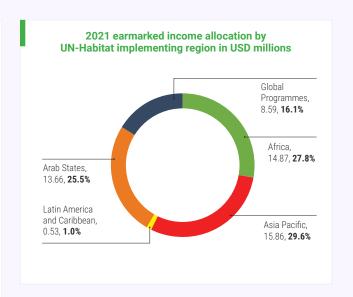
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#### Foundation Non earmarked – core funds in USD CONTRIBUTORS IN 2021 NEW CONTRIBUTORS 500,000 Mexico\* Egypt Mexico China 350.000 Egypt 50,000 COMEBACKS Rwanda Philippines\* 50,000 PLEDGES Japan 31,458 Germany Kenya Barbados 15,000 Portugal United States of America Mali 10,012 Algeria 10,000 Rwanda 10,000 Pakistan 5,992 **TOTAL** 1,032,462 \* Includes previous years' contributions

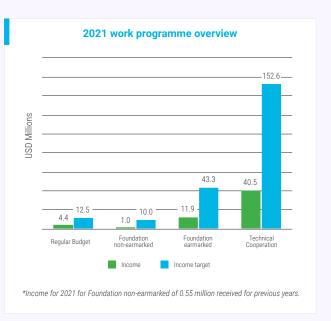


UN-Habitat is grateful for contributions received and appeals to Member States to provide **pending core contributions for 2021** 

#### 2021 income from donors by contributing region

United Nations Region	Core	Earmarked
Africa***	0.08M	7.3M
Asia Pacific	0.4M	25.2M
Latin America and the Caribbean	0.5M	-
Western Europe and Others Group	-	7.4M
Global (Including UN Agencies)	-	12.6M
***Contributions from Arab States such as, Algeria a	nd Egypt are reflect	ted under Africa.

Cash contributions of **USD 46.9 million** received for existing grants.



Japan	20.49
Ethiopia	7.26
UN Agencies	5.66
The Adaptation Fund	5.08
Switzerland	3.45
Saudi Arabia	2.00
China	1.90
Spain	1.58
Bill & & Melinda Gates Foundation	1.33
Denmark	1.23
Alwaleed Philanthropies	.50
Poland	.50
Microsoft Corporation	.40
Here Be Dragons Investments Group	.31
Institute for Transportation and Development Policy	.28
Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors	.17
Korea East-West Power Company Ltd	.17

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### **Grants in 2021 for Earmarked Activities**

Donor / Development Partner	<b>Donor Category</b>	Project Title	UN-Habitat Implementation Region	Amount in USD
Africa				7,260,615
Ethiopia - Ministry of Urban Development	Government	Preparation of Regional development spatial plans for ten	Africa	7,260,615
Construction  Asia-Pacific		Regional States of Eithiopia		25,154,344
China	Government	Global Sustainabe Development Award for Cities	Global	800,000
China	Government	High-level International Forum on Sustainable Urban Development	Global	369,441
China	Government	Junior Professional Officers	Global	727,064
India	Government	Indian Housing Project in Sri Lanka	Asia Pacific	43,897
lanan	Covernment	Building resilience against Covid-19 through WASH and waste management	Asia Pacific	7,272,727
Japan 	Government	support in urban informal settlement  Ensuring accessibility and a strengthened conflict-resolution strategy for	ASId Facilic	1,212,121
Japan	Government	refugee-host community intergration	Africa	1,481,263
Japan	Government	Emergency Response to the Immediate Shelter and WASH Needs for IDPs in Displaced Areas and Conflict Affected Neighborhoods within Al-Hudaydah Governorate-Yemen	Arab States	1,474,645
Japan	Government	Enhancement of technical cooperation on sustainable urban development in Asia and the Pacific phase IV	Asia Pacific	47,187
Japan	Government	Support for Reconstruction and Peacebuilding of Liberated Cities in Iraq-Phase II	Arab States	3,500,000
Japan	Government	Emergency technical support to Solid Waste Management (SWM) in Hawassa, Ethiopia	Africa	750,000
Japan	Government	Emergency Support for Safer Hospitals and Settlements in Iran	Asia Pacific	1,851,463
Japan	Government	Support for the reconstruction and rehabilitation of most vulnerable urban areas in Beirut impacted by the port explosion	Arab States	2,160,000
Japan	Government	Emergency support to IDP returns in Eid Elfursan locality, South Dafur State	Arab States	808,472
Japan	Government	Improving Safe Access to Education Facilities in Syrian Cities	Arab States	977,000
Japan	Government	Survey on Transport, SWM and Slum Living Condition in Kenya and Uganda	Global	167,450
Saudi Development and Reconstruction	Government	Restoration of 600 Low-income Housing Units-Aden Governorate-Saudi Fund	Arab States	2,000,000
Korea East-West Power Company Ltd	Private Sector	Capacity building on Green House Gas emission reduction and environment-	Asia Pacific	173,736
		friendly applications	Arab States	
Alwaleed Philanthropies  Tongji University	Civil Society  Civil Society	Restoration of 600 Low-income Housing Units-Aden Governorate-Saudi Fund  Initiative on Municipal water supply challenges in the context of climate change	Asia Pacific	500,000
Eastern European	CIVII SOCIETY	illitative on Municipal water supply chancinges in the context of chinate change	Asia Facilic	500,000
Poland	Government	11th session of the World Urban Forum in Katowice, Poland, 2022	Europe	500,000
Western European and Others Group	COVETIMENT	This decision of the World Ordan Forum in Nationice, Forum, 2022	Ешорс	6,914,598
	_	The Covenant of Mayor for South-Saharan Africa-Phase III project in Maputo		
Agencia Espanola de Cooperacion	Government	Metropolitan area in Mozambique	Africa	1,579,903
Denmark - Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Government	Sustainable Human Settlements in Urban Areas to Support Reintergration in Afghanistan	Asia Pacific	1,234,568
European Commission	Government	Future on-/off-road transport and mobility research, cross-border cooperation strategies, realization actions and procurement processes - "FUTURE HORIZON"	Global	42,351
Israel	Government	Support country preparation for WUF11	Global	16,142
Italy	Government	Junior Professional Officer	Global	3,147
Switzerland - State Secretariat for Economic Affairs	Government	Urban Planning and Infrastructure in Migration Contexts	Global	3,446,430
Here Be Dragons - Investment	Private Sector	Improving living conditions of Roca Sundy through sustainable resettlement	Africa	310,633
Institute for Transportation and Development Policy	Civil Society	Growing Smarter: Sustainable Mobility in East Africa.	Global	281,424
Global				12,647,604
The Adaptation Fund Board	Inter-Governmental Organization	Increasing Resilience of the Education System to Climate Change Impacts in East Caribbean	"Latin America and the Caribbean"	80,000
The Adaptation Fund Board	Inter-Governmental Organization		Asia Pacific	5,000,000
Microsoft Corporation	Private Sector	Planning for a better quality of life for communities - Discovery Phase	Global	400,000
FAO	UN Agencies	Developing National Land Information Management System in Vihiga and Laikipia	Africa	100,000
UNDAP	UN Agencies	UN Joint Programme for the region of Kigoma 2017 – 2021	Africa	379,089
UNDP	UN Agencies	Programme d'appui a la reforme fonciere elaboration du document de la politique		1,999,490
UNDP	UN Agencies	fonciere de la Republique Eemoratique du Congo  Climate change vulnerability assesment and guidelines for community-based	Asia Pacific	59,653
		sustainable environment management		
UNDP	UN Agencies	Fostering Partnerships - Addressing Socioeconomic Response to Covid-19	Africa	139,882
UNDP	UN Agencies	Fresh water and waste water management in southern Cambodia	Asia Pacific	62,060
UNDP	UN Agencies	Socio-economic Empowerment of Women in Ghor Al-Safi	Arab States	320,260
UNDP	UN Agencies	Sustainable Development Goals Monitoring Platform	Arab States	429,250
UNICEF	UN Agencies	Capacity Building on Schools with "build back better" approach in cyclone-affect- ed areas	Africa	300,000
UNICEF	UN Agencies	Rubble to Mountains: Responding to the Beirut Port explosion	Arab States	350,000
UNESCO	UN Agencies	Mobilizing Youth Participation and Cultural Dynamics for Ha Noi Creative City	Asia Pacific	110,000
UNOCHA	UN Agencies	Provision of emergency WASH services for hard reach locations and IDP sites in Ad Durayhimi district	Arab States	551,764
UNOPS	UN Agencies	Urban Qualification in a Key Neighbourhood of Belo Horizonte	Latin America and the Caribbean	451,089
UN-Women	UN Agencies	Fostering the socio-economic recovery of IDP- Women and Girls- in Cabo Delgado	Africa	400,000
WHO-European Centre for Environment and Health	UN Agencies	Review of applicability and relevance international indicators and monitoring systems at city level in relations to crises and disasters	Global	7,500
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation	Civil Society	Scaling Citywide Inclusive Sanitation Sytems	Global	1,333,568
Rockefeller Philanthropy Advisors	Civil Society	Support rapid Covid-19 response to address the needs of migrants, refugees, in Beirut	Arab States	174,000
GRAND TOTAL				52,477,161

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#### Strengthening resilience against natural disasters for urban communities in **Afghanistan**



Construction of flood canal by community members in Kabul. © UN-Habitat Afghanistan

"We knew our main school building was vulnerable to earthquakes and the canal next to the school was the source of illnesses for the children and the staff.... Our children can now study at school well and safe." a community leader speaking about the Amir Dost Mohammed Khan School in Kabul.

Afghanistan's cities and towns are extremely vulnerable to disasters such as floods, landslides and drought which have become worse due to climate change. Without proper drainage and flood canals, many urban residents suffer from flash floods every year. The north and north-east region, on the fringe of Pamir and Himalayan ranges, is particularly prone to earthquakes where even small to moderate earthquakes can result in extensive damage to houses because there is a lack of building standards, proper building techniques and appropriate skills. Rehabilitation and reconstruction after disasters is further undermined by the prolonged conflict in the country.

To respond to these problems, the City Resilience project (2017-2019) was undertaken, with support of USD 3.3 million from the government of Japan, to strengthen the resilience of urban communities against disasters in the capital Kabul and the third largest city of Mazar-i-Sharif in the north. It took an inclusive approach, consulting widely with urban communities to assess possible hazards and risks, and identify actions to address vulnerabilities.

As a result, communities were able to construct 4.5 km of flood canals in Kabul and 3.2 km in Mazar-i-Sharif, which increased the resilience of around 100 vulnerable houses against earthquakes in those cities. Meanwhile, five Safe-School programmes succeeded in rebuilding vulnerable school buildings and carried out risk reduction classes and school disaster drills which included first aid training for teachers and community members. Thanks to the project, the direct beneficiaries, some 48,000 vulnerable citizens in the two cities, are now free from the floods during the rainy season, and their houses and schools will be safe from future earthquakes.

For sustainability, UN-Habitat supported the Government in drafting its National Disaster Risk Reduction Strategy and provided training to government staff working with United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction.

#### Property registration drive in Somalia to increase local government revenues for better services



Women listen in during the closing event that marked the end of the property registration exercise in Baidoa. © UN-Habitat

"The property registration, using Geographic Information System will not only ease and increase property tax collections but will also enhance transparency and accountability in the revenue collection process," said Ali Abdi Adem, the Director General at Baidoa's Ministry of Finance of South-West State.

In Somalia, several states want to increase domestic revenue sources to add to insufficient budgets for delivering better services. Local people have expressed their willingness to pay taxes and for municipal authorities to invest in social services to foster collaboration between public authorities and local communities.

In Baidoa district in South-West State, more than 21,400 properties were mapped and registered through a project of the UN-Habitat Joint Programme on Local Governance working with government partners and other stakeholders. The registration of properties, concluded in February 2021, involved establishing sub-zones boundaries, updating district administrative maps, classifying and naming of roads, and installation of road signs. These actions are expected to generate an estimated USD \$500,000 per year in untapped revenue streams in Baidoa.

The property registration in Baidoa comes alongside two other initiatives aimed at supporting local and state authorities to tackle displacement in Somalia's South-West State. More than 55,000 households of displaced communities in 483 sites around the former agricultural center of Baidoa were counted in 2020. Under the UN Peacebuilding Fund supported Midnimo (Unity) project, implemented by UN-habitat and the International Organization for Migration (IOM), a 3.3km trail was upgraded to an access road connecting the urban centre of Baidoa with the new Barwaago IDP resettlement site that provides secure tenure for over 2,000 households already. The new road also allows access to a planned city extension area for more than 50,000 inhabitants.

UN-Habitat together with IOM, UNDP and the Resident Coordinator's Office have developed an upscaling project for durable solutions using UN-Habitat's Social Tenure Security Model and targeting over 25,000 IDPs and host community members directly. With support from the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida), detailed area planning has started for an urban regeneration project in Baidoa's second largest cluster of IDP sites. The project aims to foster local reintegration and social cohesion with hosting communities by engaging strongly with youth and other local action groups.

### **Urban October Report 2020**



UN-Habitat has just published its comprehensive **report** on Urban October 2020 which saw a record breaking 753 events in 74 countries and 230 cities registered on the UN-Habitat website covering all aspects of Sustainable Urbanization. This included 540 events in the Americas, 75 in Europe, 62 in Africa, 54 in Asia and 5 in Oceania. World Habitat Day, which took place on 5 October 2020 with the theme *Housing for All: A Better Urban Future* featured 69 events in 42 countries and 59 cities with the Global Observance in Surabaya, Indonesia. World Cities Day (WCD) was on 31 October under the sub theme *Valuing our communities and cities* with 77 events in 39 countries and 70 cities. The first Global Observance of World Cities Day in Africa was hosted by Nakuru in Kenya.

#### **RECENT PUBLICATIONS**

Sustainable Urbanization for Sustaining Peace

Regional Office for Africa: Annual Report 2020

Toolkit: How to Read and Use the Lebanon Neighbourhood Profiles

The territorial dimension of displacement in northern Mozambique

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

4	4-7 JULY	<b>43rd International Association for Energy Economics - Paris 2020 International Conference</b> Paris, France
	6-15 JULY	The High-level Political Forum New York
<b>(1)</b>	26-30 JULY	World Renewable Energy Congress 2021 Lisbon, Portugal
	15-30 SEPT	UN General Assembly Meeting (UNGA 76) New York
<u></u>	30 SEPT - 2 OCT	Pre-COP 26 Summit Milan, Italy







