

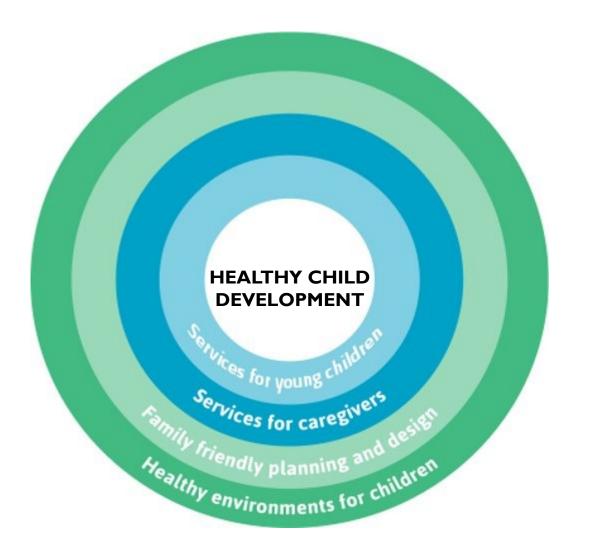


Shaping cities for young children and their families

The Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge ("the Challenge") is hosted by the Smart Cities Mission, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India, in collaboration with the Bernard van Leer Foundation and with the technical support of WRI India. This Challenge aims to incorporate a focus on neighbourhood-level improvements in Indian cities that promote healthy early childhood development (0-5-year-old children) in the planning and management of Indian cities. By shaping urban neighbourhoods that work well for pregnant women, young children, and their families, cities can nurture strong communities, economic development, and better quality of life for all.



Designing for Young Children (0–5-year-old) and Families



Cities that work for young children and their families...

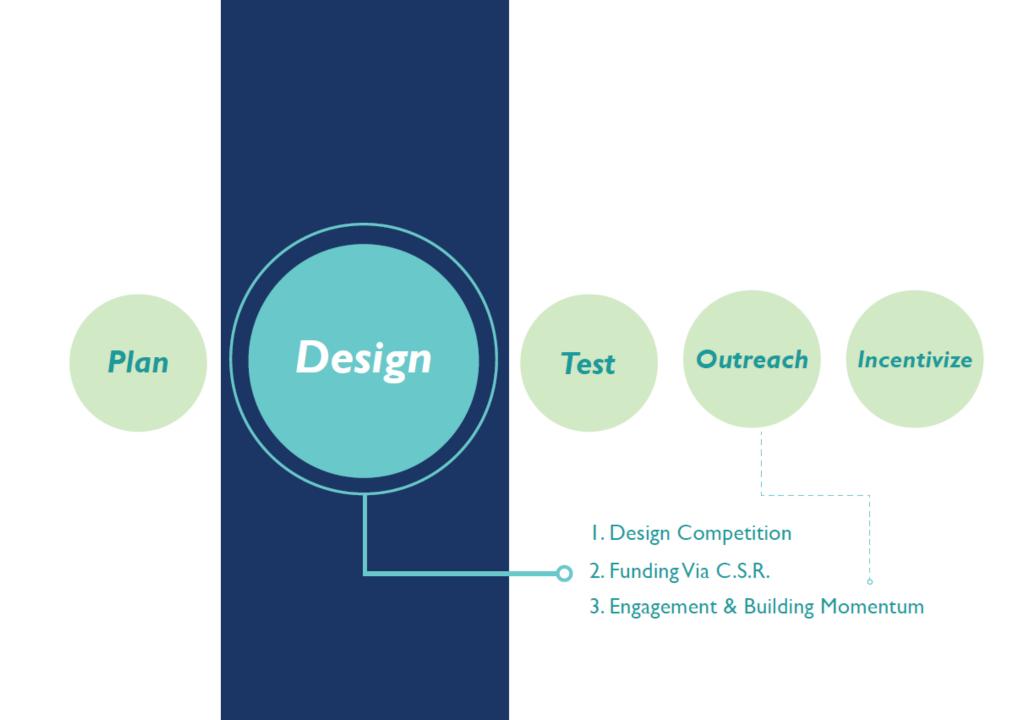
are cities that work for all

Designing safe, stimulating and playful environment for 0-5-year-old children and their caregivers results in a healthy development of these children and sets a strong foundation for society. Under the Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge, the city of **Vadodara** envisions

To create a network of **young children-oriented spaces** around the early childhood facilities in the neighbourhood

via

Safe and walkable streets leading to public spaces Creating accessible play spaces for children of all ages and abilities Connecting green corridors



Designing a **Playground On Wheels** van

What is the Competition?

As part of the Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge, Vadodara has planned a pilot project of a Mobile Van that will provide pop-up play spaces for toddlers in the neighbourhood. This competition invites ideas for design of this van that is playful and interactive for young children and their families. It shall be an economical urban furniture that is innovative, movable and transformable in nature.

Who can Apply?

This competition is open for all professionals and students from the architecture, urban design, furniture design, urban planning and other relevant backgrounds.

How to Apply?

Interested candidates can apply for the competition through official website of the Challenge, <u>https://smartnet.niua.org/nurturing-neighbourhoods-challenge/web/vadodara</u> OR scan the code here.

Please send the submissions in PDF format on <u>smartcityarchitect@vmc.gov.in</u> (file size up to 10 MB).

The winning design will be implemented on ground as a part of the challenge, in collaboration with Vadodara Smart City and Nurturing Neighbourhoods team.



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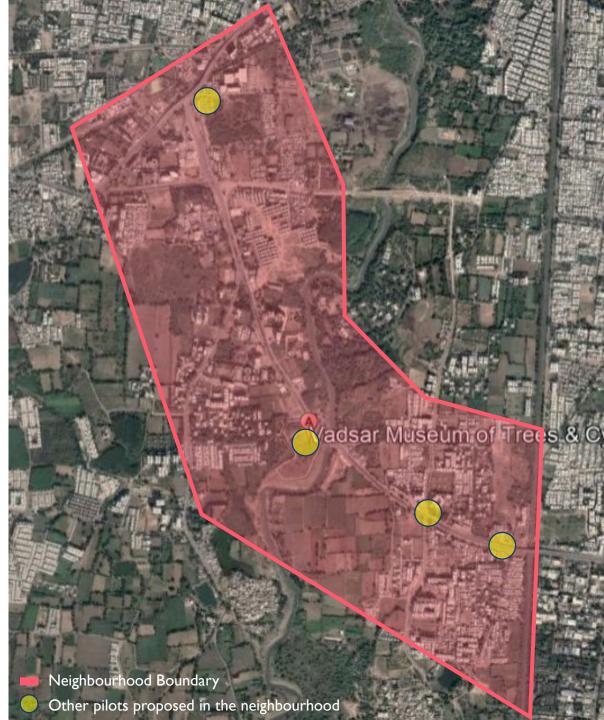
Pilot location Vadsar-Kalali-Makarpura (South zone)

Being mobile in nature, the van intends to move around in the neighbourhood selected for Nurturing Neighbourhoods Challenge. Post pilot, it will be extended to other locations under the School Connect Program, in the north and the south zone of the city.

Project Goal and Objectives

The goal of the project is to produce a design solution that enables the experience of a playground, park or garden in a compact and a mobile form of a van. The design shall cater to multiple activities revolving around young children and their caregivers such as play, seating, group interactions.

The objective of this project focuses on taking the amenities directly to the users in a dense settlements where the open spaces are unavailable or already contested. This will complement other pilots being implemented in the neighbourhood.



Design criteria

Please see the reference image below for dimensions of the van. Consider the same while proposing design solutions that can include playful elements and modules carried by this van in the neighbourhood.



Length: 5219mm

COMPACTABILITY	Design Principles	MODULARITY
SUSTAINABILITY	AFFORDABILITY	INTERACTIVE



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