

Avery Cullinan ~ CDS Brings Green Living To Urban Slums



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As the global population surges, urban environments, particularly in the developing world, are increasingly strained to accommodate the influx. While urbanization has its economic, health, and environmental benefits, cities unable to keep up with the growth are marked by overcrowded, unhealthy, and unsafe slums. In Sub-Saharan Africa, for instance, 71% of all urban dwellers live in slums (World Health Organization). When the devastating standards of living are combined with the environmental impacts of slums, the problems of both are amplified.

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Hend Taher ~ There's The Slum, Then There's Cairo's City Of Dead (Photos)



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For those who cannot afford living in Cairo's slums there remains only one option: to live in the cemetery. According to official statistics, one and half million people are now living amid mausoleums in the desert.

The main street is full of parked cars. At the corner of the mausoleum there are workshops, cafés and small shops. Men smoke Narghile, play domino and drink tea. Through open doors you can see women who eat and talk to each other.

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