UN SAFE CITIES GLOBAL INITIATIVE – AT A GLANCE: 10 CORE ELEMENTS

UN Women Global Programme "Safe Cities Free of Violence Against Women & Girls"
2010-2017 - The Programme is being designed and implemented in 5 pilot cities: Quito (Ecuador), New Delhi (India), Kigali (Rwanda), Port Moresby (Papua New Guinea) and Cairo (Egypt).
2017 - Impact Evaluation in the five pilot cities
Global comparative effort to develop and evaluate tools, policies and model approaches on prevention of and response to violence against women & girls across different settings. Forms part of comprehensive programming to achieve gender equality and women's empowerment (GEWE) through transformative change.

Major contributions - 1) Sustained focus on rigorous evaluability of processes and results, development of tools for evidence-based/ integrated programming, and elaboration of the cross-regional impact level results and indicators which can be applied in the scale up of the Initiative in other cities; 2) strong local ownership; and 3) sustainability.

3 Expected impact level results in sites of intervention:
1. Reduction of sexual harassment and violence
2. Reduction of fear
3. Increased autonomous mobility and comfort by women and girls in accessing and using public spaces

10 Core Elements of the Integrated Safe Cities Programming
1) Adherence to human rights and women’s rights approaches focused on the most disadvantaged and impoverished populations
2) Rigorous evidence-based programming and focus on impact evaluation
3) Multi-sectoral, multi-level and multi-stakeholders programming framework
4) Promoting sustainable city-led and owned programming
5) Collection of high quality data, based on strong ethical standards, inclusive of participatory methods and engagement of research partners
6) Building strong local partnerships, through engagement of local governments and communities with leading role of women’s grassroots as agents of change, youth, men and boys
7) Systematic capacity strengthening of duty bearers and rights holders
8) National, regional and cross-regional knowledge sharing
9) Policy-oriented advocacy at all strategic levels
10) Integrated prevention, protection, response and access to justice

Building to Scale the Safe Cities Global Initiative
2017: Indicative Output: 35 cities Working with Additional Cities in Developing Countries
2011-2016 the Safe Cities Initiative in partnership with UN Habitat and UNICEF includes 8 new pilot cities: Greater Beirut (Lebanon), Dushanbe (Tajikistan), Metro Manila (Philippines), Marrakesh (Morocco), Nairobi (Kenya), Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), San José (Costa Rica) and Tegucigalpa (Honduras), through a Joint Programme "Safe and Sustainable Cities for All"
2015: Inventory and consolidation of about 10 other existing UN Women safe city projects which are not a part of the Global Initiative

2014-2017 Additional 20 cities from developing and developed countries will adopt global tools and work within the evidence-based integrated framework of the Global Initiative Cape Town (South Africa), Rabat (Morocco)

Working with Cities in Developed Countries:
2013 - Dublin (Ireland), Winnipeg (Canada) and Sakai (Japan) have joined the Initiative.