



## Urban Agenda Platform

### The scorecard on the state of human rights for older persons and persons with disability in Kenya

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#### 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, Africa

##### IMPLEMENTATION PERIOD

2020-2022 (Implemented)

##### KEY PARTNER INFORMATION

Kenya Stakeholders Coalition on UPR, the Government of Kenya

##### BENEFICIARY LOCATION

Kenya, Africa

##### THEME DETAILS

Climate Change

Energy

Gender

Housing

Human Rights

Innovation

Land

Legislation

Safety  
Slum Upgrading  
Disability  
Regional & Metropolitan Planning  
Local Economic Development  
Mobility  
Planning & Design  
Public Space  
Resilience & Risk Reduction  
Water & Sanitation  
Older persons

#### **Description of Contribution**

Article 43 of the Constitution of Kenya (2010) obligates the state and all institutions to ensure that every person's rights are safeguarded (Government of Kenya, 2010). The Government of Kenya commits to promote age- and gender-responsive planning and investment for sustainable, safe, and accessible urban mobility for all, effectively linking people, places, goods, services, and economic opportunities. Kenya also commits to leave no one behind, by ensuring equal rights and opportunities, public participation and equal access for all to physical and social infrastructure and basic services as well as adequate and affordable housing (Kenya's popular version of the new urban agenda 2017).

Towards achieving these commitments, a number of legal and policy instruments have been put in place by the state but some remain dormant and need operationalizing.

Noting the existing barriers and gaps which hinder the older persons and persons with disability from being included in the new urban agenda and SDGs, MICOP CBO joined other human rights defenders in the Universal Periodic Review Process to get to the fore the rights of older persons in Kenya.

#### **Outcomes and impacts**

- The issues of the rights of older persons have for first time been included in the Universal Periodic Review and forwarded to the UN HRC General Assembly.
- Older persons and Ageing recognized as a standalone thematic group.
- Recommendations forwarded to the Government of Kenya by various UN member States and accepted.
- First scorecard and compendium on the state of human rights developed and handed in to the relevant Government departments for action.

#### **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**  
**Information Technology and Innovation**

**Sustainable Development Goals:**

- Goal 1 - End poverty in all its forms everywhere**
- Goal 2 - End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture**
- Goal 3 - Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages**
- Goal 4 - Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all**
- Goal 5 - Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls**
- Goal 6 - Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all**
- Goal 7 - Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all**
- Goal 8 - Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all**
- 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**
- Goal 13 - Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts**
- Goal 16 - Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels**