### Urban Agenda Platform

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# **Cities without Hunger – community gardens**

| Region                        | Latin America and the Caribbean                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| Award Scheme                  | World Habitat Awards                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Themes                        | Environmental Resilience<br>Resilience & Risk Reduction<br>Social Inclusion<br>Youth & Livelihoods                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Sustainable Development Goals | Goal 2 - End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture<br>Goal 3 - Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages<br>Goal 11 - Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable |
| New Urban Agenda Commitments  | Sustainable Urban Development for Social Inclusion and Ending Poverty<br>Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Prosperity and Opportunities for All                                                                                                                               |

## Summary

The project's objective is to implement a farming nucleus and satellite agricultural sites to generate urban jobs and skill-building.

# **Background and Objective**

Malnutrition is one of the most immediate problem that Sao Paulo has to face. The Cities without Hunger-community gardens project seeks to connect the production of food in disadvantaged communities with high population density to ameliorate the situation. The responsible organisation tries to empower communities to improve the social, environmental, and economic issues affecting them. The project aims to implement a farming nucleus and satellite agricultural sites in order to generate urban job opportunities, skill-building for participants and their dependents, systematic income generation from selling the produce and value-added processed goods, and social integration between communities and their environments. These objectives are to be achieved using a participatory process. The main steps and instruments are to search, clean, and use abandoned sites as gardens. Inhabitants work in the fields to produce vegetables to donate to poor families, and sell at markets. The project not only fights malnutrition, but also creates jobs and income for workers in the gardens. Measurable results include: improved nutrition and job creation. Many cities around the world face malnutrition problems. Cities without Hunger offers a smart pattern to transfer community gardens. The project won the UN HABITAT Award 2010.

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