



Every city, and our collective future, depends on healthy forests around the world. It is time for cities and their residents to join the global effort to conserve and restore forests — inside and outside city boundaries.

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CITIES ARE AT THE VANGUARD

With nearly 70% of humanity estimated to live in urban areas by 2050, cities are vital for global climate action. The urban policies and procurement practices of cities have tremendous potential to support the conservation, restoration and sustainable management of forests. Many cities already protect forests in some way: from parks and natural areas to green infrastructure and watershed management programs. Few, however, have initiatives to support global forests.

Cities4Forests highlights the role of forests in providing climate solutions.

Over 60 cities participate in #Cities4Forests

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FORESTS PROVIDE MANY BENEFITS

Trees and natural areas within cities — **inner forests** — clean the air, offset heat islands, lower energy bills, provide jobs, improve human health and provide habitat for wildlife. Forested watersheds surrounding cities — **nearby forests** — contribute to fresher air and drinking water, reduce flooding and provide access to nature. Global **faraway forests** sequester carbon, generate rain for the world's farm belts, provide a wealth of products, and host most of the world's land-based biodiversity.

Cities4Forests helps connect inner, nearby and faraway forests with cities around the world.

Cities  **Forests**



We connect cities with forests for a healthier world

INNER FORESTS

Cooler cities | Better health
Less noise pollution | Access to nature

NEARBY FORESTS

Clean water | Reduced flooding
Recreation in nature | Less erosion

FARAWAY FORESTS

Carbon sequestration | Responsible timber
Medicinal compounds | Biodiversity



We need **more trees**
in our cities.

We need **more nature**
in our lives.

We need **more forests**
in our world.