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SHAPING CHILD-FRIENDLY CITIES

Children and Cities

Children are often invisible when creating city-wide policies that impact transportation, air and noise pollution, and health and well-being. Urban areas offer great potential to secure children's rights and accelerate progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The SDGs are directly linked to the overall development of children and adolescents, and achievement of these goals would be a positive move towards implementation of the 'New Urban Agenda' leaving no one behind in the process of development. Progress in urban areas will be key to achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Three urbanization issues require response for better planning, financing and governance for children, in accordance with the 17 goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development:

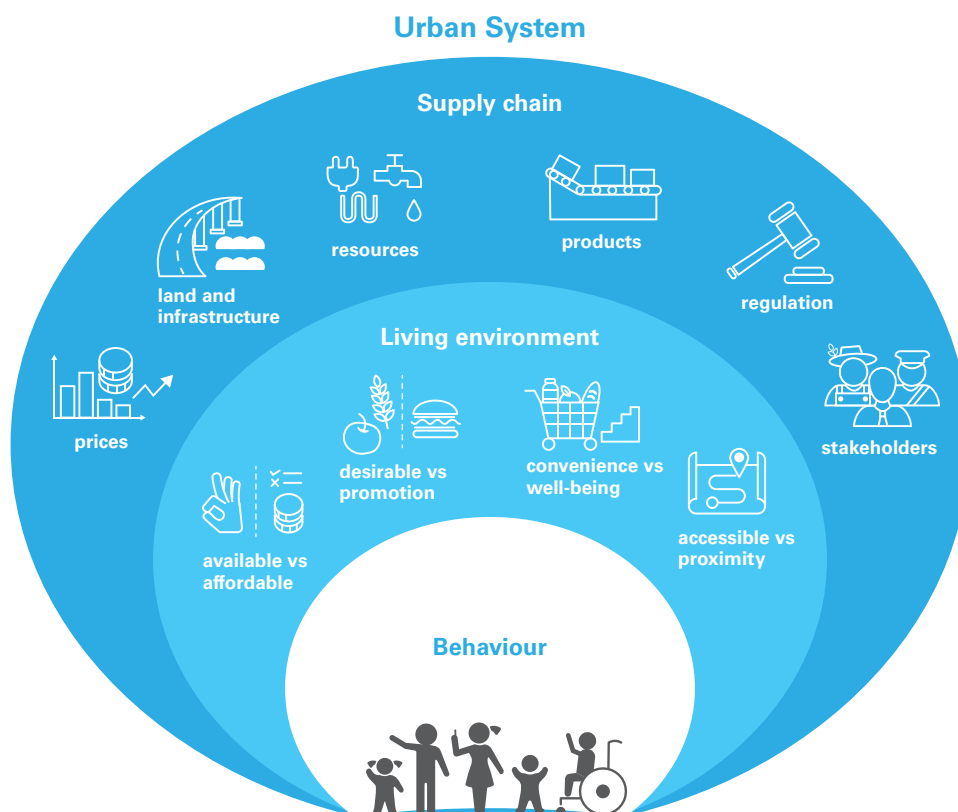**Equity** as a priority for **sustainable urban development;**

Local capacities to deliver **global goals;**

Integration of the built environment in **development programmes.**

Urban Systems Influence Children's Behaviours

A well-planned city plays a critical role in shaping the growth of a child. There are a range of entry points for children to interact with urban resource systems such as transportation, nature, water and sanitation, food, energy and data. These urban systems function within the larger scale of the city and city-region, spread out in the urban-rural continuum, and have direct influence on children's behaviours.

Urban System

Supply chain

resources

products

land and infrastructure

regulation

Living environment

prices

desirable vs promotion

convenience vs well-being

stakeholders

available vs affordable

accessible vs proximity

Behaviour

Source : *Shaping urbanization for children - A handbook on child-responsive urban planning (UNICEF – 2018)*

Child-Friendly City Concept

A child-friendly city is a city, town, municipality or any system of local governance committed to fulfilling child rights as articulated in the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

It is a city or municipality where the **VOICES, NEEDS, PRIORITIES AND RIGHTS OF CHILDREN** are an integral part of public policies, programmes, and decisions. **Thus, a child-friendly city is a city that is fit for all.**

Every child, including adolescents, survives and thrives, with access to **quality healthcare**

Enhancing **multisectoral participation and engagement**

Key Focus Areas

Every child, including adolescents, learns and acquires **skills for the future**

Every child, including adolescents, survives and thrives, with access to **nutritious diets focusing on IYCF**

Every child, including adolescents, has access to **safe and equitable water, sanitation and hygiene services**, and lives in a **safe and sustainable climate and environment**

Investing in Urban Planning, Investing in Children

The challenges of urbanization and the need for equity-based, process-oriented and people-centred urban planning require investments in the profession, in terms of capacity building and training. This, in turn, requires that existing practices in urban planning need to be strengthened and outdated regulations or standards have to be enhanced.

To plan child-responsive urban settings is not a matter of inventing new tools, but fine-tuning and adjusting existing instruments, strategies and methods to focus on children.
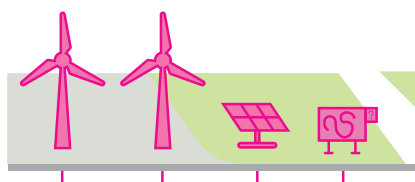
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Children's Rights and Urban Planning
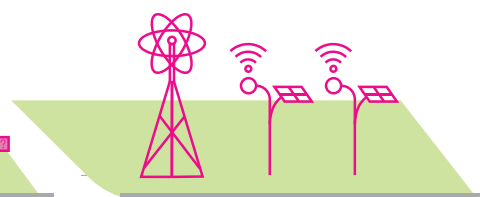
Principles to Provide and Integrate Urban System

Principle 1
Investments
Invest in child-responsive urban planning

Principle 2
Energy Networks
Integrate clean energy networks and ensure reliable access to power

Principle 3
Data and ICT Networks
Integrate data and ICT networks to ensure digital connectivity for children
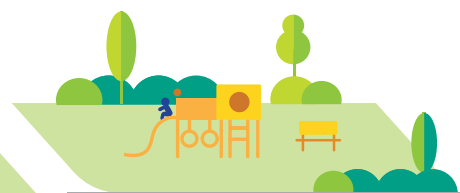
Principle 4
Housing and Land Tenure
Affordable and adequate housing to make every child feel secure

Principle 5
Public Amenities
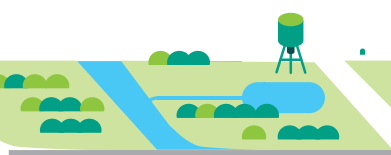Accessible infrastructure for health, education and social services for children

Principle 6
Public Spaces
Safe and inclusive public and green spaces

Principle 7
Transportation Systems
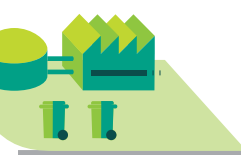Ensure independent mobility for children

Principle 8
Integrated Urban Water and Sanitation Management Systems
Universal and equitable access to safe and affordable water and hygiene

Principle 9
Food System
Access to healthy, affordable and sustainably-produced food and nutrition

Principle 10
Waste Cycle System
Safe and clean environment for children

CHILDREN AND CITIES

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URBAN CHAOS

ROAD SAFETY

STRESSED INFRASTRUCTURE

UV radiation

Hazardous building materials

Poor ventilation

Contaminated ground water

Noise pollution

Air and noise pollution

INFORMAL SETTLEMENTS

HARMFUL SURROUNDINGS

CLIMATE CRISIS

Access to clean water, sanitation & hygeine

Incineration

Drought

E-waste

Medical waste

Parasites

Hazardous Waste

Flood
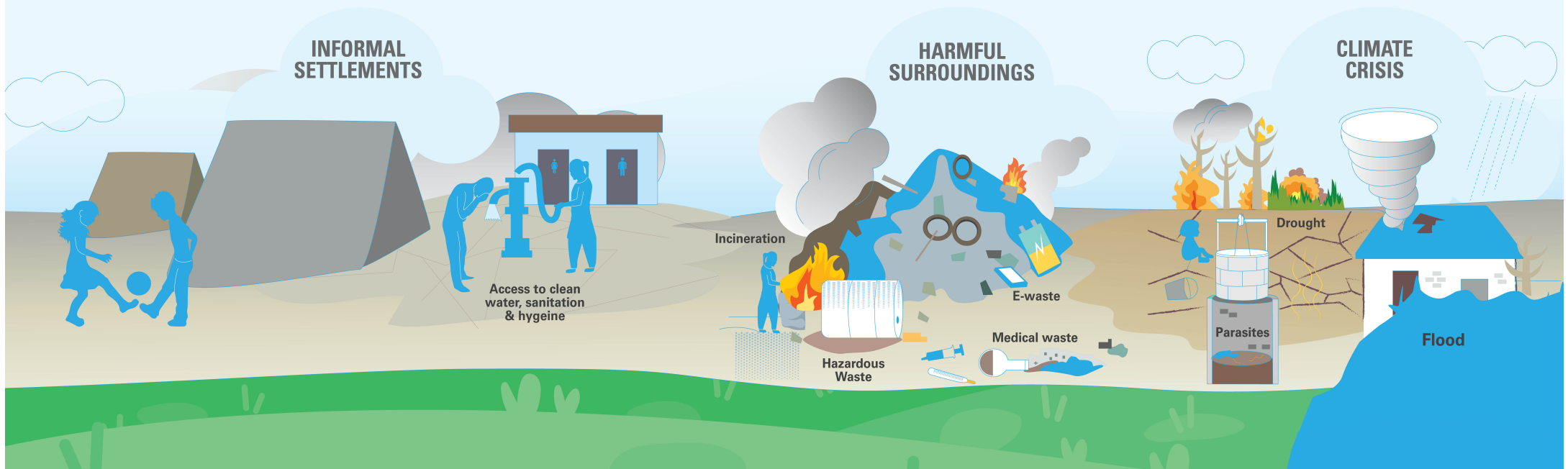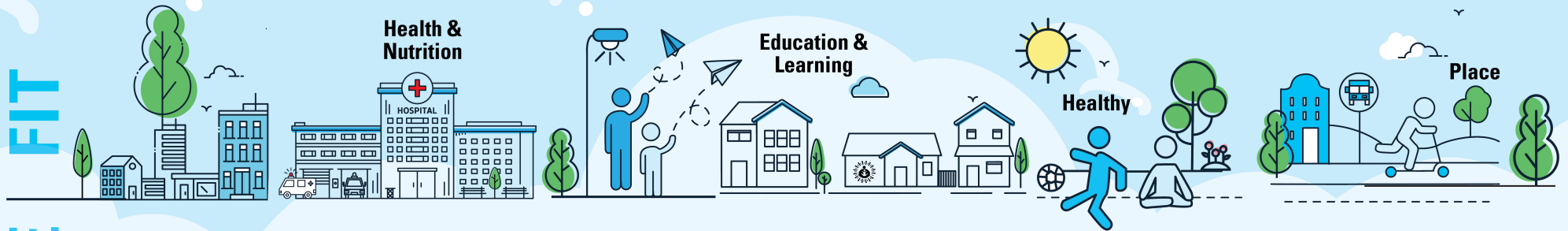
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A city where the **VOICES, NEEDS, PRIORITIES** and **RIGHTS OF CHILDREN** are an integral part of public policies, programmes and decisions through a **COLLABORATIVE APPROACH**
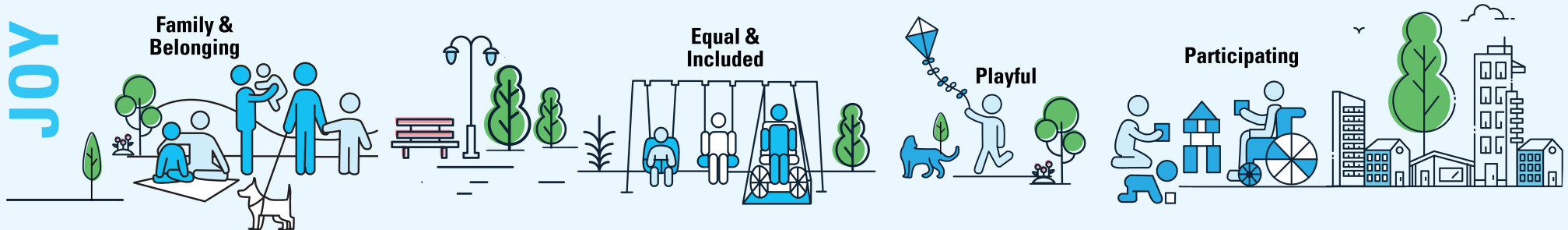
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FIT

Health & Nutrition

HOSPITAL

Education & Learning

Healthy

Place

THRIVE

Child-Friendly Services

Communication

Innovation

Culture

Children's Rights

Safe & Secure

Co-operation & Leadership

JOY

Family & Belonging

Equal & Included

Playful

Participating

CHILD-RESPONSIVE URBAN PLANNING

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SCHOOL

Life skill training

POLICE STATION

HOSPITAL

AMBULANCE

STREET

NEIGHBOURHOOD

CITY

- Early childhood care services
- Health services
- Convenience store
- Open spaces/ Play area
- Utilities

- Education
- Primary Health
- Community center
- Recreation
- Mobility
- Security

- Higher education
- Tertiary health care
- Civic center
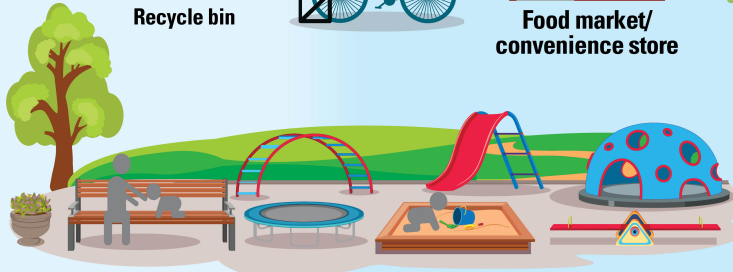- Public utilities
- Infrastructure services
- Rapid Transit System
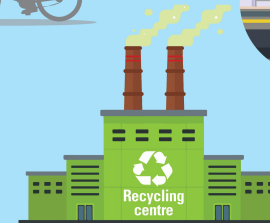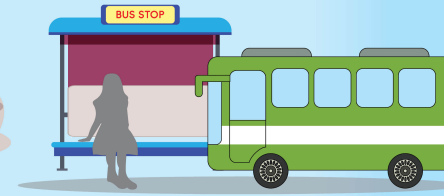
Daycare

Recycle bin

Bike parking

GROCERY
OPEN

Food market/ convenience store

Community garden

METRO STATION

COTTON candy

Playground/ Park

BUS STOP

Recycling centre

Sports facility

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Support children

to express themselves

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Respect children's thoughts & beliefs

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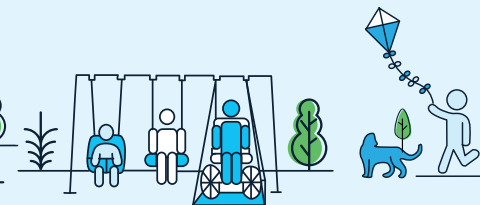
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