

Makoko, a problem for Lagos.

Makoko is a slum of Lagos in Nigeria. Poor people who live there, mostly work in Olusosun, a dump. Moreover, children do not go to school, they work. This is a problem because children do not have access to education which leads to a unwell payed job. Makoko is situated next to a bridge. Furthermore, it is exposed to people coming on business trip as they pass the bridge. Finally, Makoko is a slum on water, which is a problem because houses could collapse at every moment.



What could they do for a better Makoko ?

- The city should help Makoko by increasing the workers' (waist pickers) salary.
- The government should help to restore their homes because if not they will collapse and caused important damages.
- They should clean this place to improve hygiene of local's life



The over urbanization of Lagos

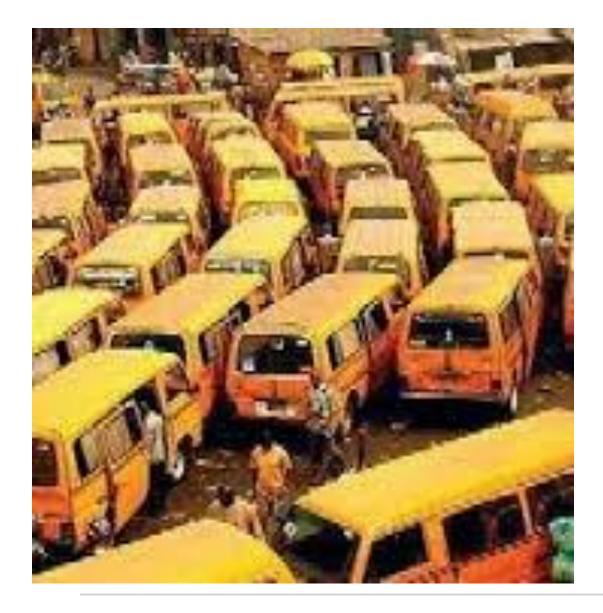


Lagos is facing major over urbanization and population with about 15-16 million people. In addition, the city is very poor, so not everyone are settle in safe homes. It is also hard to provide transportation for everyone. People who take their cars often find themselves in big traffic .

A solution for an over populated city.

- Lagos is a non-stop growing city. And approxamilty 70 % of the population reside in informal settlments.
- As a solution, donations could be installed to help the people in need and give them a proper home.
- If this is too expensive even with donations, the government could at least renovate people's current homes in Makoko.





Lack of public transport

• People who are too poor to provide themselves a car have to take rare public transport like small yellow busses called Danfo. Although it is very expensive, some people take the ferry to be sure to arrive on time to work as it takes only 25 instead of 2 hours by car and the danfo busses are usually full of people.

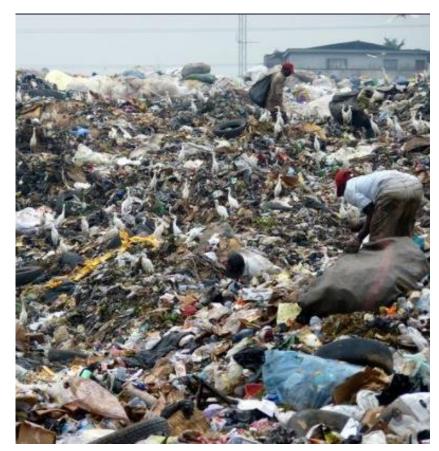
A way to improve transportation.



To fix this problem, the Lagos government could propose a project to develop more public transport and to limit the traffic that there is now. Moreover, they could make the boat less expensive so that everyone can have access to it.

Olusosun, a dirty dump

Olusosun is the largest area of Lagos with 100 km². Olusosun is a dump and every year, 1 million tons of waste are thrown in it. 150 children work there as waste pickers and 58,7% of the children that work there are not attending school, so they are not educated. In the future, they'll be older and won't be able to have a good job because of their education so they'll have to work in the dump for the rest of their lives. Their salary will always remain between 1,20 and 3,85 \$ per day.



A few ways to improve a messy dump.

- Lagos government could invest so they buy and bring machines such as cranes trucks etc. They could hire workers who know how to work without putting themselves in danger.
- Nigerian govenment could be more serious with the laws to protect the children, and go to school.



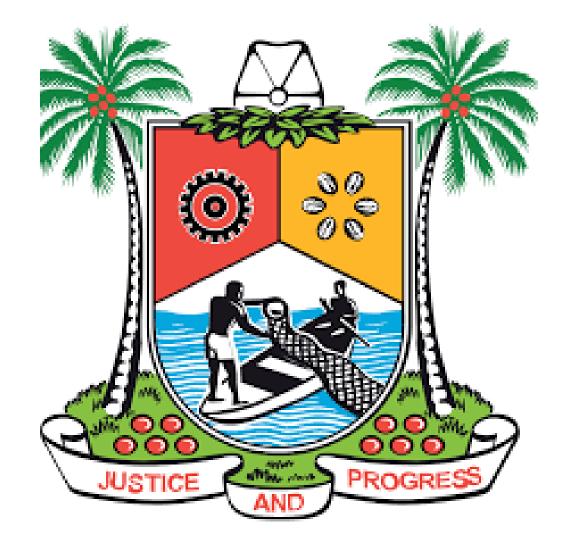


The government is not helping!

• The government isn't making efforts to help the people who are forced to leave their houses , and to work as a waste picker. In addition to it, free primary and secondary schools is essential to the population. When the peoples arrive to Olussosun, they get guarantee and need to be registered to work. In addition, this population is working on waste-picking ; they resell the waste-picking objects

What could they do to help?

- The government should build buisness buildings, houses, appartment for the poor population and he should help with money. In addition to it, the government must pay a better salary to the population. He should built a touristic zones and markets to feed the population.
- Furthermore, they chould have Hospitals and nurceries to hill them. Finally, the government should have garbage trucks.











The end

