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driven processes are unfounded; Nongovernmental organizations, governments, and international agencies can support organizations representing the urban poor; Conclusion; Chapter 3 Reaching the target through improved governance

Countries around the world are adopting good urban governance practices People have the "right to the city"; Planning for development can prevent slums from developing; Local strategies for improving slum dwellers' lives can address all the Goals; Chapter 4 Supporting and enacting local pro-poor policies; Land regulation and transparency in private land transactions are critical to ensuring secure tenure; Cities can provide adequate, affordable infrastructure and services to the poor; Community contracts are a good way to involve slum dwellers in improvement projects and raise their income

Improving public transportation can expand options for the urban poor Health services need to reach poor urban dwellers; Building codes and regulations need to meet the needs of the urban poor; Policy makers need to provide alternatives to prevent new slums from forming; Cities need to create regulatory and policy environments that encourage private sector participation; Organizations and community groups need to be empowered to participate meaningfully in planning; Chapter 5 Mobilizing resources and investments; Most of the funding for improved housing will come from local sources

Land needs to be made available to the urban poor Professionals and civil servants need to be trained to improve the lives of slum dwellers; Chapter 6 Empowering local action; Networks of people committed to improving the lives of slum dwellers need to be developed and strengthened; International initiatives for local poverty reduction strategies are needed; Creating a worldwide partnership of "Millennium Cities" could advance the urban agenda; Chapter 7 Monitoring progress toward target 11; UN-HABITAT is responsible for monitoring progress

The Monitoring of Urban Inequities Program was created to provide institutional infrastructure for monitoring progress

Sommario/riassunto

More than 900 million people currently live in urban slums and the number is growing as rapid urbanization continues in the developing world. A Home in the City urges countries to strengthen their focus on the growing urban crisis and improving the lives of slum dwellers. Proposed are specific investments and policy changes required at local and national levels to create a vibrant, equitable and productive urban environment. It underscores the need for close strategic partnerships between local authorities and organizations of the urban poor for slum upgrading and improved urban management. Fr
