



Urban Agenda Platform

Mobilising Kenyan cities and urban areas to support and promote inclusive actions and policies that address inequalities and barriers faced by older persons and persons with disabilities

Contribution from members of GAP (General Assembly of Partners) to the New Urban Agenda

Name of Organization

MANGU INTEGRATED COMMUNITY PROJECT – MICOP CBO Kenya, Lead Secretariat for the Older Persons' Rights and Advocacy Network – Kenya

Organization Type

Community Based Organization. Older Persons' Rights Defenders

INITIATIVE LOCATION

Kenya

IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD

Start Year: 2022, Completion Year: 2024 (Planned)

KEY PARTNER INFORMATION

Type of partnership: technical The Government of Kenya HelpAge International

Older Persons' Rights and Advocacy Network CSOs

Kenya Boda Boda – Motorbike Riders

BENEFICIARY LOCATION

Kenya

THEME DETAILS

Gender

Housing

Human Rights

Innovation

Safety

Disability

Regional & Metropolitan Planning

Mobility
Planning & Design
Public Space
Resilience & Risk Reduction
Older persons

Description of Contribution

MICOP CBO Kenya applauds the efforts of the Kenya Government to operationalize the process the New Urban Agenda by the enactment of the Kenya Urban Areas and Cities Act No 13 of 2011, the launch of the Kenya's Popular Version of The New Urban Agenda through the State Department of Housing and Urban Development and Ministry of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing and Urban Development (2017) and also the development of the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP). A good example is the improvement of Ruiru Township mobility facilities and the installation of age and disability friendly foot bridges along major roads. In doing so, the government has indeed expressed commitment that 'no one will be left behind' in the economic and social prosperity of the country.

Challenges:

- Use of walkways and foot bridges as hawking spaces and motorbike lanes.
- Lack of awareness and empowerment among the facilities users.
- Laxity among law enforcement entities and personnel.
- Lack of funding to implement the project.

Our project aims to stimulate engagement and dialogues for older persons, persons with disability, facility users (especially motorcycle riders and hawkers) and the urban areas planning teams for a clear plan of action on inclusion of older persons and persons with disability in the deliberations of the new urban agenda and to ensure safe usage of foot bridges and walkways

Planned outcomes and impacts

- Older persons and Persons with disability will be empowered and their skills and abilities to use urban areas and cities services strengthened
- Spatial inclusion for dialogue, promotion and protection of human rights and antidiscrimination will be enhanced, to ensure their effective participation in urban areas and cities development decision-making for all.
- Enhanced functional ability for older persons and persons with disability
- Reduced cases of accidents and injuries for all mobility facilities users.

- Intergenerational gap will be reduced due to community conversations among the youth, older people and persons with disabilities.
- Increased access for the older persons and Persons with disabilities on an equal basis with others, to the physical environment, including to public spaces, public transport, housing, education and health facilities, public information and communication.
- Increased safety and mobility among vulnerable groups in urban areas and cities.

New Urban Agenda Items

Sustainable Urban Development for Social Inclusion and Ending Poverty
Sustainable and Inclusive Urban Prosperity and Opportunities for All
Environmentally Sustainable and Resilient Urban Development
Building urban governance structures to establish a supportive framework
Planning and Managing Urban Spatial Development
Mobilization of Financial Resources
Capacity Development

Sustainable Development Goals:

Goal 3 - Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

Goal 9 - Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

Goal 11 - Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable