COVID19 Responses & cities. A selected panorama of resources
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Source: UNDESA
1. Networks

1. [https://covidnews.eurocities.eu/](https://covidnews.eurocities.eu/)
   Eurocities Live updates COVID-19: European cities respond to the coronavirus crisis

2. [https://www.citiesforglobalhealth.org](https://www.citiesforglobalhealth.org)
   Cities for Global Health, by Metropolis and several partners - “Cities for Global Health is an initiative co-led by Metropolis and the Euro-Latin-American Alliance of Cooperation among Cities, AL-LAs, and is part of the “Live Learning Experience: beyond the immediate response to the outbreak”, developed by UCLG and supported by UN-Habitat and Metropolis.” As of April 11, 232 initiatives uploaded and 59 cities with an initiative.

   OECD regularly updated Cities policy responses on Covid19

4. [https://covid19.nlc.org](https://covid19.nlc.org)
   National League of Cities Pandemic response (US) - The National League of Cities and Bloomberg Philanthropies have teamed up to collect and share actions taken by local leaders in response to the COVID-19 Pandemic.


6. [https://www.usmayors.org/issues/covid-19/](https://www.usmayors.org/issues/covid-19/)
   COVID-19: What Mayors Need to Know. By US Conference of Mayors - “In addition to the resources here, we encourage mayors to join the Bloomberg Philanthropies Coronavirus Local Response Initiative.”

7. [https://newcities.org/the-big-rethink/](https://newcities.org/the-big-rethink/)
   The Big Rethink, by the New Cities Foundation - “As the coronavirus pandemic brings urban life around the globe to a halt, it's time to present our new digital initiative tackling the impacts of Covid-19 on city-making and city-planning around the world. It is time, we believe, for a Big Rethink about what cities can be in the future.” +series of global webinars

   WEF on Covid19 - “Coronavirus (COVID-19). Stay up to date on the current situation with the COVID-19 coronavirus and its effects on global health, the economy, and more. Find more information from the World Health Organization here / Basic protective measures against the new coronavirus from the WHO can be found here. / Read our coverage in Spanish here, in French here and in Japanese here. Our COVID-19 Transformation Map can be found on our Strategic Intelligence Platform.”
   NOTA: the WEF covid19 website doesn’t focus on cities only but on all aspects of the pandemic

   SDSN TReNDS’ - “Read SDSN TReNDS’ response to COVID-19 and view a selection of resources they’ve compiled from the data community to help better understand, monitor, and mitigate the pandemic.”
2. Philanthropies


**Bloomberg Philanthropies Coronavirus Response**

Giving public health professionals the tools to protect the public is vital to saving lives and to helping mitigate the kind of economic and social damage that could make this crisis even more debilitating for families and communities.

Bloomberg Philanthropies is accelerating the fight against the COVID-19 pandemic with initiatives including the Coronavirus Local Response Initiative and the Coronavirus Global Response Initiative, and is making investments in cities like New York and London.

**Coronavirus Local Response Initiative**

With the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health (link), the Bloomberg Harvard City Leadership Initiative (link), the National League of Cities (link), the United States Conference of Mayors (link), and National Association of City Transportation Officials (link), Bloomberg Philanthropies is helping American mayors respond to the rapidly evolving Coronavirus.

**Coronavirus Global Response Initiative**

With Resolve to Save Lives and the World Health Organization, the $40 million Bloomberg Philanthropies Coronavirus Global Response Initiative will have a strong focus on African nations, but will also extend beyond to support the additional mayors and city governments around the world.

- Partnership for Healthy Cities COVID-19 Response Webinar

The webinar was opened by Kelly Larson, who leads the Partnership for Healthy Cities initiative at Bloomberg Philanthropies, and Dr. Douglas Bettcher, Senior Advisor, Office of the Director-General, World Health Organization. Amanda McClelland, Senior Vice President for the Prevent Epidemics program at Resolve to Save Lives, an initiative of Vital Strategies, provided a situation report on COVID-19 along with an overview of effective pandemic responses. Dan KASS, Senior Vice President for Environmental Health at Vital Strategies, reviewed priority issues that municipal leaders and planners should prepare to address, and Adam Karpati conveyed the specific measures the Partnership will take to assist the cities. (nota: Bill Clinton joined the 2nd webinar, George Bush joined the 3rd webinar).

- The Transportation Response Center.
- The Investing in Cities program

3. Other universities and think tanks initiatives

https://ghss.georgetown.edu/covid2019/

**Center for Global Health Science and Security at Georgetown University COVID-19 Updates** - In collaboration with colleagues at the Nuclear Threat Initiative, the Center for Global Development, and Talus Analytics, we are launching the COVID-19 Frontline Guide. This resource is intended to provide leaders and public officials with a web-based decision support tool and progress indicators to assist in informed decision-making on how to combat COVID-19 in their jurisdictions. This guide provides a framework to help local leaders establish strategies to fight the outbreak, both by reducing transmission of the disease and by supporting their communities effectively.

https://www.covidlocal.org

**COVID-19- A Frontline Guide for Local Decision-Makers**

This guide is informed by existing guidance from U.S. and global authorities, public health research findings, and lessons observed from countries that have been battling COVID-19 since January 2020.

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4. Smart cities


Smart cities dive - Tracking the impact of coronavirus on US cities

5. G20 Saudi Arabia on covid19

G20 2020 – March and April 2020

- April 19 - Disappointing Results from the G20 Health Ministers' Meeting (an analysis from the G20 Research Group)
- April 15 - G20 ministers of finance and central banks governors' communiqué
- April 10 - Virtual meeting of the G20 ministers of energy + statement
- April 5 - B20, L20, W20 Joint statement on employment, skills and women
- March 31 - Virtual meeting of the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors to coordinate their efforts in response to the COVID-19
- March 27- T20 Statement to the Extraordinary Virtual G20 Leaders’ Summit, reviewed and endorsed by UNDP
- March 26 - G20 Statement, Extraordinary G20 Leaders’ Summit
- March 25 - U20 Letter on the G20 Summit on covid19
- March 24 – B20, ICC and WHO joint statement on the G20 summit on covid19
- March 24 - W20 Statement on the G20 summit on covid19
- March 24 - L20 letter on G20 summit on covid19
- March 23 - Virtual meeting of the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors to coordinate their efforts in response to the COVID-19
- March 19 - B20 Announcement | Initiative to Address COVID-19 & Similar Global Challenges
- March 12 - ICC call to the G20 leaders to take action on covid19
- March 12 - Statement on covid19 – G20 Sherpas meeting in Al Khobar, Saudi Arabia
- March 6 - Statement on covid19. G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors
- Early March - B20, L20, W20, Y20, L20, S20, T20 Joint statement on pandemic preparedness

G20 on health in the immediate past years: