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### **SmartER Communities**

Thank you for your interest in the proposed design for SmartER Communities. This design emphasizes an actionable and adaptable partnership model in support of the New Urban Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals, as defined by the United Nations Development Program and the conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development.

Examples of the current predictive models, [America 2050](#), [World Urbanization Prospects 2018](#), and [KPMG Future State 2030](#) all point to [urbanization](#), where the majority of the world's inhabitants will inhabit large scale cities.

Large-scale city infrastructure can barely support the current populations, let alone the explosive growth that would occur in urbanization. Large scale cities are already inundated with social problems, climate change issues, and redundant, cumbersome government agencies. While these city governments and non-profits are well intentioned in future planning strategies, based on past performance and current state, there is little evidence that the necessary infrastructure will be in place by 2030 *or* 2050 to support explosive population growth.

Additionally, secondary cities and urban sprawl have further strained affordable living best practices for lower income wage earners.

SCC's design proposes an alternative solution that can be implemented *now* in existing markets, with existing funding opportunities. This design proposes a SmartER community, where frontier technologies will be combined with environmental, social and economic sustainability goals (the [Three Pillars of Sustainability](#)). These SmartER communities could be substantially funded with local, state and federal government agency initiatives, non-profit sponsorships, private enterprise contributions and grassroots donations.

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