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# Urgent Call for Signatories: Health for 55% of the world's population

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Together with other civil society organisations, NCD Alliance has developed recommendations for health in the New Urban Agenda, which is to be adopted at Habitat III in Quito, Ecuador this October.

Over half the world's population now lives in urban areas, with increasing urbanisation being associated with exposure to air pollution, poor nutrition, and physical inactivity, as well as other health risks.

The New Urban Agenda will define priorities for sustainable urbanisation over the next two decades, and presents an opportunity to ensure that health priorities are integrated into city planning.

By 2050, 66% of the world's population will live in urban areas. Currently, there is a great need for increased focus on health in the document.

The recommendations outline proposed text for inclusion in the <u>Draft New Urban Agenda</u> [1], together with annexed interventions and evidence to improve urban public health. The recommendations are being circulated to the Habitat III co-facilitators, and New York and Geneva Missions.

Please sign on [2] to the recommendations letter [3] and disseminate among your networks.

### To date the following organisations have signed on:

- 1. Aliança de Controle do Tabagismo, Brazil [4]
- 2. Alzheimer's Disease International [5]
- 3. American Heart Association [6]
- 4. C3 Collaborating for Health [7]
- 5. Cancer Aid Society, India [8]
- 6. Danish NCD Alliance [9]

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- 7. Deutsche Allianz Nichtübertragbare Krankheiten DANK [10]
- 9. European Public Health Alliance [11]
- 10. Evangelical Social Action Forum, India [12]
- 11. Forum of International Respiratory Societies [13]
- 12. Friends of Cancer Patients, UAE [14]
- 13. Fondacija Zdravljei srce (Foundation of Heart and Health), Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 14. Fundación Mídete, Mexico
- 15. Global Climate and Health Alliance [15]
- 16. Health and Environment Alliance [16]
- 17. HealthBridge Foundation of Canada [17]
- 18. Healthy Caribbean Coalition [18]
- 19. Innovative Canadians for Change (ICChange) [19]
- 20. International Alliance of Women [20]
- 21. International Diabetes Federation [21]
- 22. International Society for Physical Activity and Health [22]
- 23. International Society of Urban Health [23]
- 24. Institute of Alcohol Studies (UK) [24]
- 25. IOGT International [25]
- 26. ISGlobal [26] (formerly ISGlobal and CREAL)
- 27. Kreftforiningen (Norwegian Cancer Society) [27]
- 28. La Ciudad Verde [28]
- 29. Low Carbon City Forum [29]
- 30. National Centre of Disease Control, Libya [30]
- 31. NCD Alliance (Global) [31]
- 32. NCD Alliance Malawi
- 33. NCDFREE [32]
- 34. New York Academy of Medicine [33]
- 35. Pacific Health and Development Sciences, Inc.
- 36. Participatory Sanitation Development Initiative (PASDI)
- 37. Peaceful Roads, Niger
- 38. Plan UK [34]
- 39. Smarter than Car [35]
- 40. Spanish Heart Foundation [36]
- 41. UK Health Alliance on Climate Change [37]
- 42. Union for International Cancer Control [38]
- 43. Universities for Health e.V., Germany [39]
- 44. Walk21 [40]
- 45. Women Coalition Against Cancer in Malawi WOCACA
- 46. World Cancer Research Fund International [41]
- 47. World Heart Federation [42]
- 48. Vital Strategies [43]

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- [3] https://ncdalliance.org/sites/default/files/resource\_files/Letter%20to%20Habitat%20III%20Co-

Facilitators Health%20in%20the%20New%20Urban%20Agenda.pdf

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