

Building the edible city

Building cities that encourage urban agriculture – particularly rooftop farms – promotes food security and generates income for the world's growing population of city dwellers.

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A significant benefit of growing produce in cities is that it provides them a greater degree of control over their own food systems.

The World Bank supports city dwellers who grow their own food because it can help them to become more resilient to shocks in domestic food production and to global price swings in primary commodities. It can also help them to become more resilient to climate change.

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City dwellers worldwide have been growing food for their own table, or extra income, for generations – on balconies, rooftops or empty lots – with or without official blessing.

Building Resilience *construyendo resiliencia*

How do we face adversity in life?

There are two main ways to do this. One is to react and the other is to respond. In American culture, there is a great deal of emphasis on reacting. We are told to react quickly, often in a matter of seconds. This is not always the best way to respond. It is often better to take a moment to think about what you are doing and how you are feeling. This is the essence of resilience.

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She is pointing to a plant in her garden.

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