

In pursuit of the SDGs, MGA advocates:

A rights-based approach,
through justice and development
for all People and the Earth



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To Achieve Goal 11 MGA will:

Support and work in partnership with NGOs working to address the issue of homelessness.

Network extensively, welcome and support refugees and migrants. .

Advocate for improved living conditions for all vulnerable communities.

Address the root causes that result in a person being homeless.

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“Cities can be the engine of social equity and economic opportunity.That is why it is so important that we work together to build sustainable cities”. Ban Ki-moon.



MGA is committed to:

Work to implement the SDGs, to ensure no-one is left behind’.

Model a rights-based and person-centred approach, in all Mercy ministries.

MGA will continue to:

Work with marginalised communities deprived of basic facilities such as water, sanitation and sufficient living space.

Lobby authorities to ensure marginalized communities are represented in all areas of city planning.

Resources: www.mercyworld.org www.unesco.org,
www.citylab.com/equity/2017/07/solving-the-global-housing-crisis/533592/ <https://un.org/sdgs>

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

GOAL 11

Make Cities Inclusive, Safe, Resilient and Sustainable



Vancouver, Canada – a Sustainable City

"Surely, we have a responsibility to leave for future generations a planet that is healthy and habitable for all species “ . Sir David Attenborough

WHAT ARE THE SDGS?

The UN 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), came into force 1st January 2016, to run through to 2030. The SDGs address inequality, poverty, sustainable development, protection of ecosystems and climate change.

MIA Global Action (MGA) is producing a series of pamphlets to encourage members, to monitor the implementation and progress of the SDGs in their countries.



SDG 11 is the focus of this leaflet. Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

Goal 11 focuses on cities in three critical areas:

First, ensuring the marginalized are included and protected.

Second, ensuring people have equal access to basic infrastructure and services. This means water, sanitation, utilities and transportation.

Third, overcoming the negative environmental aspects of modern cities, such as waste, air pollution and poor infrastructure..

GLOBAL FACTS

The world is projected to have 43 megacities mostly in developing regions by 2030.

In 2018 the urban population of the world increased to 4.2 billion.

Globally 900 million people live in slums. It is estimated this will rise to 1.6 billion by 2025.

Droughts, floods, hurricanes and other disasters displaced over 24 million people in 2016.

Worldwide there are 66 million displaced people; 22.5 of whom are refugees.

Goal 11 is the charter encouraging local and national authorities to make investments in urban sustainability. This must include clean water, sanitation affordable and accessible public transport for everyone....

By 2050, 70% of global population will live in cities. 60% of new urban settlements are yet to be built, representing a huge opportunity for building resilient cities.



COLLECTIVE ACTION

Advocate at every level for policy changes in provision of:

- housing
- clean water and sanitation
- education / employment opportunities

Volunteer with charities working to find accommodation for the homeless.

PERSONAL ACTION

Reduce personal and household waste. Limit car usage and take public transport.

Support individuals struggling to find a home and to live a life that is their right.

Reach out and welcome the stranger



www.sdgdata.org