

# How To Make Cities More Resilient A Handbook for Local Government Leaders

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## Making Cities Resilient - My City is Getting Ready

Launched in May 2010, the Making Cities Resilient: “My city is getting ready!” Campaign addresses local risk governance, urban risk and resilience. The Making Cities Resilient Campaign will continue beyond 2020 with the support and recommendations of many partners and participants. This has been assured through two documents adopted by government and international stakeholders: the Local and Sub-National Governments Declaration at the 2015 UN World Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction in Sendai, Japan, and “The Florence Way Forward” adopted at the High-Level Forum on Implementing the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction at the Local Level in Florence, Italy in June 2016.

### 2015-2020: From awareness to implementation and beyond

Together with its partners, the United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNISDR), through the Making Cities Resilient: “My city is getting ready!” Campaign supports activities that promote resilience, sustainable urban development and increased understanding of disaster risks by stakeholders in their respective localities.

The campaign has entered a new phase with the adoption of the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction: 2015- 2030. The campaign’s first phase (2010-2015) was highly valued by partners and participating cities.

As result of its success, the campaign will continue to shift its focus towards more implementation support, city-to-city learning and cooperation, local action planning and the monitoring of progress in cities. The campaign shall also continue its mission to advocate for widespread local government commitment to build resilience against disasters as well as consistent national government support to cities to further strengthen capacities while implementing the Sendai Framework at the local level. The Ten-Point checklist of Ten Essentials for Making Cities Resilient serves as a reliable guide to city actors in fulfilling their commitment to the Sendai Framework goal. The checklist is the organizing principle for reporting and monitoring during the campaign.

Handbook is free to download at: <https://www.unisdr.org/we/inform/publications/54256>