor Streets document, which is a compreaccess, schools, jobs, parks, green areas hensive policy guidance document with and trails. The planned intensification a "Complete Streets' focus." One of the must therefore also take into account the principles guiding the design of Neighavailability of these services and ameni- bourhood Collector Streets is compactties. This strategy is included in Ottawa's ness, which states that "the right-of-way policy document stating that 15-minute width and distance between opposing walkable neighbourhoods will help re- building faces are minimised to help fosduce car reliance, promote health, and ter a sense of safety and community be-



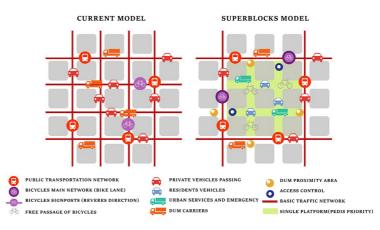
-Well designed and connected bike lanes as a starting point of applying the 15-minute city in Canada -source: Bicycle Network. (2015). Bicycle Network | Making bike riding easier for everyone. SEPA-RATED CYCLEWAYS. https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/

# 4.5- CRITIQUES AND FUTURE DRAWBACKS 4.5.1- IGNORING THE SUBURBS

home. While COVID-19 has significant-quired. ly altered or eliminated many workers'

When discussing urban density, it is commuting patterns, many must still atcommon for people to ignore the sub- tend work in person. Many low-income urban environments entirely. Discus- workers, who are often the lifeblood of sions about the 15 Minute City are no the urban core, can only afford to live on different. Cities that have successfully the outskirts of town in this case. As a implemented the 15 Minute City con-result, the 15-minute concept will have cept, such as Barcelona and Paris, can to grapple with issues of social equity, be found in Europe, where dense urban particularly affordable housing. The idea living has been a part of the urban fab- of reclaiming city streets from vehicular ric for hundreds of years, with built-in traffic and converting them to pedestimes when walking, cycling, and public trian or cycling-only zones may create transportation were the primary modes a new issue of diverting congestion to of transportation. However, when ap- other major roads. This may necessitate plied to cities in North America or Ausa additional investments in surrounding tralia, where the convenience of cars roads to handle increased traffic. This has resulted in the growth of sprawling has emerged as a concern in Barcelona suburban communities, the basic urban with the development of its Superblocks; function of density and having ameni- there is a risk that traffic will be diverted ties within walking distance is far out of to less desirable areas of the city. Howreach what about those who live in the ever, while this was raised as a potential suburbs but commute to the city centre? disadvantage of the Superblock model, The 15 Minute City concept largely ig- there has been no evidence of this ocnores suburban commuters in favour of curring thus far Notwithstanding, if this living, working, and entertaining within effect occurs in other cities with heavier a short distance of one's home. Howev- vehicle traffic, additional interventions er, not everyone has the opportunity to to discourage private vehicle transporwork within a 15-minute radius of their tation throughout the city may be re-

# SUPERBLOOK MODEL



- Barcelona's Superblocks, while beneficial for its residents, might reduce viable through fares and thus worsen traffic for the city's outer residents.
- -Source: K. E. Portney, G. S. (2019). Livable Cities: Concepts and Role in Improving Health. In M. Nieuwenhuijsen & H. Khreis (Eds.), Integrating Human Health into Urban and Transport Planning (pp. 40–131). Springer Publishing.

# 4.5.2 GENTRIFICATION CONCERNS

Streets projects. In a survey of Complete ment of complete communities.

The impact of green gentrification has Streets projects across the United States, become an increasingly popular topic of eight out of ten projects saw increased research in recent years. This is defined property values along Complete Streets as "urban gentrification processes...aid- corridors. In one case study, the adjaed in large part by the creation or rescent property values increased by 80 % toration of an environmental amenity." following the construction of the Com-Access to green space, according to re-plete Street infrastructure in Orlando, search, is a positive driver of residential Florida. A survey of 15 US immobilisaproperty values and strengthens an artion markets also showed an additional ea's identity as an attractive and desirable \$700 to \$3000 increase in domestic valplace to work, live, and visit. This can be ues as measured in WalkScore.com, a expanded to include the effects of cre- mere one-point increase in walking caating more walkable and livable neigh- pacity. Similarly, the addition of cycling bourhoods. More pedestrian and cycling infrastructure or road greenery proved spaces can raise property values, potento increase the neighbourhood property tially influencing gentrification and the values. Gentrification is a potential risk displacement of a neighbourhood's orig- that neighbourhoods may attract greatinal residents. A study conducted in Bos- er upper-class attractions and lead to inton discovered that property values were creased rents and the relocation of their positively associated with transit and job inhabitants. However, this is not mean accessibility, connectivity, and walkabil- that cities should not invest in Complete ity (Diao & Ferreira, 2010). Households Streets infrastructure, however, having living in areas within walking distance access to green space within walkable of public transportation pay a higher and attractive communities should not premium for easy access to jobs, walka- only be accessible to the wealthy. To keep bility, and connectivity to the rest of the these features accessible to all income city. This phenomenon has been demongroups, municipal governments should strated further by examining the afteref- consider developing an anti-gentrificafects of newly implemented Complete tion policy in tandem with the develop-



-Well-designed zone is always a potential spot for the upper class to make their life easier and comfort -source: Bicycle Network. (2015). Bicycle Network | Making bike riding easier for everyone. SEPARATED CYCLEWAYS. https://www.bicyclenetwork.com.au/

# 4.6 TODAY'S CONTEXT

Many people's travel habits have shrunk for multiple users, uses, and modes. Crivehicle use, and more walking and cy- amount of time spent travelling to baleisure facilities. C40 envisions a world the 15-minute city concept is widely unall residents living in 15-minute cities' successfully transition their neighbourquality of active streets, not only quantity to ensure a smooth transition, near- for living, working, or leisure. by amenities and active transportation

Following the COVID-19 virus out- infrastructure are required. While not break in March 2020, cities worldwide explicitly mentioning Complete Streets, are looking for new ways to embrace these concepts effectively advocate for life and work on a neighbourhood scale. the same outcome: streets that are safe significantly as more people work from ses, such as the COVID-19 pandemic, home. Many people are now shopping provide a once-in-a-lifetime opportuniand using services in their immediate ty to rediscover proximity in the context neighbourhood, which means less use of of what neighbourhoods can do for their long-distance modes of transportation, residents. This concept heavily relies such as public transportation or private on active transportation. Reducing the cling. Street space previously dedicated sic amenities by developing walking and to cars has been freed up in some cit- cycling infrastructure has the potential ies, reducing pollution and making way to reduce car pollution and free up more for gardens, bike lanes, and sports and time for other different activities. While after COVID-19 in which all city residerstood to represent walking and cydents will have access to resilient, sus- cling travel time, the core principles of tainable public services," facilitated by the concept lack detail on how cities can where shops, workspaces, and essential hoods into those that are attractive and services are easily reached within a short safe for pedestrians and cyclists, if they cycle or walk, surrounded by plenty of are not already. When combined with green spaces where they can relax, exer- Complete Streets, the 15 Minute City can cise, and play. However, the quality of the close these gaps and evolve into a more short cycle or walk is only briefly men- holistic and multidisciplinary strategy. tioned in this report including Complete The goal is to reimagine cities as "mosa-Streets in any COVID-19 recovery plans ics of neighbourhoods" where they can brings the benefit of a detailed lens on the coexist with maximum accessibility and diversity, rather than as distinct zones

# **DISCOVERY**

' CITIES HAVE THE CAPABILITY OF PROVIDING SOME-THING FOR EVERY-BODY, ONLY WHEN IT HAS BEEN CREATED BY EVERYBODY"



JANE JACOBS

## 5-THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING FOR A LIVABLE CITY.

IT'S A COMBINATION CHAPTER BETWEEN SOCIAL ASPECTS AND ARCHITECTURE PLANNING TO FIND THE PROCESS THAT YOU CAN FOLLOW TO HAVE A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TO HAVE A LIVABLE CITY THEN AFFECT THE PEOPLE'S LIFESTYLE. THEREFORE, IT'S STARTING FROM THE ANALYSIS PART TO FINALIZING THE DESIGN AND PUT SOME POLI-CIES WITH THE COMMUNITY.

> THERE IS NO LOGIC THAT CAN BE SUPERIMPOSED ON THE CITY; PEOPLE MAKE IT, AND IT'S TO THEM NOT BUILDINGS THAT WE MUST fIT OUR PLANS"

JANE JACOBS

THIS IS ANNA, ITALIAN WORKER IN TORINO I REALLY LOVE TO CONTRIBUTE IN MY CITY TO MAKE IT BETTER BUT firstly I do not know how can I PARTICIBATE BECAUSE THERE'S NO ENOUGH INTEGRATION BETWEEN THE PEOPLE AND THE GOV-ERNMENT

AND SECONDLY I NEED TO TRUST MORE IN THE GOV-ERMNENT TO BE ABLE TO CONTIBUTE BECAUSE I NEED TO FEEL MORE THE CITY IS BELONGING TO ME.



Anna SAN SALVARIO, TORINO

# **5.1 SITE ANALYSIS**

worked perfectly there. For example, in with more responsibilities. Ottawa, Canada, they began to apply the

Comprehensive planning is such a large 15-minute city idea to have a livable city, process to have a livable city in your combut they also had some inspiration from munity's future, but this plan must begin Barcelona, Spain, Almere city and Switwith proper site analysis that will provide zerland and They did not simply copy you with different information in differ- and paste what happened in their coment aspects and perspectives, starting munity because there are many differwith the site and city analysis that you will ences in people's behaviour and lifestyle, provide information about the opportu- contour, environment, level of safety, and nities and threats of the weather, con- infrastructure in Ottawa city, so they betour, land uses, future vision, city's histogan with their analysis to make the plan ry, infrastructure and the centralization fit with the community and change the situation in the city. The second phase city to the new version. As a result of the would be the people analysis which will analysis, the following process, such as be needed to trace and observe different encouraging people to be active citizens, points such as; the living problems that will be much easier for the government people face, the diversity in the commuand the people to interact with the plan nity, existing activities that they have and because to make the city livable you need will be needing and the safety and noise to connect between the people and the level in their life. The vitality and wel- government, integrate between system fares of the city do not exist solely based and lifeworld, therefore avoiding the on the theory that you studied; it has a contradiction between what people need direct connection with what is happen- and the government's plan which will ing today in the community that you are help more to have a comfortable connecworking in; thus, to achieve a livable city, tion between them. Finally, site analysis you must always begin with an analysis of is not just one of the processes to having the people's needs and the city in which a livable city, but it is one of the most imyou are working. Furthermore, all types portant steps to having a real and stable of site analyses are the only way to be- base for your design and future vision for gin designing a comprehensive plan, and your city. This would also help you conyou cannot simply copy and paste what nect all factors and change the passive has been done in another city because it citizen to an active or even everyday fixer

# 5.1.1 COMMUNITY ANALYSIS

At first, you should ask yourself some neighbourhood, all of these analyses are questions for the local bureaucracy, such just a starting point of getting detailed as how to deal with these citizens? How observation of the. As a result, when should they handle the responsibilities they began to plan the change in Caliassociated with the activities? and how should other neighbours and government agencies collaborate? At the same time, the local maintenance department was concerned and started thinking Wasn't this my job, to mow the grass?' One of the initiators stated, "Sometimes San Luis Obispo (with a student body of it takes more time than expected to trust each other", system and lifeworld, 'Sometimes acting as a true negotiator is beneficial, and other times being anarchistic and going your own way is the best decision at the moment' and to know people (similar to Delano's) and Califorthe answers for these previous questions nia Polytechnic University. The city has you need to start with the community analysis and observe the details in the little town with a small college" into a community to know more how could you deal with it and change the people's at the same time maintains its unique lifestyle not only with their approval but small-town identity and architectural, also with their contributions to achieve artistic and cultural vitality, making it a the livable city plan. Looking into some livable place with a high quality of life details about community analysis, you for residents and the transient student should consider a basic list that will help community. Finally, the community you to get as much information as possi- analysis is extremely beneficial in underble for starting your design, such as; you standing the mindset of the people with need to survey the problem that people whom you will be dealing and assisting face daily, know about the up - to - date them to achieve a better life by utilising activities in their lives, know about the their efforts because it is a two-way relaexisting activities that they can find in tionship in which you must understand public spaces, define the diversity and what they require to achieve it, and they get how they are dealing with it and will assist you in achieving your overall check the safety and noise level in the plan.

fornia in different cities, they began to check the community separately. For example, they began to gather information about San Luis Obispo, which is located on California's scenic coast, midway between San Francisco and Los Angeles. nearly 19,000 at its border and an additional 12,000 at adjacent Cuesta Community College) is considered an attractive and desirable place to live, with a population of approximately 45,000 transformed what was once a "sleepy "regional economic powerhouse" that

# 5.1.2 SITE & NEIGHBOURHOOD ANALYSIS

the historical background of the city and them a part of your development.

The planning details of the city is one of whether there are any historical places the important analyses that you need to in the neighbourhood to be considered, consider before starting dealing with the Examine the neighbourhood's urban poplan that you want to apply in the city, tential and threats, as well as the city's so the site and neighbourhood analysis is vacant lands and gardens, infrastructure, the second layer of the whole livable city and service centralization. Delano, Calianalysis that you need to do to know the fornia, with a population of 43,469, is loidentity of the city that you will deal with cated in the southern part of California's to achieve the vital city, therefore study- Central Valley, an inland valley stretching the city or the neighbourhood is im- ing approximately 400 miles long and portant to make your base stronger and producing approximately 25% of the US's make it fit more in the community. On food supply. A significant proportion of the other hand, some people take a case Delano's residents (30%) are employed study from another city and try to apply in the surrounding agricultural industry the strategy without thinking about the (US Census Bureau, 2010). Delano has a identity of the city that they are working relatively high poverty rate (28%) which in then they realized that this strategy is explained in part by a large number of is not working properly with that city, low-paying agricultural sector jobs and Knowing the community, how people a seasonal unemployment rate of 21%. think, how the city works, and how to Delano also reflects the growing diverdeal with the existing plan is critical be- sity in California, with 13% of the popcause you are not starting from scratch, ulation identifying themselves as 'Asian but rather updating and developing the Alone, 7% identifying as 'White Alone,' city for the people and the city itself. Re- and 5% identifying as 'Black Alone' (US turning to the site analysis details, you Census Bureau, 2010). In summary, the need to know various information about site and community analyses incorporate the city, beginning with the weather, en- each other to provide you with an overall vironment, street network and how it background about the city and how you works in the city, topography and what intend to deal with urban opportunities the contour levels are to know which and threats, as well as how you intend to solution will fit according to the situation, deal with and convene people to make

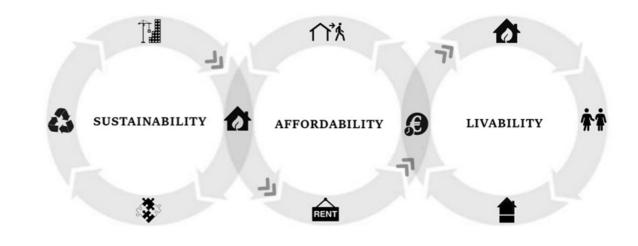
## -URBAN MODELS

There are two types of design strategies towards the sustainable and livable city, one of them is the isolated model that you will work and apply every sector of the city objectives separately, but instead of envisioning sectors separately, the new design shall strive to achieve an inclusive and resilient solution to the built environment by creating synergies between the various contributing sectors.

# -ISOLATED MODEL



# -INCLUSIVE CIRCULAR LOOP MODEL





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HOME

ADOPTS

# -BUILDING SYSTEM MODELS

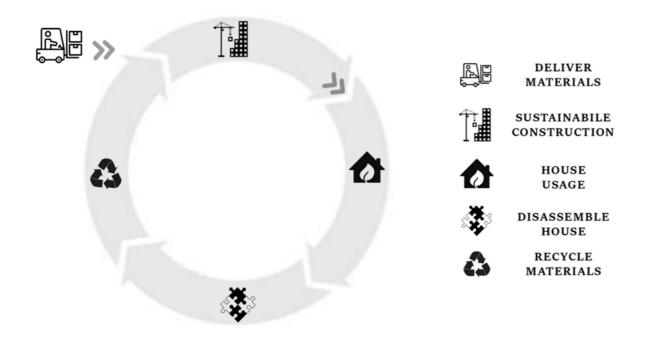
To start the construction, you need to define which model that you will follow to get the best performance not only during the construction but also during the using or during the demolishing. Firstly, the linear model provides the same sectors but every sector separately so you will divide the whole process according number of stages that you have, on the other hand, you can choose the efficient circular loop with the connection between every sector and connect between all of them during the whole process starting from deliver the materials to the disassemble the house and recycle it again which it will be more efficient and functional.

## -LINEAR MODEL



## -Efficient circular loop model

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# -FINANCIAL MODELS

The urban and building strategies will have efficient consequences on the economy and business model because it offers to the residents a regular recurring revenue stream on a long-term basis, would create a smoother flow of ownership and helping residents to focus on the investment option than aiming exclusively at achieving a profit off the property. At the end the graphs provide the differences between using the linear financial model that related to the business motivation or using the circular economy efficient model.

## -LINEAR MODEL



# -LOOP MODEL (ECONOMICALLY EfficiENT)



# 5.2 MAKING 'INFLUENTIAL CITIZENS'

which citizens took control and partici- can be described as "everyday fixers," and pate in a wide range of activities, was wit- who play a significant role in delivering nessed. The vital city is, at least in part, the participation in society making a the result of a rescaling of state interven- committed community that needs some tion. The local government has taken effort and planning to connect between on new and expanded responsibilities them all factors inside the community in the areas of social care, job creation, such as; different genders, ages, mindset education, housing, and welfare. This and needs, the outcome of this connecstate of affairs has recently been dubbed tion will have a significant impact on the the "participation society" in the Neth- entire community. At the most basic leverlands (The Independent, 2013). What el, communities provide us with a group we now refer to as the "vital city" is not of people with whom we can interact in a new phenomenon, but it is becoming a safe environment. This gives us our somore prominent citizens have become cial fix while also reminding our brains more actively engaged in their local ar- that we are still accepted and a part of eas in many European and other cities the larger group. By getting to know around the world, accepting a greater your neighbours and creating a strong degree of responsibility for their living community, you can create a sense of environment and joining forces with lo-security for yourself, knowing that those cal government institutions to deliver a around you are looking out for you. "Fourth Way" in public policy, planning, and social welfare. The chapter defines you can feel at ease while doing things active citizenship in urban districts, ar- like running at night or taking your kids guing that the concept is concerned with trick-or-treating. No place is perfect, but two things: first, perforation of the wel- being a part of a community should alfare state's boundaries in places with a ways make you feel safe. history of participation, and second, the

The rise of the 'vital city' in the 1990s, in existence of key community actors who When you know the people around you,



Connected city is the first act for getting the comprehensive plan and vital city. -source: Huffington, A. (2020, July 6). Thrive Global: Behavior Change Platform Reducing Employee Stress and Burnout, Enhancing Performance and Well-Being. Thrive Global. https:// thriveglobal.com/

# 5.2.1 ACTIVE CITIZEN

Active citizenship has become a new not necessarily accepting the results of

form of urban governance (Houten and system. To have active citizen is not a Winsemius, 2010), embracing notions of short process that you can get it easily, 'collective independence', 'individual re- you need firstly to have a real trust besponsibility, 'individual empowerment,' tween the government and the citizen, 'self-organisation', 'basic democracy' and secondly the citizens need to feel always 'citizens' initiatives. Local knowledge of that the government considers and cares neighbourhoods has become crucial in about their needs, after this you can have the effort to gain a clear sense of what a real bond between the government communities experience as 'problems' and citizens. At the end No one is born (Engbersen and Engbersen, 2014). Re- a good citizen; no nation is born a desearchers, however, have claimed that mocracy. Rather, both are processes that citizens deliver more than information continue to evolve over a lifetime. Young or consultancy to the policy process, but people must be included from birth. A are now the owners of initiatives, de-society that cuts off its youth severs its veloping and realizing their own policy lifeline (Kofi Annan). We need always to ideas. Moreover, 'local government and teach the citizens and try to change their institutions play a stimulating, facilitat- attitude in home, schools or communiing or productive role' (Denters et al, ty to become an active citizen by giving 2013, 7). Citizens engage in the public them the ability to change and the freedomain, but also work with the former dom to say their opinion in any changes occupants of that domain. They may in their community because the future seek to bring order to disorder, turning of this form of government is dependent wasteland into a community park for ex- on the possibility for the young to parample (Zwaard and Specht, 2013). Their ticipate in the democratic process or to deeds may aim to create a greater sense include young people from birth. This of community, which can mean the pro- is directly connected to the capacity of cess of community action is more im- the education system to nurture young portant than the product (Hurenkamp, people who are aware of their rights and Tonkens and Duyvendak, 2006; Tonk- responsibilities as citizens, take action ens and Verhoeven, 2011). Overall, col- for social and environmental justice, lective efficacy means responding to and hold their governments accountable and improving an existing social reality, but stand up for other people's rights.

# **5.2.2 CONSULTATION**

they had missed the workshops. Their the collaborative plan-making process. responses were similar: their organiza-

Making an active citizenship needs some tions were overwhelmed with meeting preparation to make it more settled and basic needs in the community. Farm effective in the community and one of workers were busy with the fall harvest. these preparations is the general work- Some organization leaders questioned shops for the citizens to make them conthe relevance of a general plan to their nected professionally with the govern- membership's concerns, particularly ment. In addition, the general workshop in comparison to their other activities. is the first deed of changing the citizens The demographic characteristics of the from being passive to active situation in workshop participants were tracked, their community, also the government and they were not representative of Deneeds to set a plan of these workshops lano's diverse population. Fewer than for different perspective one of them is half of the participants were Latino and related to general citizen behavior such only two of the participants were farmas; community connection, leadership, workers. Based on limited community group work and team structure. On the participation in the picnics/workshops, other hand, the government needs also students and instructors shifted the loto provide some workshops to make the cation of community outreach efforts citizen know more about the history of to popular community locations and the city, the importance of the city's land- events. Along with drawing attention to marks and the potentials of the city. One concerns rarely heard in Delano's traof the real example of the importance ditional public processes, the students' and how to set the agenda of workshops general plan included ideas proposed by was in Delano, California, there were participants at the Holiday Parade and Five public workshops were scheduled, grocery store. For instance, they includduring which consensus would be built ed zoning for a neighborhood commerthrough small-group discussion (Tok- cial center on the west side of town and er,2012). The workshops were designed proposed affordable housing for farm to be convenient and unintimidating – a workers. In the absence of participation series of picnics held on Saturdays and by formal community groups, the stu-Sundays at the local community center. dents became advocates for 'identified' A majority of Delano's community community groups who had neither the groups were contacted to find out why time nor the resources to participate in

# **5.2.3 EVERY-DAY FIXER**

helped to recruit and connect people -

The 'everyday fixer' is a participated res- These residents also thought: 'We can do ident in the scheme had professional ex- this work better and more carefully ourperience of the spatial planning process selves, and we can do it more cheaply.' and maintaining public space. This man They developed their idea, made a plan also had strong leadership skills that for a new design for a courtyard and organized and realized the plan themtwo special qualities that can be attrib- selves, with a little help from the disuted to 'everyday fixer. These qualities trict manager of the local government. were discernible in the initiators of this Therefore, the 'Everyday fixer' is one of project. They also engage in a new form the important success to any communiof political-civil engagement, express- ty because it's the real link between the ing individuality and a strong sense of citizens and the local government, this the collective good. These are citizens fixer must have some potentials such as with the dedication and drive to get leadership, urban planning and profesthings done. They are networkers, prag-sional experience in the urban field to matists, and even the bridge-builders do the work properly. At the end, the who are able to bring different groups everyday-fixe and government are in or resources together. They are good at co-partnership agreement with the lobrokering relationships and have the cal government regarding the regulation ability to 'communicate, to persuade, of the partnership. Under a co partnerto imagine oneself in someone else's ship both parties are equal, while with world and to bring together different subsidiaries, one partly is dependent on worlds' (Hendriks and Tops, 2005, 487). the other. This is very important in the The initiative began when local govern- 'Fourth Way': to be officially equal and ment was renovating local public spaces. to see one another as equal partners.



-While people in the same neighbourhood are gathering to find a solution for a problem they have - Photo credit: Ton Huijzer

# 5.3 THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

counties all over the United States, as future land uses and the built environment of communities. It contains a map of future land uses for an entire planning jurisdiction (like a city or a county), addressing all of the physical elements in the legal tool for implementing the vision of the future contained in the comand the public can confuse the process of drafting and approving a comprehensive plan with the process of rewriting or changing the zoning code, but usually these two tools are considered documents. Occasionally communities which includes the plan and the zoning components in one document. In cur-20 years—a duration that avoids the uncertainty of long-term economic and population growth patterns while also weaken a cohesive vision for the future. tive plan and system and life plan.

A comprehensive plan is an essential fea- In the past, plans were created by a centure of long-term planning for cities and tral authority with the power to make and implement plans. Plans in the 21st both the process and the documentation century are created in a democracy, infor creating a broad, long-term vision for volving participation from the public and the politicians accountable to them, throughout the process of drafting, revising, and adopting a comprehensive plan. Looking into the comprehensive plan details, there are seven elements the area, for a long time period (usually that you need always to consider while around 20 years). A comprehensive plan planning or applying the plan for the lays the foundation for zoning codes, vital city to enhance the community for example; existing and new land-use, Circulations for people, style of housing and prehensive plan. Sometimes the media the connection between urban services and housing, conservation, open spaces design according to the people needs, noise level and the safety in the city. After considering these elements the plan will be well connected to every element in separate processes, and in separate in the community and it will be easy to apply it with local and professional help. complete a unified development code, Briefly, comprehensive plan is a special plan for a specific place or city because you are going to do the analysis, surveyrent planning practice, comprehensive ing and changing list specifically for that plans usually set a planning horizon of city, therefore you can't copy and past what you design for a city to another city moreover, comprehensive plan is just an element that you need to support it with avoiding short-term thinking that can active citizen, advocacy plan, collabora-

# 5.3.1 INFRASTRUCTURE & OPEN SPACES

The life cycle approach to infrastructure keeping in mind the long-term perdifferent disciplines to collaborate to ensure long-term, comprehensive, and susplanning contextualises engineering and considerations, as well as environmental, social, economic, aesthetic, security, and other criteria, are included in decision-making processes. The framework presented here calls for a collaborative, multi-level planning process and recognizes that the process will be culturally determined, institutionally bound, and politically motivated (Flyvberg et al., 2003; Healey, 2010; Innes& Booher & Di Vittorio, 2011). So, infrastructure is one of the important elements that you need to consider before starting the strategy of the comprehensive plan because it will provide you with important insights about the strategy you will need to follow study Ultimately, the goal of this frameprotection to critical infrastructure net-sible conceptualization. work planning and maintenance while

planning proposed here allows practi- spective of living with the contextual tioners from any discipline to under- constraints of infrastructure networks stand the entire life cycle from their dis- in a region, i.e. sustainably. Our quality cipline's perspective, and it also allows of life is heavily reliant on open spaces they provide facilities for a wide range of social interactions as well as habitats tainable planning. Responsive life cycle for flora and fauna. A space classification would be useful in developing pubfinance so that technical and monetary lic open space policies and carrying out the structure plan. The purpose of this research is to propose a comprehensive open space categorization system for the city. A thorough investigation of sources in that city reveals a lack of a comprehensive classification of open spaces and the presentation of only a hierarchy of open spaces. For this study, a critical literature review was conducted to comprehend the approaches of this comprehensive classification and adapt them to the city context. An analysis of the comparison between several cities in different countries was performed to come up with a comprehensive classification in that city; the results of the study will and the best solution for that city or case provide a systematic classification use for planners and policymakers in prework is to plan long-term infrastructure paring open space strategies and setting networks. The framework enables the development plan policies; it is also usetransition from critical infrastructure ful for designers to obtain the best pos-

# 5.3.2 CIRCULATIONS & SAFETY

and land development ordinance. Ac- city.

There is a clear link between urban land cess management is a program designed use planning and transportation net- to achieve a balance between safety, mowork planning. The transportation and bility, and access onto abutting propercirculation plan determines how people ties from highways. Access management and goods can move into, out of, with- problems occur where conflicts between in, and through the Region safely and mobility and access exist, resulting in efficiently. In contrast, transportation congestion and safety problems. If the opportunities or constraints frequently Region experiences increased developdetermine the location and appropriate- ment activity, access onto local roads ness of various land uses. Because the could become overloaded. Access mantwo plans are interdependent, they have agement is most critical on roads with been designed as an iterative process for competing functions, though they have maximum effectiveness. The road net- a predominant mobility function, they work's design should be directly related also provide access to businesses and to its function and should be directly residential properties. The ability to implemented through land-use regula- control access points on selected roadtions. This is an important consideration ways is becoming an important issue in because the function of a road dictates the region and throughout the County. specific requirements, such as the nec- Though the region is generally rural and essary amount of right-of-way, cartway suburban in nature, it is experiencing width, shoulder width, design speeds, major access problems. There are severand several lanes. In effect, the function al accesses management techniques that of the road must be established and pre- can be implemented to correct existing served through such land use controls as problems and to aid in preventing fuzoning and subdivision and land devel- ture access management problems. In opment ordinances. Therefore, the Re- the end, Circulations is an important gion's municipalities should review and factor for the people because supposedrevise their road design standards as ly whatever the way that they will use to needed for consistency throughout the go to their destination must be provided region matching the function of the road and well designed such as lane for bikes, network with the design of that network walking, public transportation and priis important so that, as improvement op- vate cars but of course with different raportunities arise, roads can be improved to according to the city plan, moreover to the proper standards. Such standards the safety needs to be attached to it to are typically located in the subdivision complete the whole good vibes of the

# 5.3.3 HOUSING & NOISE

The real purpose of housing is not just acter of public sector uses (e.g., utilities, fluence private-sector actions. Further- context of the design. more, guiding the physical design char-

a building in the context and you can open space, transportation, and so on) is move it from one place to another with- an important method for improving enout feeling the differences between both vironmental quality while providing an locations but it needs to act up with the incentive for private sector investment. community planning and country vi- It is suggested that an urban design elsion to help them to achieve and create ement be included in the overall plan. the outdoor spaces connected with the The urban design incorporates elements design of the housing. Nevertheless, of planning, landscape architecture, the noise is still one of the barriers of and architecture is concerned with the the housing designs because when you city's large-scale organisation, function, start to connect between the housing and design. It is more concerned with and public spaces you will face a prob- the massing, scale, and organisation of lem of how to reduce the effect of noise buildings and the spaces between them inside the housing but at the same time, than with the design of individual strucyou want it close and connected to the tures. On the other hand, noise is one public spaces. Urban design is that spe- of the considerations that you should cific component of city planning pri- always keep in mind when designing marily concerned with the functional a comprehensive plan because it has and visual relationships between people the ability to make the design better or and their physical environment and how worse depending on how much control those relationships can be improved. As you have over it and also the noise level a result, urban design is specifically in- within the city that you are designing in, volved with many areas of planning, in- for example; when designing a comprecluding housing, transportation, open hensive plan and attempting to connect space, community facilities, businesses, between outdoor spaces and housing in industry, and the general relationship Cairo-Egypt, the normal of the noise levbetween various land uses. Urban design el that people have grown accustomed is commonly understood to function as to is different than when designing a a component of the public sector, where comprehensive plan in Switzerland, so it can serve to stimulate, guide, and in- the noise level will be determined by the

# 5.3.4 DIVERSITY & PROXIMITY

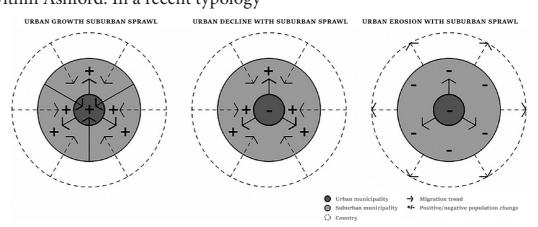
turalist critique of modernism's master narratives and more specifically in rehousing projects, and highway building human capital, encourages innovation, an oxymoronic diverse order.

Diversity has become the new ortho- and ensures fairness and equal access to doxy of city planning. The term has sev- a variety of groups. Indeed, according to eral meanings: a varied physical design, this logic, the competitive advantage of mixes of uses, an expanded public realm, cities, and thus the most promising path and multiple social groupings exercising to economic success, lies in increasing their "right to the city." Its impetus lies diversity within society, the economin the postmodernist and poststruc- ic base, and the built environment. The goal of this article is to investigate the utility of elevating diversity to its current actions to the urban landscape created status by describing its content, locating by segregation, urban renewal, massive its intellectual and practical context, examining the arguments in its favour, programs. Privileging diversity raises considering whether planners can acsignificant issues. for city planners. As tually achieve diverse environments, such, it constitutes an antithesis to pre- and proposing an alternate formulation vious orientations toward urban design, of the just city. In urban literature, the in which segregation of homogeneous terms diversity and proximity have a districts was the governing orthodoxy. wide range of meanings. It refers to the Typical of revolutions in thought, the mixing of building types among urban present rebellion against earlier dogmas designers; it may refer to mixed uses has been shaped by them. The elevation or class and racial-ethnic heterogeneity of diversity as the primary criterion for among planners, and it primarily refers evaluating urban form, to the neglect of to the latter meaning among sociologists other values, responds to earlier obses- and cultural analysts. Planned commusions with orderliness, efficiency, and nities with the goal of diversity, whether protection of property values, which are within inner cities or in new-urbanist now alleged to have produced dullness or neotraditional Greenfields developand discrimination against "the other." ments, seem inevitably to attract accusa-In relation to the two broad purposes of tions of inauthenticity, of being a simulaurban policy— stimulating growth and crum rather than the genuine article. As achieving equity—it is now claimed that a result, planners appear to be trapped ensuring diversity is key. According to in an intractable quandary: either leave this view, diversity and proximity attract the market to its own devices or impose

# 5.3.5 SUBURBS' IGNORANCE

Urban land-use planning, as the phrase tracking economic, political and demo-Commuting is an important feature of well-established. life within Ashford. In a recent typology

is used in this paper, refers to the plan- graphic diversity across rural England, ning of the entire urban physical envi- (Lowe & Ward, 2007) classified the borronment in terms of the location (pat- ough as a 'dynamic commuter area' and tern, arrangement, interrelationships) an 'extension of the wealthy suburbs' of and the quality (density, bulk, design) of the Greater London conurbation, with all the land uses that comprise a "city." a significant concentration of 'dynam-Such planning is comprehensive in covic commuter residents' who tend to be erage: all of a metropolitan area, or at articulate and well-connected into netleast all of a single city or county's area works of power and influence, and quite of jurisdiction. Undertaken not only for prepared to engage with the politico-adbut also on behalf of an entire urban ministrative system at local, regional community, it is almost by definition a and national levels. They are particularly governmental activity, since only a gov-resistant to further encroachments in ernmental unit is formally designated, terms of land use and other developwith the consent of the governed, to repments which might undermine the ruresent the totality of interests within its ral idyll into which they have bought. jurisdiction. In the absence of dynamic (Lowe & Ward, 2007). Gradually, there housing market churn, large residen- are some countries where suburbs are tial age cohorts can create downstream one of the community factors, such as problems of service provision from age- the United States and Australia, and it ing in place and depopulation, accord- will take time to apply the concept of ing to experience from Freiburg's older a livable city in these communities besuburbs. A key emerging learning point cause you need to first prepare the comhas been the use of resident-led devel- munity and the design itself of the city, opment approaches at smaller scales and whereas, in other communities, such as within ageing neighbourhoods to attract European countries, you can do it easyounger families to depopulating areas. ily because the concept of suburbs is



-the differences between urban details with the suburbs sprawl

# 5.3.6 SYSTEM PLAN & LIFE PLAN

ators. 'Sometimes it is helpful to act as a important.

System and life plan are the consequenc- real negotiator and sometimes it helps to es of growing the bureaucratic rational- be anarchistic and go your own way. The ity in the welfare city with two different neighbours developed their whole idea in distinctions between them, firstly, is the three weeks. This shows the speed of citrelease of the nature's boundaries be- izens, life-world, compared to the speed tween the state and community action of public bodies which is system world. Secondly, it provides the proper loca- When the local government makes this tion of making the attempts across the kind of plan, it takes much longer to boundaries and the working pattern. organize and realize the whole picture, Consequently, the efficiency of the work because it has to overcome so many buwill be higher than before this kind of reaucratic obstacles, although this case connection between these plans. Look- also shows that the district manager of ing into the details of every plan, the the local government can react quickly system plan is related to the government to assist the initiators and understand process and structure that has some ad- the lifeworld. His reaction suggests not vantages and disadvantages that while only that he understands the life world, applying and design the comprehensive but also that he understands the urgent plan you need always to consider both of need to work together as partners for exthem to get the maximum benefits from ample; The neighbours in Schoonenburg the system plan. On the other hand, the were not only quick to make plans; they life plan is coming from the community also knew how to get funding from the that with fast process and good organ- local government. It was easy for citizens ization because there are not many ob- to call him to ask how they could secure stacles that happen in the system plan. finance for their idea and he acted as So, at the beginning you need to ask their mediator. The funding was secured yourself some questions for the local from the local authority's 'quality of life bureaucracy was how to deal with these budget'. Their only obligation was to fill citizens? How should they handle the in an official form and send in their inresponsibilities involved in the activi- voices afterwards. The district manager ties; and how should other neighbours also showed that he understood how and government departments work to- to work with citizens' initiatives. The gether? At the same time, however, the district manager in Schoonenburg was local 'maintenance department' was a very eager to help the citizens quickly; little afraid. 'Wasn't mowing the grass he had a positive attitude, won the trust my job?' 'Sometimes it takes more time of residents and secured autonomy from than expected to trust each other' (sys- his own 'boss'. The district manager told tem and lifeworld), said one of the initi- us that the support of his boss was really

# 5.3.7 ADVOCACY & COLLABORATIVE PLAN

After applying all processes of the com- (Diaz, 2005; Fraser, 2005; Gittell & Vidal, prehensive plan to get a livable and vital 1998). In addition, collaborative plancity you need to wrap it with advocacy ning is responded to several of the perand collaborative plans that they are two ceived inadequacies of both the rationmethods frequently utilized by com- al and advocacy planning approaches. munity-based organizations in the US Unlike advocacy planners, collaborative to undertake community-based action, planners do not take centre stage, but are used in this examination (Gittell & instead become facilitators in the pro-Vidal, 1998; Gonzalez, 2006; Peterman, cess of consensus-building among com-2004). Starting with the advocacy plan, munity members and groups (Brooks, During the 1960s, advocacy planning 2002). A diversity of views and commuarose in tandem with social movements nity groups is required for the success attempting to address inequities in the of a communicative process so that rel-US (Davidoff, 1965) and in response to evant issues will arise and be addressed the concepts and outcomes of the ration- (Booher & Innes, 2002). Deliberative al planning approach. The primary goal processes and consensus-building can of advocacy planning is the transfer of be used within and between commupower and resources from established, nity groups and can be organized and well-represented groups to underrepre- facilitated by public planners and comsented groups (Fraser, 2005; Harwood, munity-group leadership (Carpenter 2003; Peterman, 2004). Originally, advo- & Kennedy, 2001). The strengths of the cacy planning was designed to provide collaborative process are that it provides underrepresented groups with a voice an avenue for conflict management (Gitthrough advocate planners, 'guerillas in tell & Vidal, 1998), building local coathe planning process' who were famil- litions with common interests. Because iar with and skilled in formal planning this approach does not directly address processes (Diaz, 2005; Harwood, 2003). differential power relationships among Advocates are not limited to those in- groups participating in the process, howside progressive city governments but ever, it has been criticized for the liminclude professionals and non-profes- ited understanding it provides of social sionals from many sectors, including relations necessary for the redistribunon-profits and community-based action of resources to marginalized groups tion groups (Gonzalez, 2006). Literature (Fischer, 2004; Sandercock, 1998). Still, on advocacy work at the neighbourhood collaborative planning does provide the level, via neighbourhood groups, often possibility of a democratic approach to focuses on community leadership that plan-making (Forester, 1999) and has mobilizes residents to protest, march, or proven to provide lasting compromises rally for residents' rights during the im- in highly conflictive situations between plementation stage of plans and projects community groups.

# 5.4 LIVABLE CITY CONSEQUENCES

of urban development for making cities economically competitive, environmenthrough holistic participatory planning and generating and sharing knowledge strengthen urban institutions and govintegrated solutions; support coordination within and between city regions; partnerships, and green finance; and advance the use of data and digital technologies in all aspects of urban governcities provide significant opportunities economic development, and serve as in-International agendas like the Sustainable Development Goals and the New Urban Agenda promote engaging with city infrastructure investments and policy gional cooperation. Digital technologies could be replicable at a larger scale. and improved use of data are emerging

The livable Cities approach puts people as positive change agents to inform betand community well-being at the centre ter decision-making for more transparent, people-centred, and accountable governance. The areas of green econotally sustainable, low-carbon and resil- my and green finance create additional ient, as well as inclusive. The approach opportunities for cities. Diverting from aims to provide integrated solutions traditional urbanization models that result in extensive resource extraction, waste, and pollution, cities increasingwith cities in the region of Livable Cit- ly see the potential of green economy ies focus on the pillars of Economy, models, which promote efficient uses Environment, Equity, Enablers, and of materials, protection and rehabili-Engagement. These relate to efforts to tation of ecosystems, and appropriate regulations for industries and markets. ernance; promote holistic planning and Green economies have the potential to create a net 18 million jobs globally by 2030 as cities across the world invest in leverage financing mechanisms such low-carbon and resilient urban infraas land-based financing, public-private structure and services. Recognizing the potential of city-regions and city clusters to realize economies of scale and increase competitiveness, efficiencies, and ance. Notwithstanding these challenges, innovation, national and subnational governments are making efforts toward to improve human well-being, catalyze more coordinated regional governance, land use, and infrastructure planning. cubators for new ideas and innovation. Moreover, cities across the RDB regions can leapfrog traditional development milestones by building on newly emerging industries, service sectors, and susgovernments in the global development tainable tourism. Cities are increasingly effort. City authorities are realizing the supporting local entrepreneurship and potential of holistic, flexible, and par- innovation through proactive local ecoticipatory urban planning to integrate nomic development initiatives in urban challenges and opportunities are usually reforms, build strong urban institutions, rooted in a local context, learning across generate knowledge, and promote re- regions sparks innovation and ideas that



# 5.4.1 NEW SOCIAL CAPITAL & TRUST IN THE PUBLIC DOMAIN

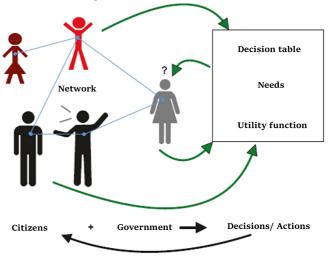
projects for a range of pragmatic reasons groups, issue networks, neighbourhood committees, voluntary work, renovation projects, Twitter networks, care services, on 'networked individualism' or as a product of 'multiple inclusion'. New socan underpin community action. Pubor use local shops and services. It gencrease the range of familiarities in our public-community intervention. life. As well as providing the context for

People become involved in community growth in new social capital. The government has a critical role to play in nurturand are brought together within action ing community action. If governments abdicate themselves from the responsibility of supporting neighbourhoods, for example through interventions that aim and so on. Although in many instances to enhance the quality of life, then comthe 'socio-spatial community' may have munity action tends to fizzle out. There been weakened, relationships are built is a general view that activism fills the void left in the wake of a shrinking state: that people do more when the state does cial capital, as described by Duyvendak, nothing. Yet Vermeij, van Houwelingen, is a product of networked knowledge, and de Hart in 2012 show that when there opinions, norms, values or narratives. is less government impact, there is also It explains that communities still come less citizen involvement. Past research together to take collective action despite reveals that very few citizens' initiatives the erosion of traditional patterns of so- operate independently among those that ciability: relationships can appear less are genuinely spontaneous, there will at stable, not being based on long-term some point be a need for support from face-to-face forms of social interaction, local government, from welfare institubut even more fluid forms of sociability tions, from other public or third sector services, a housing association, or establic familiarity is generated through the lished community organizations. At the meetings that occur as people leave their same time, the government can take a homes in the morning, pick up chil- back seat and observe the independence dren from school, take out the rubbish of the community by providing professional support to them to achieve what erates trust in familiarity without people they want and what will be proper for having to interact or genuinely know the community. Independent mediators one another. It is a 'familiar trust' in the - or support groups - may be engaged to public domain, with 'trusted strangers'. act as a bridge between the community (Lofland, 1985) coming to share some and state actors but in broad terms, the senses or ideas of the community, as we attempt to forge an effective partnership always need to be nearby places such as; between the state and community action schools, parks, libraries and shops to in- can be described as a 'Fourth Way' in

# 5.4.2 EQUALITY OF THE CITIZENS & GOVERNMENT WORK

The citizens formed an official founda- to keep each other informed. There is also includes a list of all the types of mainto carry out or not. This financial agreement is complex and rather interesting. Questions raised from the system world included the following 'who has a say over how the money is spent? How can the government influence this citizens' initiative?, The agreement states which task the citizens are responsible for and how the money is to be used, but nothduring this process, only a commitment nurtured by a supportive state.

tion to apply for various grants so that an example in Lelystad city, where the they could buy the materials to under- city tried to organize for easy and quick take the maintenance work. They also wins, they started with an informal entered into a co-partnership agreement meeting to settled down the people who with the local government regarding the are going to join and take the initiatives regulation of the partnership. Under a in the community then the week after co-partnership, both parties are equal, the informal meeting, a group of people while with subsidiaries, one part is de-started to clean up the public space and pendent on the other. This is very impor- a smaller group also started to clean up tant in the 'Fourth Way': to be officially the gardens and façades. Another resiequal and to see one another as equal dent offered to help his neighbours to partners. The co-partnership contract contract decorators. These quick and easy wins following the meeting were retenance activities that the residents are ally important. They started a flow of active people. In this district, local government could not take a back seat: if they wanted to improve the district, they had to promote active citizenship. This was a lengthy process in a neighbourhood with a low initial level of social cohesion, a low average socioeconomic status and were organizational skills we're lacking. The case shows that a 'Fourth Way' does ing more than that. There is no oversight not also arise on its own, but needs to be



-The connection between citizens and government. -Source: ResearchGate/ Matas Cirtautas. (213-06). ResearchGate | Find and share research. ResearchGate. https://www.researchgate.net/

#### **5.4.3 TAKING THE PLUNGE**

The committee created a formal plan for gramme because it was the best way to the footpath as well as some additional get the most out of both groups. Using features such as playgrounds, hanging the Atolwiik district in Lelystad as an baskets, and a small maze. The local government and housing association assist- ed to achieve its goal differently. The ed in the development of the plan and district managers began searching the introduced them to the national pilot neighbourhood for "everyday fixers." programme. The initial funding and activities were organised, and the committee began construction on the footpath. An artist came up with the idea of a 'social sofa, which she built in a few months prove the quality of their own homes, with the help of children and neighbours but rather to determine which were the under her supervision and with the help most important issues for residents in of a local builder. Many participants were the neighbourhood: a shift from topinspired and enthused by these activities, and an increasing number of people years, there was more energy on the part followed, but they also discovered their of residents to do something for their talents. 'This is far nicer than just negotiating and discussing the major plans of groups being formed by residents. There local government,' noted the treasurer was one large group that wanted to clean of the committee. This is an example of up public spaces and a smaller group the 'Fourth Way' of citizen participation. that wanted to encourage improvements Citizens and institutions collaborated as in the quality of housing. partners in the larger renovation pro-

example, the local government attempt-They invested in their local network and contacted several organisations, institutions, and Atolwijk residents. The goal was no longer to encourage them to imdown to bottom-up. For the first time in neighbourhood. This resulted in two



-Canelli's new urban square: the outcome of the participatory process -Photo credit: Alessio Studio

After all of these stages of applying the ment rose. "Friends "is not the right comprehensive the citizen started to not word [to describe] how people see each only feel about the community as a big other, but they get to know each other a home but also, they started to act with little bit more and it is easier to approach the same ambitious and take some du- a neighbor if you have a problem' added ties from the government because they the district manager in an interview. At a knew, they will do it better and fast- certain point, the team formulated new er and we can take Hoekwierde city as ambitions. They wanted to take on more an example; it's a part of De Wierden, a and more maintenance work from local district in the city of Almere Haven. De government. The people of Hoekwierde Wierden as a whole is an area where in- demonstrated the 'collective efficacy': comes are below average and the level of 'We can do this better, more cheaply and educational attainment is low. In the city it is also more fun than if local governthey started to be part of the communiment continued to do it. The citizens see ty by a protest group to be against the that they have power and take an acgovernment to cancel the plan of contive interest in organizing initiatives by structing a high-rise building instead of themselves. Sometimes the citizens do a woodland then they started to be part better job of maintenance than the local of the government actions and consider government, sometimes an inferior job, more the public spaces and its mainte- but it is always on the terms of the citinance. The social infrastructure grew up zens and not on the basis of fixed proceand the level of neighborhood involvedures.



-Informal meeting between the citizens as an initiative process for problem solving -Photo credit: Ton Huijzer

#### **5.4.5 THE FOURTH WAY**

The ideological basis for the reform of the Third Way, however, it does not prethe welfare state, noted in this chapter, scribe any sequence of responsibility: can in part be found in the 'Third Way' that is, citizens first, then the state. Rath-(Giddens, 1998), which emphasizes the er, the Fourth Way harnesses the power and personal responsibility in produc- with government institutions: rather ing vital public goods. Then the fourth than stimulating action, the state works way became settled more because it's alongside community actors building of course a derivative of this. It has the flat, horizontal rather than vertical, resame concern for a new relationship lationships. It stimulates (by creating the between the state and civil society and conditions in which communities can requires that the latter is not overbur- flourish and by signaling its support for dened - through excessive regulation collective action) but then works with - by the former. Instead, it argues for a those actors towards key social, ecopartnership between the state, citizens nomic and environmental goals. and civil society organizations. Unlike

combined role of market mechanisms of active citizens in an equal partnership

#### **5.4.6 NEW TOWN**

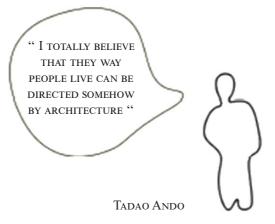
geographical terms with boundaries debetween citizens. When the term 'local community' or 'neighborhood' is used reach teams are tasked with building reties of 'everyday fixers. lationships with these organizations and

The role of active citizens and their en- with networks of local actors operating gagement with state actors is now ex- across different sectors. The new towns amined in specific districts within four of the country grew rapidly during the Dutch New Towns. The studies focus on last era as national government respondcommunity initiatives that have sought ed to high demand for housing with the to address issues of quality and livability building of new settlements. The new in the public realm. Neighborhoods, on towns were a product of top-down planthe other hand, are much more diffuse in ning. Half a century on and the new towns are aging, and several are strugtermined by the lines of communication gling with a range of social and physical problems. Government has intervened to address these problems, and the iniin the remainder, we are referring to a tiatives that have been taken forward in unit which is socially constructed rather four key zones: 2m zone, 7m zone, 10m than normatively defined. Districts are zone and 15m zone. The outcomes of important in the country as they have community action are highlighted, with become the spatial framework in which comments offered on the interaction bethe local state interacts with community tween the system world of the state and organizations. Often, permanent out- the life world of citizens, and the activi-

As shown in the discovery chapter, the The significant time required to particprocess of planning and design the vital ipate in collaborative processes deters city in the existing communities, that involvement by disenfranchised people they can be identified, and that they with limited time. Given the paucity of understand and are interested in being their leisure time, they are unlikely to involved with the plan making exercise. choose to spend it even at a 'picnic' to That 'the shift into planning' of community interests can be facilitated by procedures that allow community partici- with some caution. The effort was conpation so these interests are reflected in ducted within a short time frame of six the vision embodied in the general plan. Cities with extensive staff and resources, time to build community participation, such as San Luis Obispo, are innovative the collaborative process could have and garner the funding needed for an seen greater participation by communiextensive and rigorous planning effort ty groups - although staff and financial to obtain community involvement. Even resources for this were lacking. The citwith resources and the right intentions, however, a citizens' advisory committee communities do not establish that their such as the LUCE is most responsive to communities that are mobilized and advocate for their interests in an organized, sustained and persistent fashion. Project or issue-specific threats to that sense of wellbeing is what draws these 'passive' communities and interest groups to en- for community-engagement and influgage in planning. In a relatively affluent ence in plan making. The fact that comcity like San Luis Obispo, the historical evidence suggests that the need for street San Luis Obispo, and elsewhere, consistcalming, noise abatement, preventing ently lack significant participation sugnon-conforming land use, controlling gests that understanding the detailing property damaging behavior, quickly of the processes in Delano and San Luis mobilizes 'the community' to success- Obispo offer some useful lessons for othfully apply pressure on the city council er communities. The approach must be for actions to remedy the problem. The flexible and planners must go to where Delano case study suggests that open, community groups already are. One of collaborative processes may not work if the jobs of the planner then becomes community groups and their members the translation of stories and concerns are engaged with more immediate and of these groups into outcomes that can basic needs, lack the resources or time to rightly be addressed through planning. participate, or are participating in political activities they deem more important.

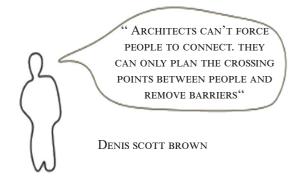
talk about land use. Conclusions from the discovery chapter must be made months by citizens. Perhaps, with more izens' brief experiences and findings in advocacy efforts are accurate or that they will be adopted by the mainstream and ultimately implemented. With careful attention to the local context the specific collaborative planning processes that are shaped by cities can be effective venues prehensive planning efforts in Delano,

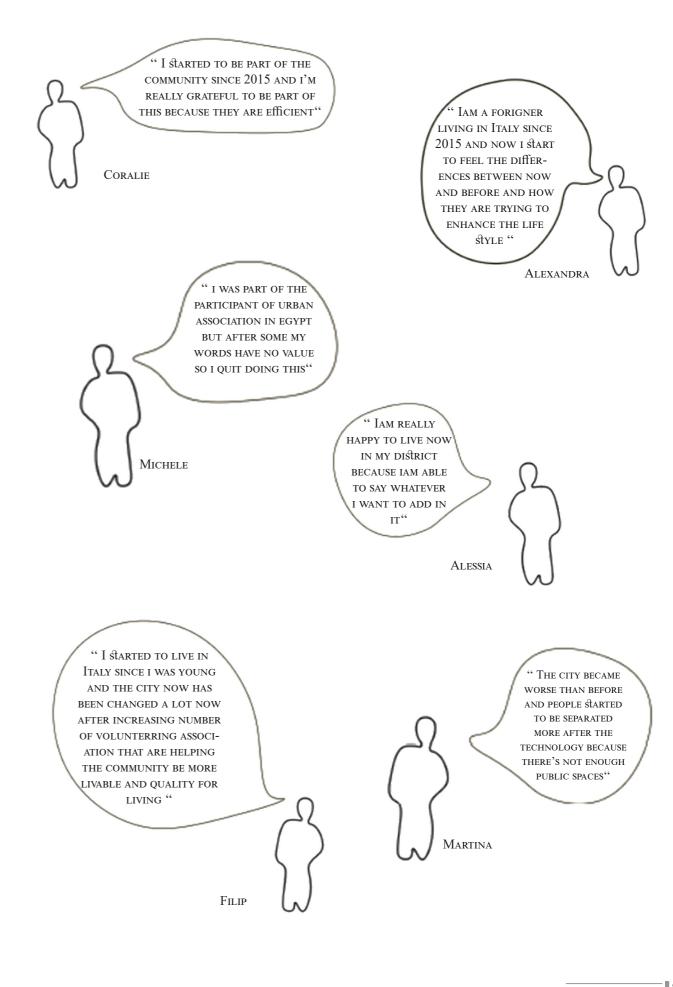
# REFLECTION



#### 1-ITALIAN CASE STUDY

TORINO, ITALY WILL BE MY FIRST CASE STUDY THAT I WILL APPLY THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ON IT TO MAKE IT CONNECTED AND LIVABLE WITH DIFFERENT CONSEQUENCES ON THE SOCIAL LIFE SEEKING TO MAKE THE PEOPLE MORE SATISFIED BY MAKING THE COMMUNITY MORE LIVABLE AND VITAL.





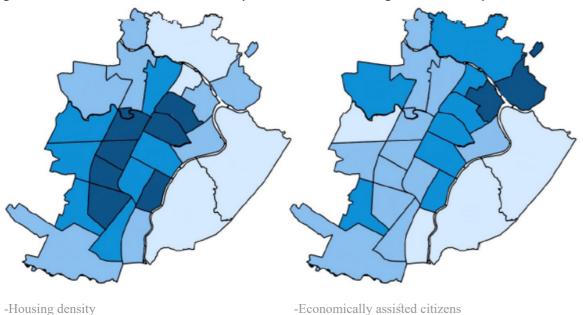


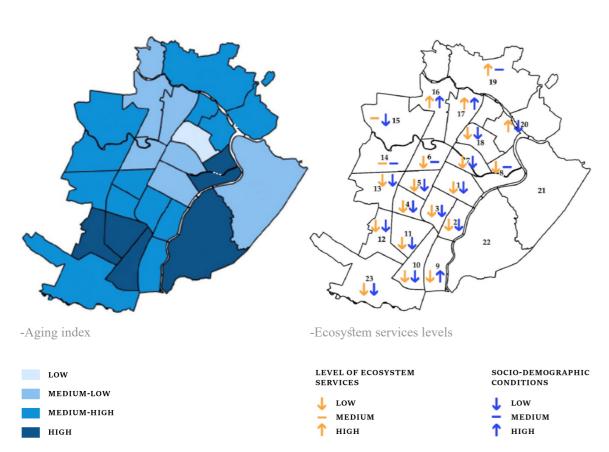
# -THE LOCATION!! - Location of the Italy in the Europe continent. - Location of the Piedmont region -Location of Torino city in Piedmont region

#### 1.1 TORINO BACKGROUND

#### -SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS

The graphs depict the results of descriptive analyses at the neighbourhood scale, highlighting that citizens' socio-demographic characteristics and the distribution of green urban areas are not evenly distributed throughout the city.





-Source: Battisti, L., Pomatto, E., & Larcher, F. (2019, December). Assessment and Mapping Green Areas Ecosystem Services and Socio-Demographic Characteristics in Turin Neighborhoods (Italy). MDPI.

#### -TORINO CITY

After Milano and Roma, Torino is the fourth most populous city in Italy and the third most important economic and industrial centre. Torino has a long and storied history as an industrial manufacturing city and a driving force in the Italian car industry. However, in recent years, it has transformed and evolved and is no longer solely industrial; it has evolved into a famous centre of excellence in research, technology, and innovation, as well as a globally recognised academic institution. The Politecnico di Torino and the Università degli Studi di Torino are both listed in the QS Rankings, a global ranking of top institutions, and the prominent business school ESCP Europe has had a branch in the city since 2004.

	2017	2018	2019 forecast	2020 forecast	2021 forecast
Population (% change on previous year)	-0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
GDP (% change on previous year)	1.8%	0.7%	0.1% 💙	0.4%	0.5%
Unemployment rate (%)	11.3%	10.6%	10.2%	10.3%	10.2%
Industrial production (% change on previous year)	3.7%	0.5%	-0.4% 💙	0.3%	1.7%
Companies profits (% change on previous year)	3.4%	-0.7%	2.7%	7.4%	1.4%
Imports (% change on previous year)	5.8%	1.8%	0.9%	2.0%	2.3%
Exports (% change on previous year)	6.4%	1.4%	2.5%	1.6% 🔻	2.2%
N° of universities in QS Ranking	28	30	30*	34*	n.a.
N° of international tourists (mln)	60.5	63.2	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.

8	2,259,523 (2019) Inhabitants	<b>331 (2019)</b> Inhabitants / sq.km	<b>221,842 (2019)</b> Foreigners	€ 23,266 (2017)  Average disposable income per capita in Torino
P	1 Airport	<b>3,050 km</b> Roads	8 lines, 93 stations served Public transport: 16 transway lines, 83 bus lines and 1 underground line, metropolitan railway service	17 million / year Public transport passengers
	<b>193,423 (2018)</b> Active companies	658 Multinational companies	€67 bn (2016) GDP	<b>4.3% (2016)</b> National GDP
8	13 University and AFAM locations	102,769 (2017 / 2018) No. students	9% (2017 / 2018) Foreign students	1,500 (2016 / 2017) ERASMUS students
	<b>312</b> Municipalities	<b>6,827 kmq</b> Territorial area	<b>52%</b> Mountainous area	<b>4,700 km</b> Bicycle paths
4	<b>7</b> Parks in the region	8 Regional natural reserves	5 Parks in the metropolitan area	<b>4</b> UNESCO sites
血	<b>2,506,000 (2018)</b> Tourists	25.5% Foreign tourists	70,024 (2018) Beds	3,550,000 (2017) Museums visitors

-key macro-economic indicators, Italy -Key figures for the metropolitan area of Torino -Source: Ceipiemonte & JLL. (2019). Torino Urban Profile 2019. City of Torino. - Infrastructure: Torino's International Airport Sandro Pertini is the region's primary airport, located only 16 kilometres from the city centre. It was renovated and enlarged in preparation for the 2006 Winter Olympics, and in 2018, it hosted over 4.1 million passengers, the second largest figure yet. The 4,500-square-meter new arrivals area was inaugurated in July 2019. GTT's SFM Torino-Aeroporto-Cere train line takes just 19 minutes to connect the city to Caselle International Airport. Once the Torino Passante Ferroviario (a cross-city railway that will connect the city centre to the north-west area, Juventus Stadium, Venaria Reale, and Lanzo Valleys), combined with the Corso Grosseto tunnel, will provide direct service from the airport to the city.





-Key figures for the metropolitan area of Torino -Source: Ceipiemonte & JLL. (2019). Torino Urban Profile 2019. City of Torino.

#### Asset / Area: Former RAI Building

Location: Via Cernaia 33, 200 mt from Metro Line 1 and from Porta Susa high-speed station

Description: Headquarters of Rai Direzione Generale of Torino until 2014, the building was built in the 1960s based on a design by Domenico Morelli and Aldo Morbelli, and it is one of the highest and most visible in Torino. The use is office, with exhibition and conference activities permitted, as well as hospitality.

#### Asset / Area: Torino Nuova Economia (TNE)

Location: Corso Luigi Settembrini 164, 1 km from the city ring road and 8 km from Porta Susa high-speed station

Description: Approximately 300,000 sqm of former industrial area to be redeveloped, enhancing its strategic role with the creation of a new multi-purpose innovation, research and development centre. The area is split into three sections (A, B, C). The Design Center (2011) and new Tecnocad Progetti headquarters have already been built; Nova Coop will develop a multifunctional centre within 2021. Politecnico di Torino and Unione Industriale di Torino are currently evaluating the creation of a "Manufacturing Technology Competence Center"; production activities and services are also envisaged.

Timing: Immediate availability

#### Asset / Area: Former Westinghouse - New Congress Center

Location: Via Paolo Borsellino 20, 1 km from Metro Line 1 and from Porta Susa high-speed station

Description: The project for a new Congress Center is foreseen in one of the most interesting areas of Torino, in terms of accessibility and quality of new urban projects, including Intesa Sanpaolo headquarters in Torino, doubling of Politecnico di Torino, Energy Center and OGR Cultural Hub.

Timing: Congress Centre management to be selected

#### Asset / Area: Porta Susa Spina 2

Location: Corso Inghilterra, directly linked to Porta Susa Station

Description: A 7,400 sqm lot situated in front of Intesa San Paolo tower designed by Renzo Piano; opportunity to achieve a higher volume by adding various uses (office, hotel, retail and residential).

#### Asset / Area: Urban development, railway areas

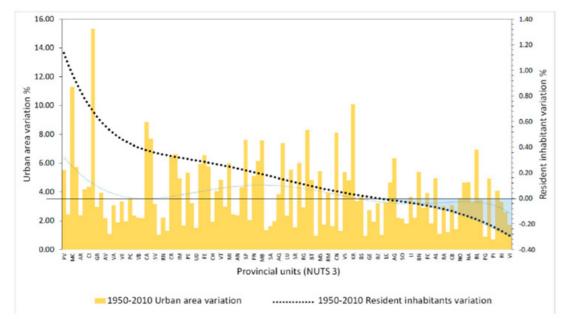
Location: Porta Susa Spina 2, Oddone Spina 3, Rebaudengo Spina 4, Lingotto Parco della Salute, Lingotto FS, San Paolo, Brunelleschi

**Description:** Development of seven railway areas covering approximately 500,000 sqm. The project envisages urban regeneration projects, the enhancement of the territory in terms of environmental sustainability, infrastructural integrations and changes of asset use.

#### Asset / Area: Masterplan, Politecnico di Torino

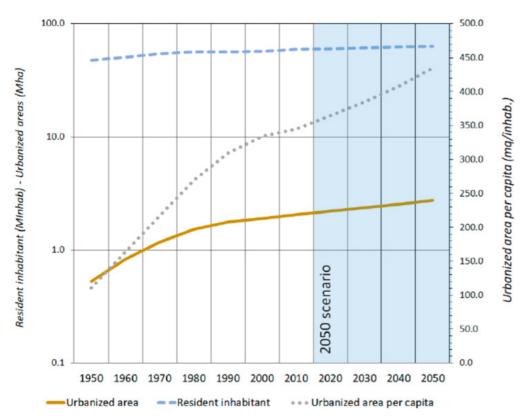
Location: Campus centrale ingegneria (Corso Duca degli Abruzzi, 24), Campus Valentino (Viale Mattioli, 39)

**Description:** Expansion project of the current locations and redevelopment of the existing buildings for an additional area of over 100,000 sqm. Expansion of Cittadella Politecnica is envisaged, along with the Energy Park area and Campus Valentino, through the creation of new lecture halls, a cultural centre, areas for events, study and recreational activities, an auditorium and services.



-How to define the city

-Source: University of L'Aquila, Romano, B., & Fiorini, L. (2020, August). The Urbanization Run-Up in Italy: From a Qualitative Goal in the Boom Decades to the Present and Future Unsustainability. MDPI.



- The curves show the comparison between population and urbanization dynamics against per capita urbanization in the periods analyzed and in the 2050 scenario -Source: University of L'Aquila, Romano, B., & Fiorini, L. (2020, August). The Urbanization Run-Up in Italy: From a Qualitative Goal in the Boom Decades to the Present and Future Unsustainability. MDPI.

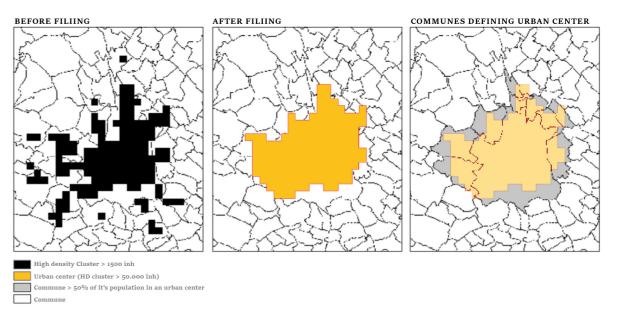
#### -GENERAL ANALYSIS

The harmonisation definition standards had been altered to reflect the European countries' overarching goal. The lack of a unified definition of a city and its functional area has hampered European city studies. The European Commission has produced a reasonably simple and harmonised definition in collaboration with the OECD to be as stated below:

- A city consisting of one or more municipalities (local administrative unit level 2)
- At least half of the population lives in the city's urban areas.
- -A city must have a population of at least 50 000 people. It is made up of a dense cluster of contiguous 1 km2 grid cells with a population density of at least 1,500 people per km2.

Denulation Class	Number o	f cities *	Population			
Population Class —	absolute	in %	absolute	in %		
rural population			154 125 040	32.1		
towns and suburbs	•		156 398 720	32.6		
50 000 - 100 000	387	52.9	26 690 068	5.6		
100000 - 250000	224	30.6	35 708 402	7.4		
250000 - 500000	62	8.5	21 213 956	4.4		
500 000 - 1 000 000	36	4.9	27 041 874	5.6		
> 1 000 000	23	3.1	59 292 080	12.3		
Total	732	100.0	480 470 140	100.0		

-Defining cities according to density of the population (the 2001 population of the EU-27). -Source: University of L'Aquila, Romano, B., & Fiorini, L. (2020, August). The Urbanization Run-Up in Italy: From a Qualitative Goal in the Boom Decades to the Present and Future Unsustainability. MDPI.

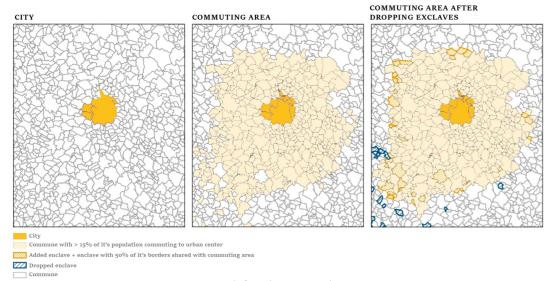


-How to define the city

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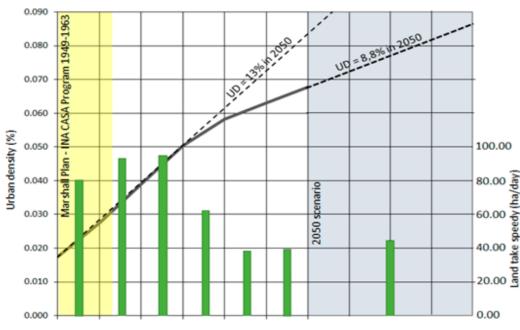
Once all cities have been defined, a functional area can be identified based on commuting patterns using the following steps:

- When 15% of employed persons in one city work in another, the two cities are merged into a single destination.
- -All municipalities with at least 15% of their people employed in a city are indicated.
- -Municipalities that are surrounded by a single functional area are included, while municipalities that are not contiguous are excluded.



-How to define the commuting zone

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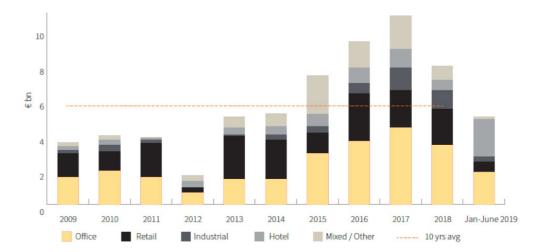


-Land take rates during the different time periods

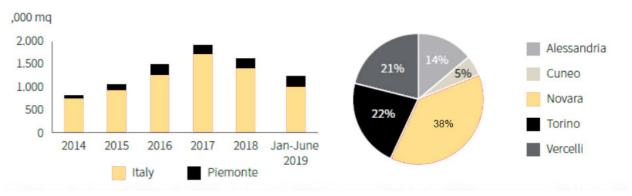
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#### -MACRO SCALE ANALYSIS

-Market for investments with a total volume of €5.1 billion in the first semester of 2019, Italy ranks 13th among the leading markets for commercial real estate investment, confirming our country's growing interest. Despite a slowdown in 2018, the trend is on an upward. The foreign role is once again crucial for the growth of the domestic market. Volumes increased significantly in the first half of 2019 compared to the same period in 2018 (+36%), as well as compared to the 5-year average of the same period (+19%). Investments were also higher at the end of June 2019 than in 2017, a record year for the Italian market.



- Logistics take-up -Source: Ceipiemonte & JLL. (2019). Torino Urban Profile 2019. City of Torino.



-investment volume in CRE (€ bn), 2009 – 1st semester 2019 -Source: Ceipiemonte & JLL. (2019). Torino Urban Profile 2019. City of Torino.

	June 2019	12-month outlook
Prime net yield <sup>11</sup>	6.50%	ψ
Prime rent <sup>12</sup>	42 € / sqm / year	$\rightarrow$
Prime net yield light industrial	9.50%	Ψ
Prime rent light industrial	45 € / sqm / year	$\rightarrow$
Prime net yield last mile	6.00%	Ψ
Prime rent last mile	55 €/sqm/year	<b>↑</b>

-key logistics market indicators, Torino

-Source: Ceipiemonte & JLL. (2019). Torino Urban Profile 2019. City of Torino.

#### 1.2 CASA DEL QUARTIERE



The Casa del Quartiere di San Salvario is a project promoted and implemented by the Local Development Agency of San Salvario Onlus in collaboration with the City of Turin, Compagnia di San Paolo, District 8, and a large number of non-profit organisations. The Casa del Quartiere di San Salvario serves as a testing ground for social and cultural activities. Associations, citizens, and artistic and cultural operators are all involved in an open and multicultural space, a point of convergence, meeting, and exchange of activities and people.

There is a cafeteria, a playroom, an office, a co-working space, one kid's room, a terrace and a courtyard, a meeting room, information desks, and listening spaces at the Casa del Quartiere di San Salvario. You can take part in artistic workshops, courses in dance, oriental disciplines, music and singing, language and computer science; organize birthday parties, conferences, and performances; or suggest activities to be planned and implemented in collaboration with others. Furthermore, for the past 30 years, the Agency has granted the construction of the former public baths in via Morgari 14 and manages and coordinates the activities of the Casa del Quartiere.

#### -financing situation

- -Profits income from economic activities (such as renting a business branch in the cafeteria)
- -Cost sharing by the users of the spaces and services of the House
- -Residual commercial uses of the spaces of the House (rent spaces for birthday parties and private activities)
- -Donations, contributions for projects and activities directly connected with the House's main activity.



-One of the youth public event -Photo credit: Casa del quartiere

#### -Costing plan for the association

- -Personal
- -Utilities, cleaning, ordinary and extraordinary maintenance
- -Cultural initiatives and activities.

### -ACTIVITIES OF THE CASA DEL QUARTIERE

Management and coordination of activities, as well as support for all initiatives, are carried out by:

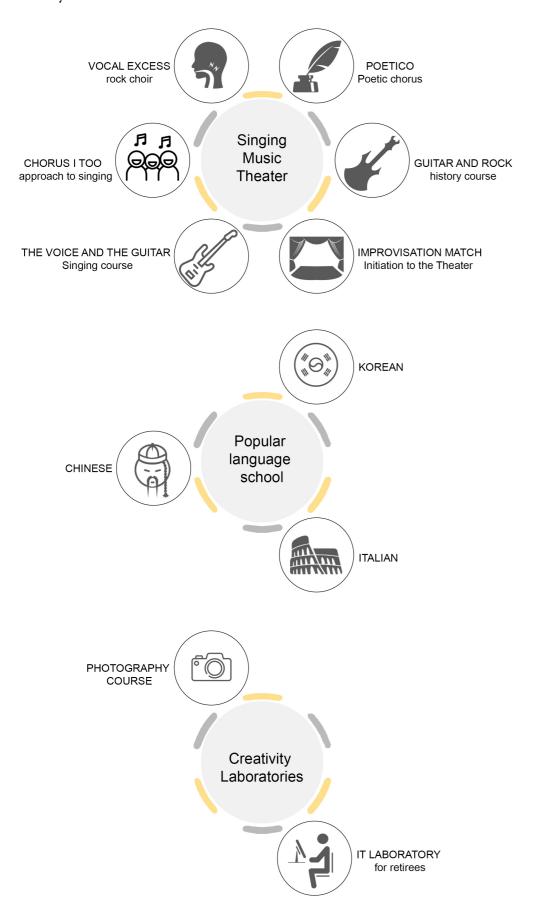
- -A collection of cards from proposals or meetings with the subjects being proposed.
- -Preparation and management of the House's activity calendar.
- -Activity and event operational co-planning, i.e.
- -Organizational and logistical assistance for events, meetings, shows, and parties.
- -Space preparation, both technically and logistically.
- -Activities involving communication
- -Meetings with "resident" associations in groups.
- -Cleaning, routine and emergency maintenance of the spaces.



-One of the community event of the association -Photo credit: Casa del quartiere

#### -CURRENT PROJECTS

# 1-Community courses





-Photography course -Photo credit: Casa del quartiere



-Vocal course -Photo credit: Casa del quartiere



-Maestro Giorgio Guiot, having picked up the baton from Anna Pugliese, has been carrying out the Silver Choir for some years now: the choir of the Women Association for the Defense of Civil Society. The space that usually hosts women's meetings has been open to all those who want to join the choir.

-Photo credit: Casa del quartiere

-There are Italian courses for foreigners to help them more to involve in the community without having the language barrier and improve their knowledge about the Italian community by learning the language

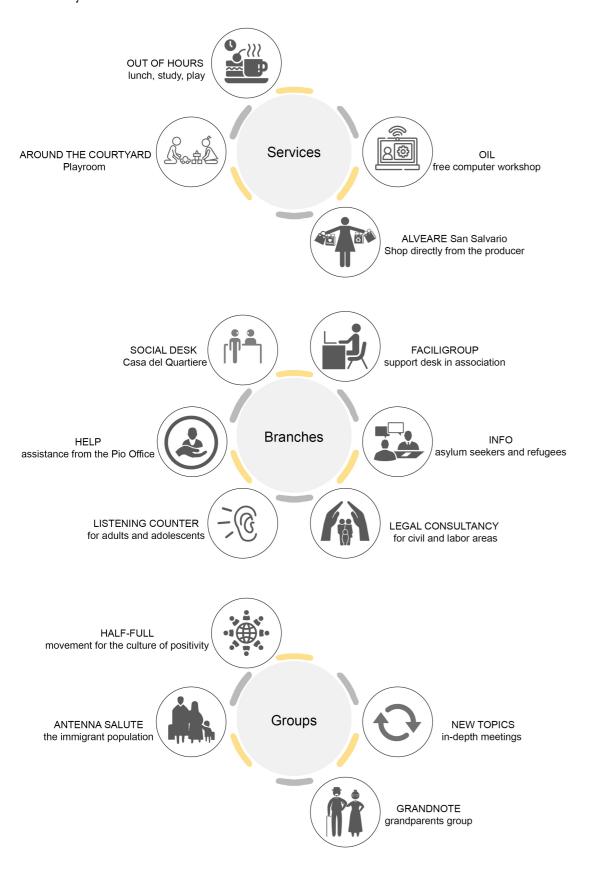
-Photo credit: Casa del quartiere



per donne e uomini di ogni età, a cura di Cinzia Masetto



# 2-Community services



-It is a free information desk open to all that deals with informing citizens about the activities of the SPI CGIL, such as: social security services, tax services, social assistance and health, for immigrants, for carers and home helps, for related problems to the house and for social tourism.

-Photo credit: Casa del quartiere





-The Social Desk of the Casa del Quartiere supports people in listening and orientation in the context of:

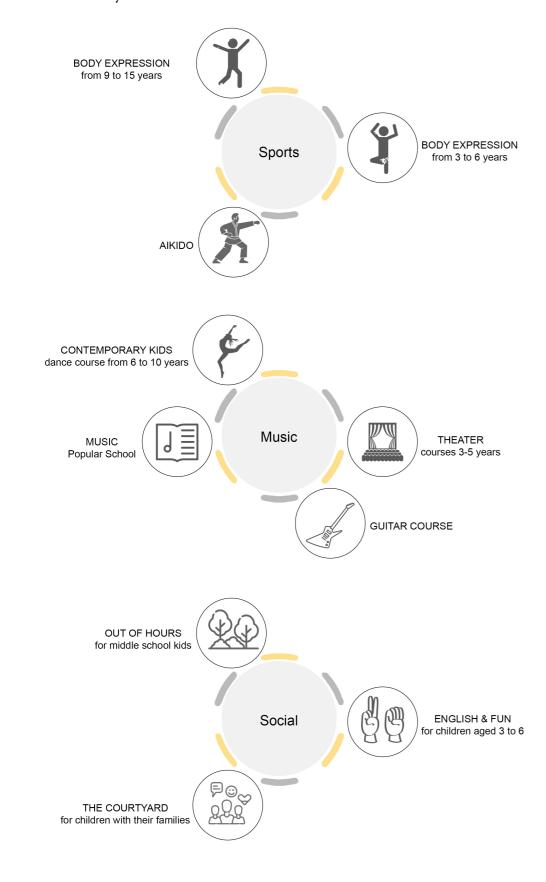
social secretariat (filling in applications and forms, information on services, SPID - digital identity) accompaniment to local services dedicated to resolving fragility linguistic and cultural mediation -Photo credit: Casa del quartiere

-The EXAR Employment Desk is aimed at both companies that place people within their structures and candidates looking for employment. The service is available free of charge by appointment. -Photo credit: Casa del

quartiere



# 3-Children and boys activities





-Teatrulla's courses are a moment of non-performing play -Photo credit: Casa del quartiere



-The workshop offers the possibility to sensitize the child towards a form of artistic discipline such as dance.
-Photo credit: Casa del quartiere



-It is a space where parents can come and play with their child: they will find materials, proposals for activities, other parents with whom to share experiences and doubts. To meet and discuss, invent and propose, collaborate, discover. Play without games... or traditional games, with recycled materials, with fairy tales and stories.

-Photo credit: Casa del quartiere

-is an innovative service, launched at the Casa del Quartiere di San Salvario in 2013, aimed at children who attend the middle schools in the neighborhood, open from the time they leave school. require an afternoon service dedicated to filling the lunch and post-lunch times of middle school children

-Photo credit: Casa del quartiere

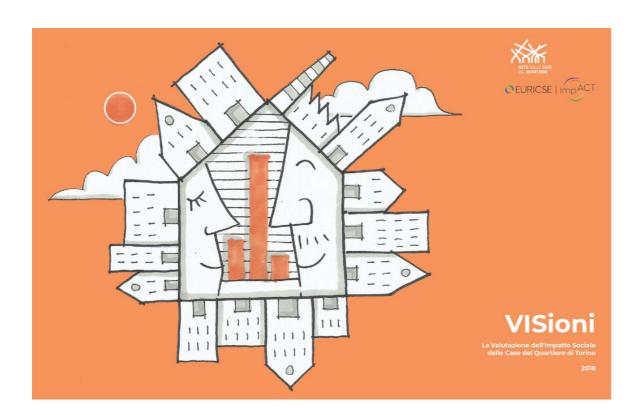


#### 1.3 THE CONSEQUENCES

The Neighbourhood Homes Network was accompanied on a data collection path that included the network of over 300 third-party entities that collaborate with the Homes via the Impact method proposed by Euricse, a Trento-based research foundation.

An attempt was made to assess the social impact of the houses by developing quantitative and qualitative indices and indicators that explain the outcomes, well-being promoted, and social changes brought about by the action of the neighbourhood houses. To date, there are eight Neighborhood Houses in Turin, each in a different area, almost completely covering the city territory, and sharing some characteristic:

- -Places open to all citizens
- -Spaces for active participation
- -Accessible, welcoming and generative places for encounters
- -Shared spaces not home exclusive ones.
- -Containers of multiple designs
- -the operators: competent social artisans
- -Intermediate places between the public and private sectors
- -Spaces in search of the right relationship between economic autonomy and public support
- -Places rooted in the territory
- -Structures with their own form of governance.



-Source: Neighborhood homes network

# 1-Green makes it's way!!

Duration: 2019-2020

It is a project designed to bring a green path between the public spaces of the San Salvario district, in the below sites:

- -Some stretches of via Madama Cristina
- -Govean Square
- -Graf square
- -The intersections with Corso Dante and Corso Bramante
- The advantages of urban greenery are numerous: From an aesthetic standpoint (who doesn't like trees?) to the recreational function (walking through a beautiful garden rejuvenates the soul), to the microclimatic function, an opportunity to involve schools and residents in the planning, implementation, and maintenance of the interventions.

The green makes its way is a project of LAQUP (leader) with:

- -Women for the defense of civil society
- -Development Agency of San Salvario onlus
- -Foundation for architecture / Turin
- -District 8 of the City of Turin.



-Source: LAQUP -Photo credit: Casa del quartiere

# 2-Down with impact!!

Since: 2019

Abbasso Impatto is a cooperative economy project created by Verdessenza Soc. Coop. and based on the Solidarity Purchase Groups (GAS) model, which is funded by AxTO. It is a collaborative economy project that provides environmentally and economically sustainable products and services to San Salvario's catering and hospitality businesses (from the bar to the B&B). And the cause is as follows: To reduce the environmental impact of commercial establishment consumption and to ensure long-term supply prices through group purchases.

Becoming a local Abbasso Impatto allows you to improve and communicate your positive environmental impact, obtain supplies of eco-sustainable products and services at reduced prices through group purchases, and promote the social inclusion of people in need through initiatives funded by the project. A portion of the proceeds from the activities will be donated to the Casa del Quartiere di San Salvario by the Development Agency of San Salvario onlus.

Using detergents on tap with surfactants of vegetable origin, European Ecolabel and FSC Recycled paper (from napkins to tea towels) and electricity from renewable sources alongside CO2 free natural gas.



-Source: Abbasso Impatto

#### 3-CO · CITY!!

#### Since 2019

It is an urban development project promoted by the City of Turin as part of the European Urban Innovative Actions (UIA) programme, which began in early 2017 and will conclude in late 2019. In response to urban decay and the fight against poverty, the project represents an opportunity to develop innovative solutions for the care and management of the city's common goods. Beginning with the adoption of the Urban Common Goods Regulation (approved in Turin in January 2016, and similarly adopted in more than 100 municipalities in Italy), the City intends to promote a new leadership of citizens to make common goods a fundamental resource of the processes of social cohesion and urban regeneration.

Anci, the National Association of Italian Municipalities, the Cascina Roccafranca Foundation, the Network of Neighbourhood Houses' leader, and the University of Turin are project partners. All of the realities involved in the project serve as a starting point for urban regeneration actions to be implemented in the area.

#### WHO ARE THE ACTIVE CITIZENS?

By active citizens, we mean all individuals, associates, or anyone else gathered in social formations, even if they are informal and entrepreneurial in nature, who, regardless of residency or citizenship requirements, are also activated for limited periods of time for the care, management, or regeneration of common goods. Those public goods can become common goods, which, if cared for and regenerated by the community, can improve the quality of life for all.



-Source: Urban innovative actions UIA

#### 4-Green heart!!

since: 2009

San Salvario has a green heart is an annual garden-nursery exhibition-market organised by the Association of Women for the Defence of Civil Society in collaboration with the Association for the Local Development of San Salvario onlus, with the participation of many associations and organisations.

With this event, it has been argued for years that the historic Corso Marconi, which with its large trees follows the oldest route in Turin, should be re-evaluated in its functions as a public space and safeguarded in its appearance, buying for the neighborhood but also for the entire city the urban and environmental role that it deserves, while retaining the current landscape characteristic, of a green telescope that connects the Valentino Castle to the Chur.

The Corso Marconi event is accompanied by a series of other initiatives:

- Flower balconies competition: balconies with flowers improve the quality of the facade of buildings (especially when they are not very significant).
- Visit to private green courtyards: the San Salvario district is characterized by the presence of numerous closed private courtyards.
- The conferences in June: on the occasion of the week of the environment, various forms of urban greening are discussed.
- Photo contest: to attract attention through the photography of greenery. To date, two exhibitions have been held: Unexpected green and Green that feeds.



-Source: Local Development of San Salvario onlus -Photo credit: Casa del quartiere

# 5-Space for everyone!!

Since 2016

A micro-requalification and animation project of San Salvario's public space, through the testing of a novel method of citizen participation and activation to improve the quality of life in the neighbourhood, as well as the promotion of some proposals to physically improve public spaces by:

- Defining the feasibility of the proposal and its sustainability over time.
- Managing relations with the offices of the District and the City to identify the procedures to be followed.
- Providing technical support in the realization of the shared intervention.
- Providing visibility to all the micro-requalification interventions of the territory in an overall picture, through an interactive map on the website www.spazioxtutti.it

Space for Everyone has collaborated in:

- Promoting sustainable mobility by arranging new racks for bicycles, placing repair kits for cyclists in shops, public places and associations and placing signs on the ground.
- Improving small spaces with interventions on furnishings, greenery and maintenance in general, then preparing a cultural program to animate the space (Ginzburg flowerbed).
- Giving shape to projects of small transformation of the space in front of places of public use (Lombroso 16, Manzoni Rayneri state school).
- Proposing alternative uses of public space for socio-recreational purposes (terrace on via Lombroso of the Asai association).
- Involving citizens, businesses and schools in rethinking greener and human-sized streets (Green blocks in via Principe Tommaso: Bay nursery school, traders and inhabitants of the street).



-Source: LAQUP -Photo credit: Casa del quartiere

#### 6-Let's make a room!!

since: 2014

The project was designed and implemented by the San Salvario onlus, LAQUP, Women for the Defense of Civil Society, and Solco onlus Local Development Agency Associations. The project, which LAQUP submitted to the CRT Foundation's call for ordinary requests, received a 13,000 Euro contribution and was completed in 2014. Let's Make Space was composed of:

Phase 1 - The spatial mapping The first phase of mapping the district's public spaces began with a comparison between the partner associations, which identified (based on their knowledge of the territory): spaces of such dimensions as to allow a visible intervention of micro-redevelopment; spaces of reduced dimensions but of collective interest because they are connected to public utility services (libraries, schools, public offices, hospitals, and etc.); and possible paths for connecting these spaces.

Phase 2 - Perception mapping and path identification During the territory's listening phase, ten associations or groups of subjects belonging to specific categories or services (e.g., traders, schools, places of worship, playroom) were directly involved: Moroccan Bab Sahara Association, Women's Civil Society Defense Association, Manzoni People Association, Philippine Center of Turin c/o San Giovanni Evangelista parish, Church of SS. Pietro e Paolo/Sacred Heart Oratory, Group of traders, Group of women from the mosque in via Saluzzo, Group of mothers who participate in the Banca del Tempo's self-managed playroom Regina Margherita Institute of Technology. An analysis of perceptions and interests revealed that several spaces in the neighbourhood received particular consideration; however, for reasons of feasibility, the choice was winnowed down to three: Via Valperga Caluso, Piazza Madama Cristina, and Piazza Govean. In comparison to the Urban Furniture Sector on the aforementioned spaces, the space in front of the Liceo Regina Margherita in via Valperga Caluso n° 11, as the first intervention on this axis, was the most easily feasible intervention and had the greatest repercussions in terms of visibility and use.

Phase 3 - Priority space re-evaluation the associations have shared a micro-redevelopment project of the square in front of the school with the Urban Furniture Sector of the City of Turin and with District 8 by providing in the first step: the replacement of some taproot bollards with stone bollards (also serving as seating) made available by the City of Turin; the replacement of some taproot bollards with planters with shrubs; the insertion of flower boxes with vines close to the facade of the school to make it greener and more welcoming; the insertion of two flower boxes with small trees on either side of the entrance; the inclusion of six benches.



-Photo credit: Casa del quartiere



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-Some changes in the public spaces to make it more bike -a proposal for old area to make it more public with some and pedestrian friendly

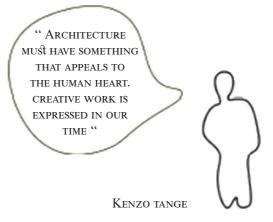


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-Source: LAOUP

# REFLECTION

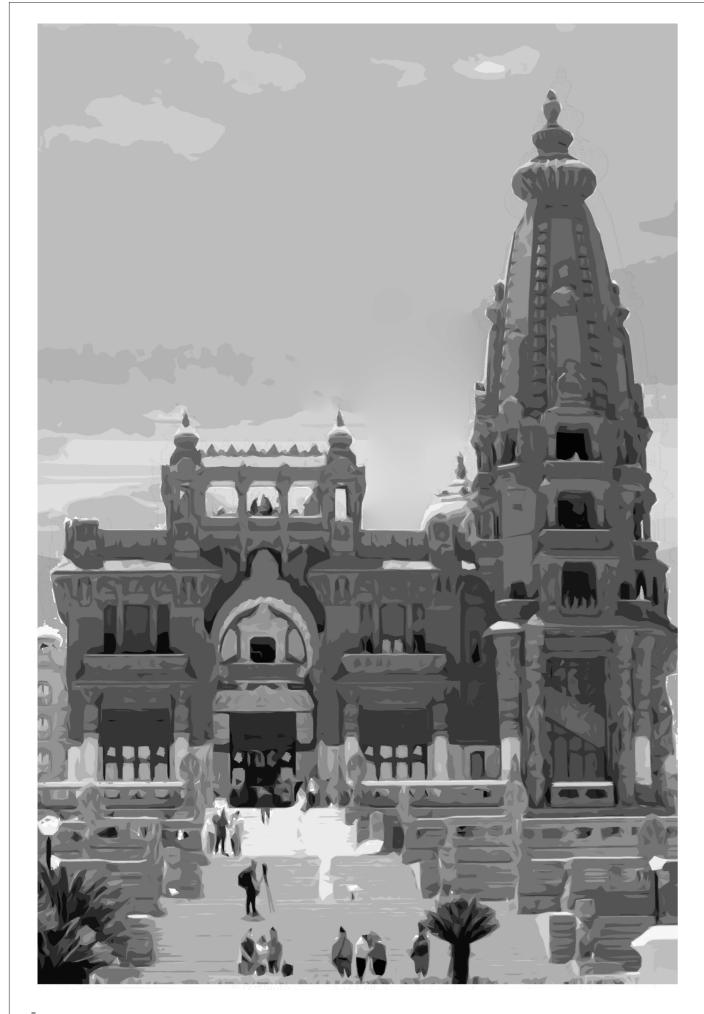


#### 2-EGYPTIAN CASE STUDY

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' It's very easy to make PEOPLE PARTICIPAT IN THEIR COMMUNITY BECAUSE YOU JUST NEED TO MAKE THEM FEEL BEFORE I WAS SUPER VALUABLE." HAPPY LIVING IN MY DISTRICT BECAUSE THE PEOPLE WERE SO CONNECTED TO THEY Mohanad HAD VERY GOOD RELA-TIONS BUT NOW THE COMMUNITY BECAME MORE SEPERATED " Nayera " I LOVE TO BE IN HELIOPOLIS BECAUSE IT WAS SO ACTIVE AND LIVABLE BUT NOW IT STARTED TO BE CHANGED AND IT BECAME MORE QUIET " "I REALLY MISS MY LIFE IN CAIOR BE-Moaz CAUSE EVEN IF NOW IT'S NOT AS BEFORE BUT IT'S STILL MUCH BETTER FOR ME" Yousra ' I really want to be PART OF THE COMMUNI-" FEELING SAFETY TY AND TRY ALWAYS TO IS ONE OF MY PRIOR-CHANGE IN THE PLACE ITY FEELING THAT THAT IAM LIVING AND I WANT TO FEEL IN FEEL MORE RESPONSIBLE MY DISTRICT BUT BUT IN EGYPT WE DON'T I'M NOT FEELING HAVE THIS RIGHT TO ASK IT AFTER THESE IT BUT IAM TRYING TO DO CHANGING " IT WITH THE INFORMAL ASSOSIATION" Mariam ALI ESSAM 2-EGYPTIAN CASE STUDY 105

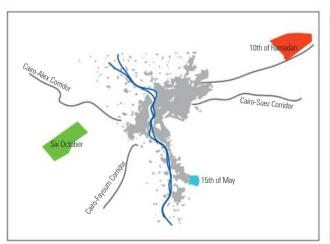


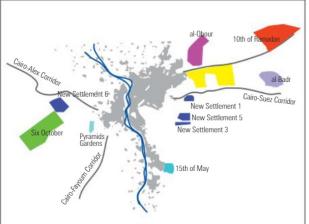


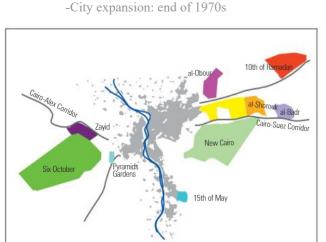
#### 2.1 CAIRO BACKGROUND

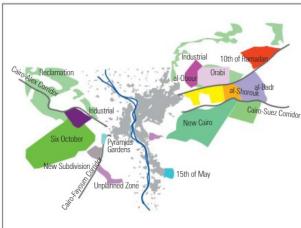
#### -CAIRO, EGYPT OVERVIEW.

Cairo, Egypt's capital, is a site of physical contrast. Lush vegetation coexists with lofty towers along the well-irrigated beach. It is one of Africa's most populous cities. Cairo has stood on the Nile's banks for over 1,000 years, predominantly on the eastern bank, around 500 miles (800 kilometres) downstream from the Aswan High Dam. Cairo, in the country's northeast, is the entry point to the Nile delta, where the lower Nile divides into the Rosetta and Damietta branches. Metropolitan Cairo is consisting of the Cairo governorate, as well as other districts, some of which belong to neighbouring governorates such as Al-Jīzah and Qalūbiyyah. Area governorate, 83 square miles (214 square km).









-City expansion: end of 1980s

-City expansion: early 1990s

-City expansion: end of 2000s

#### -Cairo changes through time

-Source: Faculty of Arts, Alexandria University, Alexandria, Ma, Z., Zhang, S., & Zhao, S. (2021, January). Study on the Spatial Pattern of Migration Population in Egypt and Its Flow Field Characteristics from the Perspective of "Source-Flow-Sink." MDPI.

	2007 Population	Annual Growth Rate (%)	% of Urban Population	% of Total Population	Population Increase per Year
Cairo	11,893,000	1.7	36.9	15.8	202,000
Khartoum	4,754,000	2.8	29.0	12.3	131,000
Alexandria	4,165,000	2.0	12.9	5.5	85,000
Algiers	3,354,000	2.2	15.3	9.9	74,000
Casablanca	3,181,000	0.8	18.3	10.2	25,000
Tripoli	2,189,000	2.0	45.9	35.5	45,000
Rabat	1,705,000	1.9	9.8	3.2	33,000
Banghazi	1,180,000	2.7	24.8	19.2	31,000
Fes	1,002,000	2.0	5.8	2.8	20,000
Marrakech	872,000	1.7	5.0	5.5	15,000
Oran	798,000	2.2	3.6	2.4	17,000

-Population dynamics for most popular north African cities

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-Urban populations ratio 1970-2050

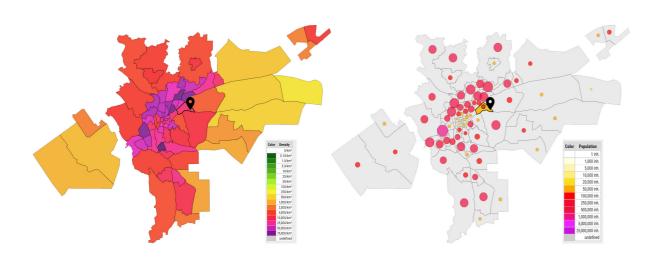
Country	City	Year	Access to safe water	Improved sanitation	Finished main floor material	Sufficient living area
Egypt	Alexandria	2005	99.9	94.3	100.0	98.0
Egypt	Cairo	2005	99.6	89.2	99.6	96.8
Mauritania	Nouakchott	2000	94.4	59.8	62.9	50.3
Morocco	Casablanca	2004	100.0	98.9	100.0	88.2
Morocco	Rabat	2004	99.9	99.7	97.9	93.1
Sudan	Khartoum	2000	96.0	18.0	17.8	54.9

-Living condition of urban households %

-Source: Faculty of Arts, Alexandria University, Alexandria, Ma, Z., Zhang, S., & Zhao, S. (2021, January). Study on the Spatial Pattern of Migration Population in Egypt and Its Flow Field Characteristics from the Perspective of "Source-Flow-Sink." MDPI.

#### -THE DISTRICT'S HISTORY.

Heliopolis' earliest records come from the first decade of the twentieth century, when Belgian financier and commercial tycoon Baron Edward Empain rushed to Cairo in anticipation of the economic boom (Elsheshtawy, 2004). Empain founded the Cairo electric railway and the Heliopolis oasis enterprise in 1905. Boughos Nubar, the son of the country's first prime minister, helped Baron Empain buy 5,952 feddans (1 feddan = 4,200 square metres) of vacant desert from the colonial administration for one pound each, on which he built Heliopolis. Baron Baron's efforts culminated in 1907 with the construction of Heliopolis, a new town in the desert 10 kilometres from Cairo's centre. Baron Baron's efforts culminated in 1907 with the construction of Heliopolis, a new town in the desert ten kilometres from the It is located between the airport and the city centre. In reality, Baron was more than an investor; he was an inventor, and his vision was well-founded.



-Density analysis map -Source: National Geographic Cairo DestinationMap

-Population analysis map -Source: National Geographic Cairo DestinationMap

#### Miṣr al-Jādidah [Heliopolis]

**139,856** Population [2020] - *Estimate* 

9.378 km² Area

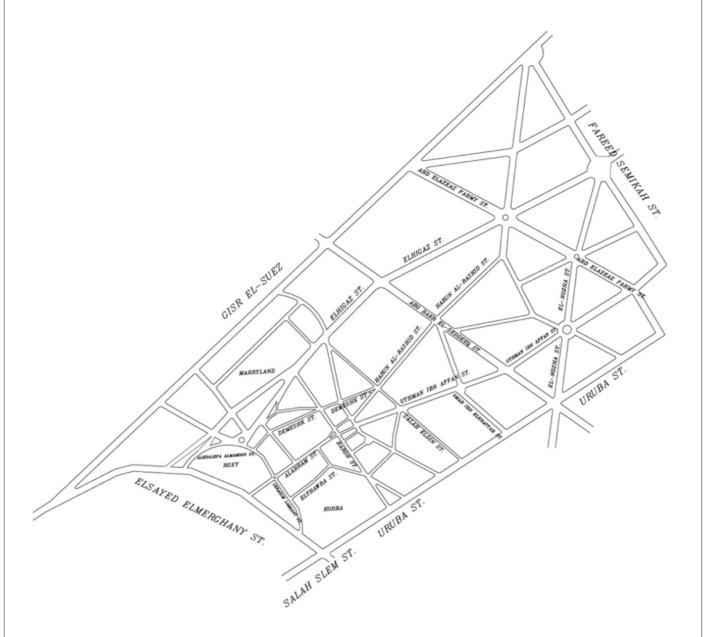
**14,913/km²** Population Density [2020]

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-District general information -Source: National Geographic Cairo DestinationMap

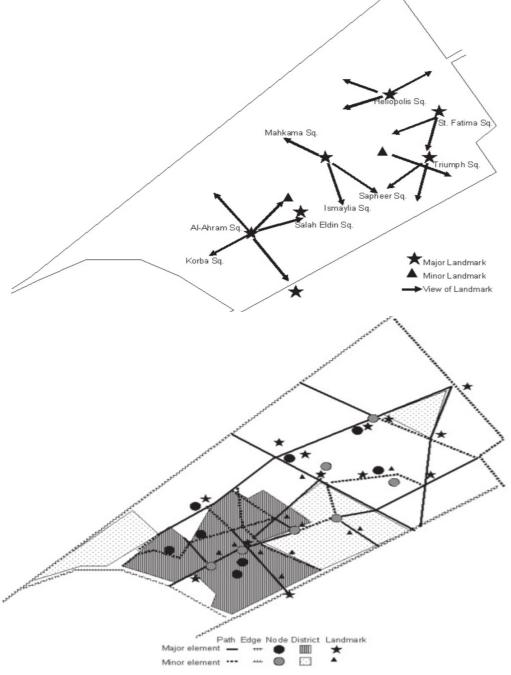
#### -HELIOPOLIS DISTRICT.

The original design is represented in broad avenues in Heliopolis, the centre of authority. Wide avenues or arching boulevards connect huge city squares, and a variety of landmark buildings are carefully arranged to impose majestic views on the cityscape. Despite the fact that Heliopolis has a Western urban structure, there was an attempt to give the buildings an Islamic appearance.

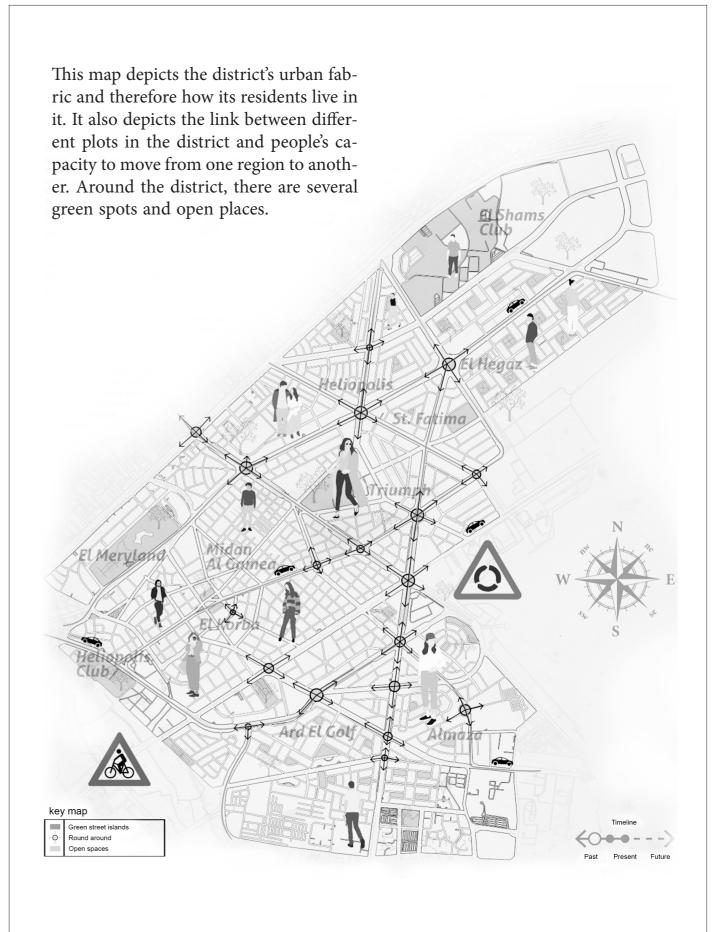


-Heliopolis outline -Source: A. Mohamed, (2012). Evaluation way-finding ability within urban environment (J.Reyes & M. Greene, Eds.) [E-book].

- From the west, Gesr El-Suez, and from the east, Salah Salem, the city of Heliopolis is flanked by highway streets. Because of its direct connection to Uruba Palace, Merghany Street serves as a political southern axis. The suburb is bordered by overhead boundaries such as the El-Galaa bridge on Uruba street and the El-Tagneed bridge on Gesr El-Suez. Similarly, the tramway network provides weak edges between districts. At the end of several streets, there is a magnificent perspective of landmark buildings. For example, Baron Street has a distinctive vista of Baron Palace at its end, in Uruba Street, giving it a distinct identity in this direction. Many of Heliopolis' streets feature this scene.



-Key figures for the metropolitan area of Torino -Source: A. Mohamed, (2012). Evaluation way-finding ability within urban environment (J.Reyes & M. Greene, Eds.) [E-book].



-Heliopolis district overview -Source: collaboration with archiect ahmed yahia

# -THE INFRASTRUCTURE.

Of the last five years, the street network in Heliopolis has altered dramatically, with the government beginning to build additional bridges and focusing more on car roadways. On the other hand, more metro stations may be found within the neighbourhood, making it well connected to the rest of Cairo.



-Heliopolis street network -Source: collaboration with archiect ahmed yahia

#### -THE UPDATE.



-Heliopolis updated overview -Source: collaboration with archiect ahmed yahia

Key Map: Bridge (Flyovers)

# 2.2 LIFE MAKERS (LMF)



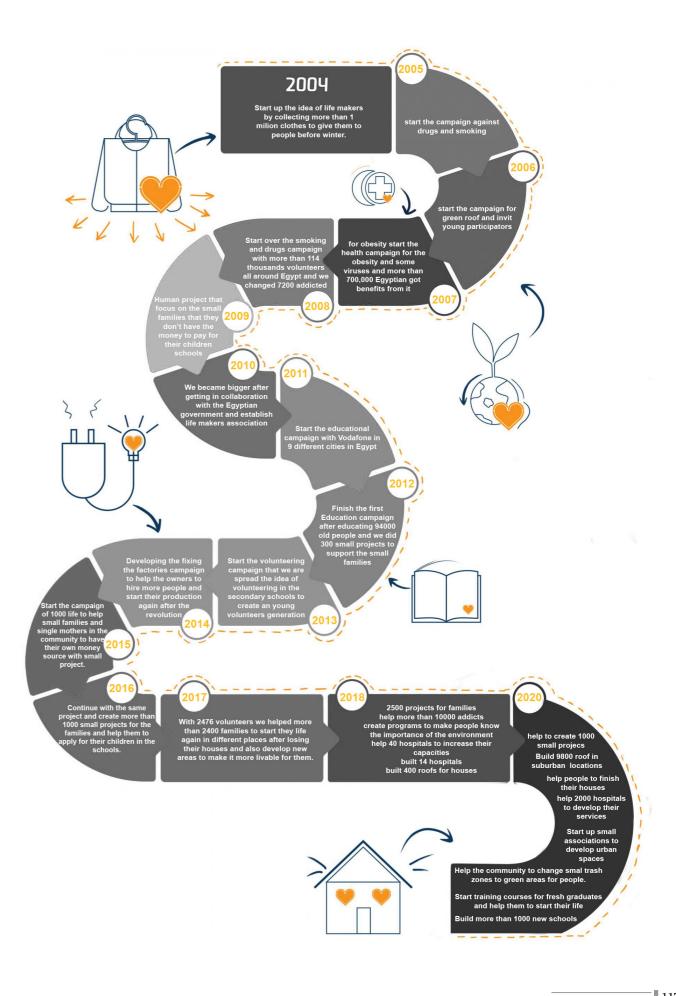


Life Makers Foundation Egypt (LMF) is a national non-governmental, non-profit organisation that was founded in 2011 and is registered with the Egyptian Law of Associations and NGOs under registration number 839 for 2018. The Foundation was founded on volunteerism, and it has worked to improve young people's capacities so that they can work in developing cultures and respond to their humanitarian and relief needs since its founding.

In the areas of youth development, education, health, livelihoods, basic needs, and the environment, the Foundation works directly through its offices and branches throughout the Republic, as well as through partner associations and organizations. In all of their work, they adhere to the core values of humanitarian work: humanism, neutrality, and working according to need and independence, in order to ensure that aid is provided without discrimination based on race, religion, gender, or any other factor. The Life Makers Foundation helps the world's most vulnerable people through humanitarian and development actions. ensuring their participation while maintaining their dignity.



-one of the social events in suburban place -Photo credit: Life makers association photographers



#### 2.3 THE CONSEQUENCES

I assigned certain slots to the most effective and crucial of the objectives they have to build and enhance the community.

First and foremost, they volunteer at the institution. They are attempting to involve the pupils in the process. What really is the situation? Because no industrialised country's society is devoid of a culture of volunteerism like the one that exists in ours. in a brief period of time This is how they are attempting to alter the traditional student's day, which is confined to studying and going out at night, in order to have them play a part in their life that is both beneficial to them and beneficial to their country and society. We will devise a way for those who want it and those who want to try to do it, and this will be more beneficial than other options.

An attempt was made to analyse the social impact of the houses by defining quantitative and qualitative indices and indicators, explaining the outcomes obtained, the well-being promoted, and the social changes brought about by the youth's actions for their communities and for those in need. As a result, you can find them working in suburban areas where none of them grew up, but where they feel a responsibility to improve.

#### -Work methodolgy

The Foundation's work approach is defined by its capacity to qualify and develop the capacities of young volunteers; we select exceptional individuals to serve as community leaders who implement numerous programmes and initiatives through the Volunteer Board of Directors.

#### -Vision

Egyptians are life makers when it comes to youth and hopeful growth, as evidenced by their comprehensive societal development that is beneficial to humanity.

#### -THE MESSAGE

Life Makers is a non-profit, non-governmental, non-religious, non-partisan, and non-political organisation that has been working since 2004 to mobilise the best of humanity to alleviate human suffering and preserve life and rights. We promote, integrate, and qualify youngsters in the fields of development cooperation with successful collaborations in rural, urban, and Egyptian associations to identify and develop the potential of exceptional community leaders.

#### 1-Makers of life!!

We will clean it.... we will plant it.... we will colour it.... we will make life makers happy is the motto they abide by.

A daily volunteering organisation in Helwan, Egypt, in collaboration with the Federation of Egyptian Banks, to develop unplanned regions in Helwan and work in the Kafr El-Alo and Arab Rashid neighbourhoods.

We'll be there for the entire week... In collaboration with Nahdet Misr Company for Environmental Services, we will clean the roadway... We'll go down to the street and maintain the lights poles in collaboration with the Helwan community. We'll bring the trees we plant through the people there to help protect them and prevent pollution, On Friday, October 3, we will celebrate with the residents and encourage them to nurture their skills. We'll do the following with them:

- 1- We'll modify the outlay of the place, and people will grow accustomed to the new, attractive outlay and begin to preserve it.
- 2- We'll construct a puppet theatre for kids and educate to them about the need of reforestation and environmental protection.
- 3- We will play with the kids and suggest drawing something that expresses oneself and makes them happy.
- 4- We will apprise the women about the significance of planting trees and how they can benefit from their daily waste.
- 5- We'll go around and talk to people about how to keep their neighbourhood clean.





-Source: Sonaa Elhayah association -Photo credit: El-Masry elyoum online newspaper

#### 2-Roof and cover!!

#### Since 2014

Winter is just getting started, and many people's homes have been damaged, and they don't have a roof over their heads, so we'll form a small team to help these people live a normal life and enjoy their winter without having to struggle, which is one of everyone's basic requirements. We'll start with some rural areas because they have fewer services till, we can reach more locations in Cairo. As a result, our constant goal is to enable people to live a decent life without having to struggle, as well as to instil in young people the idea of community participation in order to form a great team that will make a significant difference in the lives of those who live around them.





-Source: Sonaa Elhayah association -Photo credit: El-Masry elyoum online newspaper





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# 3-Green color - a seed of hope!!

#### Since 2019

Protecting the environment is our responsibility, which is why Life Makers Egypt has launched the "Colour it Green" campaign—a seed of hope—in 22 governorates to raise environmental awareness, recycle, and reduce plastic consumption through awareness campaigns for university students, institutes, and schools in order to provide a better future for our children. The "colour it green" programme aims to turn a number of villages into green villages by planting trees, painting walls, distributing garbage cans, and cleaning and beautifying the streets.

We will have several implications as a result of our campaign because we have both long and short-term goals. We will have people of various ages at this event, and they will work together to spread the green feeling in the areas where we will be working this time. We will educate these individuals about the importance of green living and how it affects our lives, while also developing young participants for a sustainable future.





-Source: Sonaa Elhayah association -Photo credit: Life makers association photographers

# 1-THE SUM-UP YOU CAN SEE HERE THE OVERALL PICTURE OF THE CURRENT COMMUNITIES THAT WE ARE LIVING NOWADAYS WITH SOME ANALYTICAL POINT OF VIEW TO KNOW HOW LITTLE CHANGES IN THE URBAN SCALE HAVE A HUGE CONSE QUENCES ON THE PEOPLE LIFE.

The objective of this thesis is to provide the information of the consanguinity between urban metamorphism and social life, it's very important to understand that any decision is going to be taken has a hug impact on people's social life, therefore the government needs to make the people involved in the decisions that are going to effect on their life style and how they are going to live in the community.

Furthermore, The community is not just a one direction relationship but it's two way relationship between the people's life style and the architecture urban scale with all the components of it such as street network, gathering spaces, gardens ..etc. so it is very important to understand more about the community before starting the change in the urban to not have side effects on the community as what happened in Heliopolis, Cairo-Egypt and on the other hand the changes in Barcelona, Spain how they started their changes from the surveying the community to be able to apply it.

All of these relations are the first priority to the countries because Cities have huge responsibilities and the ability to control some diseases by the design of their urban as it has a huge effect on people's lifestyle and their way of living, therefore when you design a city consider how their life would be affected by such design.

Consequently, they started to create another type of cities called livable city and to apply or achieve this type There are some points that you need to consider in designing and making the city livable 1-Community social life 2-Connect with nature 3-Independent mobility 4-Create a hospitable built environment. Therefore, Livable cities are not just created by buildings, it's mainly by creating zones and connections between the urban elements with the people to make them interact with the city becoming a Key to achieving a high quality of life for all in treating the public realm. The most essential task is to make it possible for people to come together, to form friendships and face-to-face social networks to make people feel more at home and involve more in the community in indirect ways. The public realm must include everyone—babies, toddlers, teens, youths, adults, and older people.

In addition, with this model of GDP, the city is seen as an economic engine that affects directly the standard of living, there are major flaws in the GDP system. Fifty years ago, Lyndon Johnson criticized unbridled growth, which he declared led to a soulless wealth. "He elucidated a new dream valuing the quality-of-life above quantity of stuff" (De Graaf, 2014). But some people do it in a vast way that will harm people as social isolation and depression are the cause of these vast changes in the community. In the end, if we want to make our cities healthy and livable for all, we must first make them healthy for the more vulnerable—children, elders, the disabled, and the poor. If our neighbourhoods, towns, and cities do not sustain them, they are not sustainable. A city built on these principles of true urbanism provides the ideal environment for children's physical, mental, and social development and generates communities that are healthy, ecologically sustainable, and socially sustainable for all.

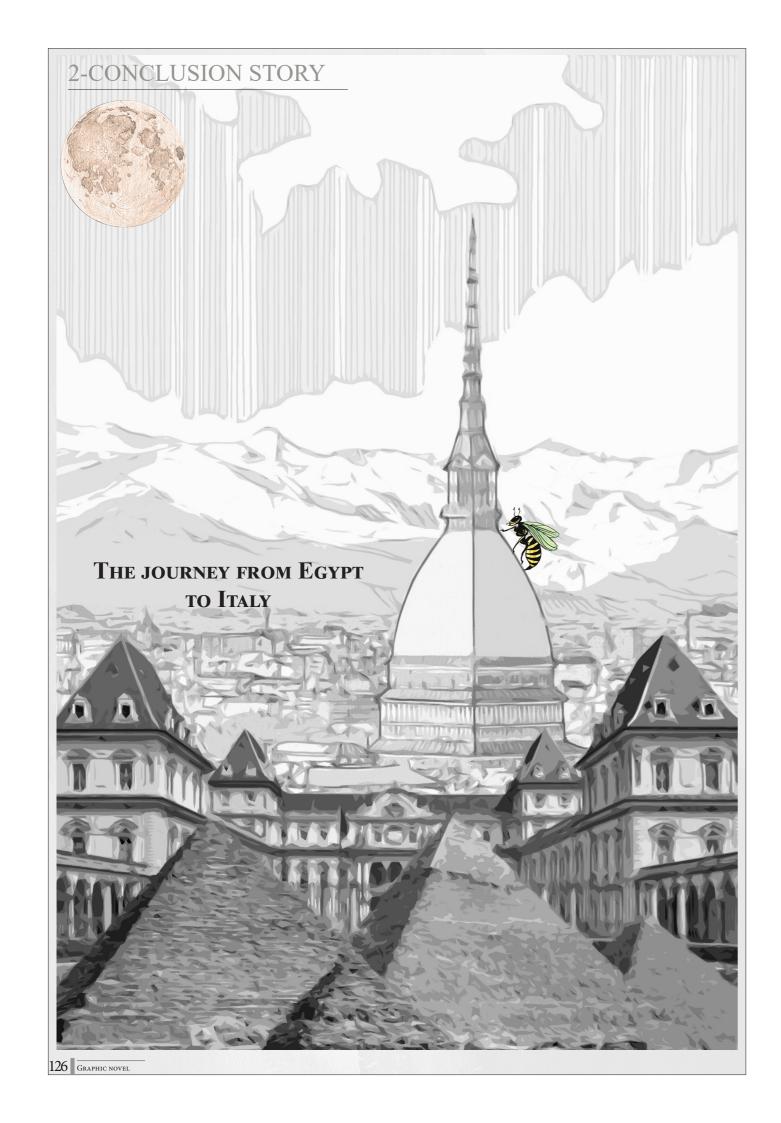
Cities are more than mere physical structures or modern settlement patterns. Cities are the places where we wake up, live, laugh, love, work, learn, and retire for the night. Such cities can be understood as a form of habitat and are, in fact, one of the most recent habitats on planet Earth. According to Nabhan (1997:3 cited in Steiner 2016: n/p.), a habitat is "...related to habit, inhabit, and habitable; it suggests a place worth dwelling in, one that has abiding qualities." However, in contrast to an animal or a plant habitat, the human habitat remains more or less undefined. So you need always to provide some characteristics for the city to make it for everyone such as; Safety and trust, active and healthy city, social capital, inner community, proximity design and diversity in the social activity.

In the same way, the wave of Complete Street and 15 minutes city started to be around because the 15 Minute City is a collection of concepts already familiar in the realm of urban planning, packaged under the overarching concept of high density, mixed-use, and walkable neighbourhoods. Concurrently, municipalities are looking to develop infrastructure that will support active modes of transportation that are better suited to shorter trips around one's neighbourhood This includes, in addition to bike infrastructure, the development of smaller, more self-sufficient neighbourhoods throughout the city. This is where the 15 Minute City enters the picture. This report intends to demonstrate the benefits of the 15 Minute City concept, as well as how the Complete Streets concept is an effective and necessary strategy for achieving the 15 Minutes City. Whereas the 15 Minute City strategy focuses on creating interesting places to visit, Complete Streets focuses on providing policy and design tools to ensure that the roads to get there are safe and comfortable. In essence, streets that are safe, inviting, and accessible for walking and cycling (the core concepts underlying Complete Streets) are required for the success of the concept of decentralized, diverse, and vibrant neighbourhoods that provide multiple needs to residents close to their homes.

Moreover, there are some consequences of applying the 15 minutes city in the community starting with future design governance which is able to improve effectively the quality of a place. In this idea, active transport plays a big part. Reducing the time spent on basic services by developing walking and cycling facilities has the potential to reduce car pollution and spare more time. Although walking and cycling time is generally understood to represent the 15 minutes in the 15-minute city, the core principles lack the detail to show how cities successfully can transition into attractive and safe areas for pedestrians and bike enthusiasts if they do not already do so. Starting with Infrastructure (Safety) which is a major benefit of the Complete Street infrastructure, then going to Infrastructure (neighborhood context) The development of spaces for pedestrians and cycling is crucial for the success of dense communities to foster walking abilities and integral micro-mobility.

If daily amenities are to be reached within 15 minutes by walk or bike from home, the right infrastructure must be available to facilitate those commutes. Thus, full road infrastructure supports the 15-minute cities vision, which must exist together for the two to succeed. Going to third point which is social life (density and diversity) Complete Streets, through these urban design policies, contribute to more opportunities to form networks and interactions that inspire trust and reciprocity, also known as social capital. Since Oldenburg's work in 1989, research has proven what he hypothesized: Walkable, mixed-use neighbourhoods generate more social capital than car-dependent neighbourhoods, with elements like the density of a neighbourhood and accessibility to a variety of social and recreational facilities influencing the quality of these interactions, simply put the more walkable neighbourhood the easier it is to casually bump into one's neighbour and engage in conversation Dense and mixed neighborhoods can have a positive impact on the sense of living and satisfaction of people. Economic activity is the consequences of 15 minutes city because the potential for improving a neighbourhood's livability, and thus the city's. They also have the potential to boost economic vitality both within and around a revitalized neighbourhood. Dario Hidalgo, the senior mobility researcher at the World Resource Institute's Ross Centre for Sustainable Cities, recently stated that increased walking and cycling have the potential to allow small businesses in a neighbourhood to thrive.

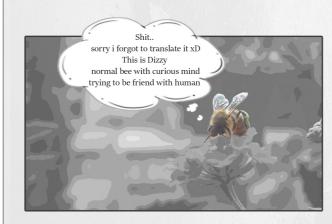
In Summary, Comprehensive plan is such a large process because it's not just a step. Besides, the cities need to follow some steps to make their decisions have good consequences on the social life, starting with the site analysis that will provide you with different information in different aspects and perspectives, starting with the site and city analysis that you will provide information about the opportunities and threats of the weather, contour, land uses, future vision, city's history, infrastructure and the centralization situation in the city. Going to the second step which is Making 'Influential citizen' which is how you are going to make your citizen more active in the community and be part of the decisions not just a passive member because communities always need active citizen, consultation and every-day fixer to make the community more developed. After getting all of these data from site analysis and prepare the community to be active member the city needs to start the comprehensive plan for different sectors such as; infrastructure and open spaces, circulations and safety, housing and noise, diversity and proximity, system and life plans and advocacy and collaborative plan. At the end you will touch different consequences on the community after applying all of these process for example; the community will have a trustable relation with the community with new social relations, the community will have equality between the government and the citizens and the citizens will have the initiative step for the maintenance and enhancing the community to reach the new town at the end with proper relationship between the government and the community with a healthy atmosphere.



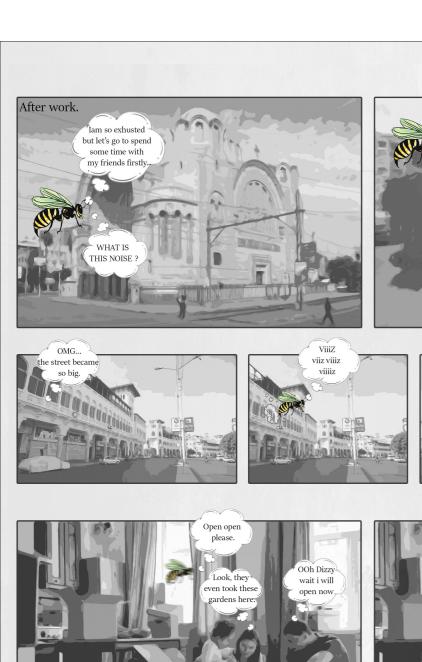














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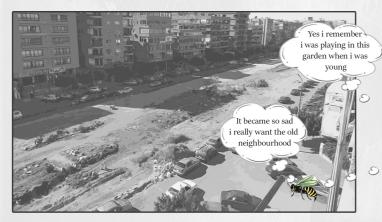
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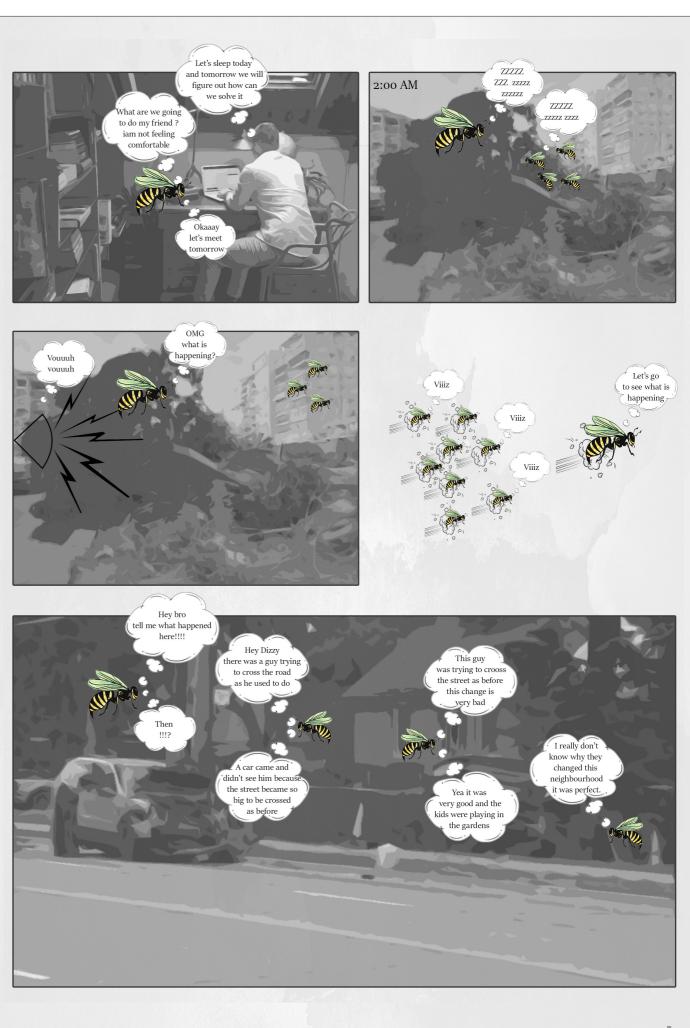
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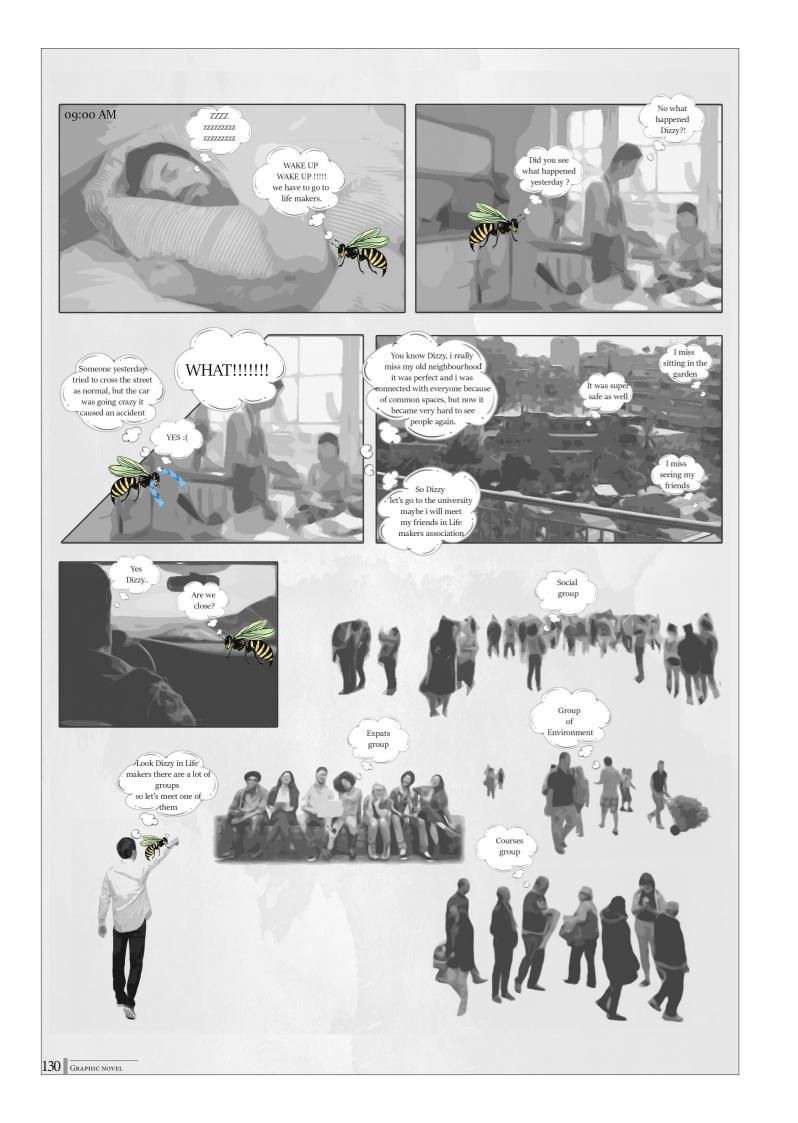
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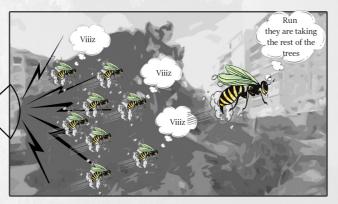






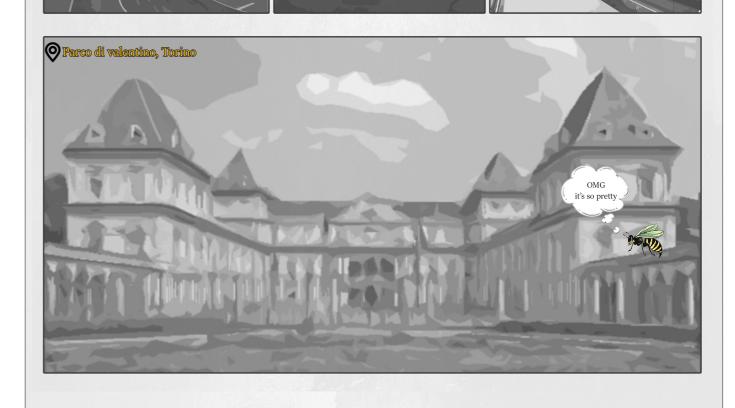




























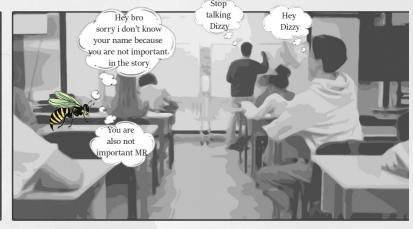




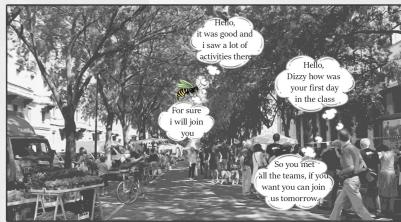






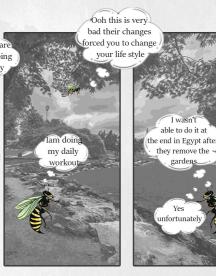
















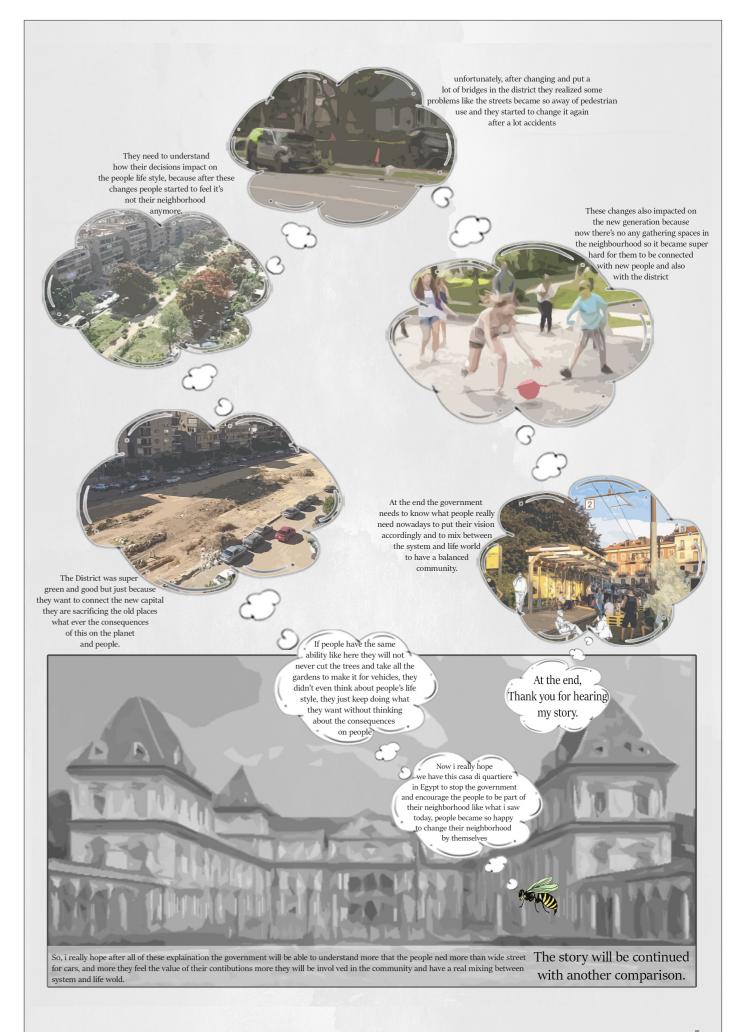












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