

Ekhaya - An Affordable Informal Housing Solution: Johnny Anderton At TEDxCapeTown

Johnny works to develop and disseminate simple, cost-effective ideas to improve the lives of those living in informal settlements.

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New Housing For Bangkok Slum Residents [Informal City Dialogues]

Informal housing is changing in Bangkok. Through a program called the Community Organizations Development Institute (CODI), more slum dwellers are being given the chance to take the lead in upgrading or resettling their homes. An alternative to top-down government solutions — which sometimes do more harm than good — CODI puts the people most affected by slum conditions at the forefront of the process.

Watch this video with Thai subtitles: http://youtu.be/uqwGT9_UHk0

This film is part of The Rockefeller Foundation's Informal City Dialogues

(<http://www.nextcity.org/informalcity>), in partnership with Forum for the Future and Next City. The project aims to start a conversation about informality in six different developing cities, and how we might make those cities more inclusive and resilient as we move into our rapidly urbanizing future.

Charl Van Der Merwe - An Overview Of Current Discourse On Sustainable Cities In Africa

The South African Shack Dwellers Trying To Find A Voice

A Place in the City: Inside the struggle of South Africa's post-apartheid shackdwellers

More than a decade after apartheid ended millions of South Africans still live in basic home-made shacks. We hear from the inhabitants as they eloquently argue their case for real citizenship rights.

The shack dwellers movement, Abahlali baseMjondolo, began in 2005. Their slogan is 'Talk to us, not about us.' 'It's not that people like to live in shacks. No one will ever want to live in these conditions but they need to be close to their work' explains S'bu Zikode, Abahlali's elected leader. However, the group has not been welcomed by the ANC. They've been met with aggression rather than with negotiations. Police shot Mariet Kikine with six rubber bullets at a peaceful

demonstration. 'I'm not stopping to fight the government for my rights. Now they've made me brave.' In the build-up to the 2010 soccer World Cup, Durban shack dwellers fear they will be bulldozed out of the city, or arrested. 'This new legislation makes it a crime to build shacks or resist demolition and eviction.' But the shack dwellers are determined not to give up.

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19 oktober 2013. Toen Bonaire een bijzondere gemeente van Nederland werd, onstonden er 2 eilanden. Er was het kleine pittoreske Bonaire waar iedereen elkaar kent, en een nieuw snel Bonaire van Nederlandse migranten.

Zie: http://www.uitzendinggemist.net/Caribisch_Nederland

CNBCAfrica - Affordable Housing Possible In South Africa

The latest research into the provision of affordable housing in the so-called gap

market in South Africa shows that it not only brings with it improved welfare and social cohesion.