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It all started in Dergano. Once a village on the outskirts of our city, recently this resurgent neighborhood, like so much of our city, had been reborn. And yet, Dergano, newly central to commerce and culture in Milan, lacked a center of its own, as its historical piazza sat lifeless, merely a sea of empty asphalt and parked cars.

My administration would not allow that status quo to stand. Moving swiftly, using only paint and planters, benches and ping-pong tables, we brought Piazza Dergano back to life, as playing children, seniors, and people from all walks of life took ownership of the new square, and showed how much is possible when we redesign our streets so that they truly serve the people of Milan. With success here, we brought this model to neighborhoods in every corner of Milan, from

Angilberto to Porta Genova, via Spoleto to Piazza Sicilia. Piazza by piazza, neighborhood by neighborhood, we gave the people of Milan not just the physical space they lacked but a renewed sense of community spirit. And we continued to evolve our efforts, first to transforming these temporary projects into permanent public spaces, and then applying the same spirit to keep Milano moving during the pandemic and ensure that our streets emerged from it safer and more vibrant than ever before.

And so, our Piazze Aperte program now provides new, accessible open space to one out of every two Milanese, just one of many efforts that have made our streets safer for pedestrians and cyclists than they have been in decades. Today, as my administration embarks on a new mandate, with both experienced leadership and fresh perspectives, I am committed finishing what we started. Just as one small square in Dergano grew into many new piazze, by working together and committing to safer, sustainable streets, the possibilities for Piazze Aperte are infinite.

Giuseppe Sala Mayor of Milan There is only one Milan. But every city is made up of hundreds, if not thousands, of smaller 'cities' interdependent neighborhood ecosystems each with its own identity and each one as important as the other. Some are lucky enough to have access to local parks, bike lanes, playgrounds, and public space close by, while others see them as luxuries enjoyed elsewhere.

Piazze Aperte helps connect people with their neighborhoods, with one another and with the larger city, offering new ways to experience life outside the home. It turned parking areas into more livable, healthier, and car-free spaces, by shaping new bike lanes, adding 30 km/h areas and encouraging healthier, more sustainable ways of getting around. It also represents a change in how the municipality collaborates with neighborhoods, helping develop deeper relationships with residents, who were involved within the design process and the creation of spaces as diverse as the people who use them.

Piazze Aperte can also contribute to the overall resiliency of the city as it faces some of the challenges of the coming decades: mitigating urban heat islands by adding and expanding green infrastructure; reducing the impact of stormwater by de-paving portions of the city previously covered by asphalt or concrete; and installing bike lanes and bike racks to promote sustainable mobility and improve air quality as well as citizens' well-being.

In meetings across the city, we spoke with residents about their needs for space for children to play outside of their courtyards, the need for a corridor to walk easily from the train station to the Metro, places for parents to wait for kids outside of schools, benches for grandparents to read the paper and enjoy daily life outside.

There are similarities across neighborhoods but each plan is based on the uniqueness of each place, from the whale-shaped piazza outside Tommaso Ciresola School on Via Spoleto to the grids and gardenboxes at Via Val Lagarina to the picnic and ping-pong tables at Piazza Sicilia. In each case, the goal is not just the attractiveness of the space itself but in the full scope of human activity within our public spaces at different times of the day, on different days and different times of the year.

These spaces serve people. They also hold together their communities and the future of the city. Mayor Sala's Milano 2030 agenda promised to take steps today in order create a city that is cooler, greener, better connected, more equitable, more walkable, less polluted and less dominated by cars than it is today. We can accomplish this not by taking anything away but by adding new possibilities to the street.

After just three years, Piazze Aperte is a point of local pride that is heralded the world, inspiring other cities to see how community space can be planned, built and managed as an essential city service. Thirty-eight piazza is an incredible achievement in one political term, but in a city as vast and varied as Milan, there are as many more opportunities as there are streets, and we are committed to every one of them.

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Eighteen months before the pandemic hit, Mayor Sala's administration had already started to reverse the decades-old pattern of neighborhoods turning their backs on their streets, surrendering them to parking lots for cars. In many neighborhoods, particularly those with higher percentages of immigrants and lower incomes, children were forced to play inside or in building courtyards because the sidewalks outside their homes were too narrow and the streets to dangerous with speeding cars. Piazze Aperte gave neighbors of all sizes, ages, and backgrounds spaces to be together—to stop and sit down, rest and enjoy one another's company.

Piazze Aperte showed how Milan's streets function as front yards for residents. But it was the mechanics of this program, the selection of the locations, the outreach process and the engineering strategies that provided the foundation for the Commune to reclaim and reallocate lanes on roads. Streets like Corso Buenos Aires and Corso Venezia were redesigned quickly using simple materials, allowing tens of thousands of people to walk and bike easily and safely without having to crowd onto sidewalks and buses.

Across Europe and around the world, cities responded to the pandemic with their streets. But Milan's achievements on the street within the pandemic's first weeks set the global model that influenced cities around the world, preceding, matching and in some cases eclipsing roadway reclamations in cities like Paris, London, Berlin and New York.

Milan showed the world that people-first streets are more than recreational amenities. They create strong community ties, make neighborhoods more resilient and connect people with local businesses, transportation and one another.

Strong streets are essential civic infrastructure in cities that can help hold people together even when challenges like the pandemic seem to drive them apart. Piazze Aperte, and this report, shows how to make that possible.

Janette Sadik-Khan Principal - Bloomberg Associates



The Piazze Aperte program

Piazze Aperte ("Open Squares") is a program of the City of Milan, developed by Agenzia Mobilità Ambiente Territorio (AMAT), together with Bloomberg Associates and the Global Designing Cities Initiative. The program centers around urban regeneration and sustainable mobility, key goals of the Territory Governance Plan for Milan 2030 (PGT Milano 2030) and the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan, in the context of the "Piano Quartieri" ("Neighborhood Plan").

Piazze Aperte aims to **enhance public spaces** and turn them into community gathering places, to extend pedestrian areas, and to promote sustainable forms of mobility to benefit the environment and improve the quality of life in the city. Piazze Aperte uses the "tactical urbanism" approach to put public spaces once again at the center of community life and to encourage people to make the most of public squares, rather than just using them for parking or thoroughfares. By giving people back their community spaces, the hope is that, through activities, gatherings, and even just simply "living" in these areas, public squares will once again regain their full status as local meeting places.

Thanks to this program, and through the signing of collaboration agreements, the City of Milan and its residents are able to actively cooperate in the design, development, and implementation of public spaces, as well as promoting and preserving them, based on the principles of shared management.

In 2019, the City of Milan launched a call for proposals entitled "Piazze Aperte in ogni quartiere" ("Open Squares in every neighborhood"), with the aim of identifying new spaces to be transformed, receiving over 60 suggestions. To date, the Municipality of Milan has implemented more than 35 tactical interventions and continues to plan new ones.



Aims of the Piazze Aperte program



To redesign neighborhood streets and squares as places of social interaction, vitality and gathering, bringing urban spaces back into public life.



To improve the safety of residents, pedestrians, and cyclists through pedestrianization and traffic calming measures, with a particular focus on children, the elderly, and people with disabilities.



To transform existing public spaces thanks to low-cost, high-impact street transformations, before addressing permanent interventions.



To encourage effective collaboration between residents and the local goverment, promoting community engagement through the shared management of community assets.

TACTICAL URBANISM MEASURES FROM 2018 TO 2021

2018	2019	
Piazza Dergano - 1	Piazzale Stazione Genova - 4	
Piazza Angilberto II - 2	Piazza Gasparri - 5	
<u> Piazza San Luigi</u> - 3	Via Spoleto / via Venini - 6	
	Piazza Belloveso - 7	
	Piazzale Lavater - 8	
	Via Guido Reni - 9	
	<u> Piazzale Corvetto</u> - 10	
	<u> Piazzale Cooperazione</u> - 11	
Ţ	<u>Via Rovereto / via Giacosa</u> - 12	
	<u>Via Abbiati</u> - 13	
	<u>Via Santa Rita da Cascia</u> - 14	
	<u>Via Gigante</u> - 15	
	<u>Piazza Alfieri</u> - 16	Pi
	sponse to the Call for proposals	
applications "Piazze Aperte i	n ogni quartiere "	

Local initiative projects

2020

Piazzale Loreto - 17

- Via Laghetto 19
- Piazzale Ferrara 21
- Piazza Sicilia 22
- Via Monte Velino 23 Via Val Lagarina - 24
- Piazza Minniti 25
- Via Pontano 26
- Piazzetta Capuana 27
- Piazzale Tripoli 28
- iazzale Fabio Chiesa 29
 - Largo Balestra 30
- Piazzale Tirana 31
- Viale Monte Ceneri 32
 - Via Pacinotti 33
 - Via Quarti 34

2021

Via De Nora - 35 Via Pacini - 18 Piazza Torri Bianche - 36 Piazzale Bacone - 37 Via Toce - 20 Piazzetta SS Patroni - 38

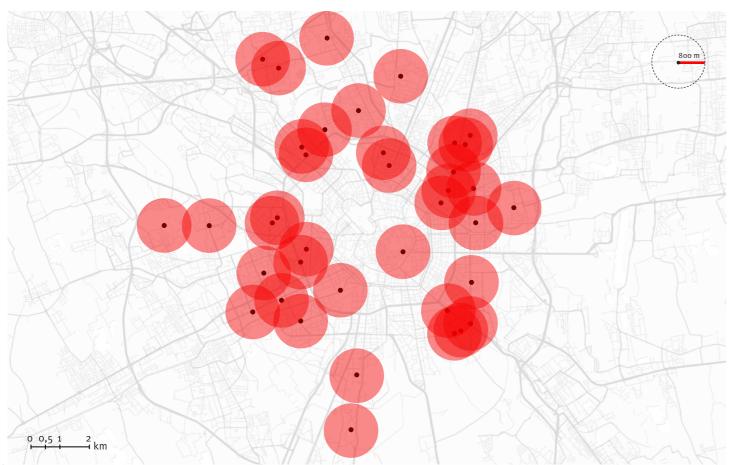
The program in numbers



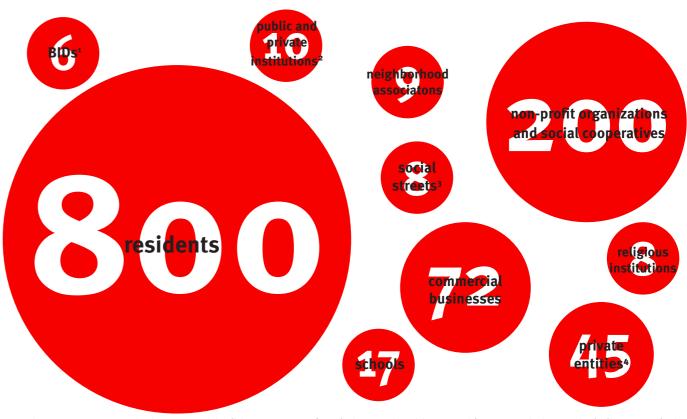
22.000 m ²	௺ஃ இ் of new pedestrian spaces	
38		tactical urbanism interventions
250	Ħ	benches
310	Ŷ	potted plants
380	<u>B</u>	bike racks
35		tables
32	$\sum_{i=0}^{n}$	ping-pong tables

How many residents have benefited from the program?

One in two Milanese residents now have a square within 15 minutes (800 meters) from their home.

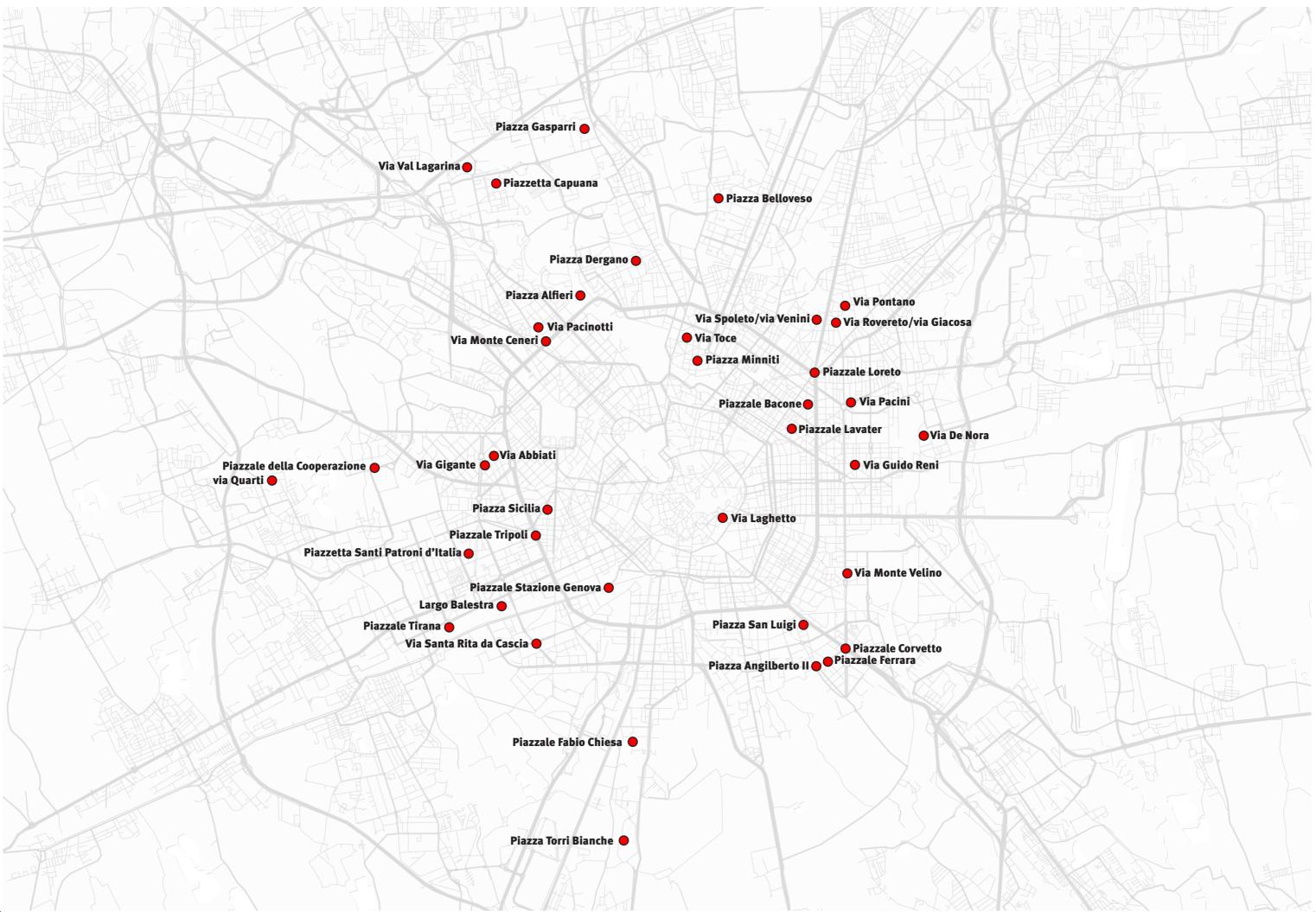


Who took part in the Call for proposals "Piazze Aperte in ogni quartiere"?



1 Business Improvement Districts 2 municipalities, museums, foundations, universities 3 residents associations 4 including many designers







What is "tactical urbanism"?

Tactical urbanism is an innovative approach to urban design, based on **short-term**, **low-cost** measures aimed at creating new public spaces and safer streets.

This type of measure is well known and has been put into practice around the world for over a decade. From Barcelona, where the Superillas program helped to pedestrianize a significant proportion of the city, to New York, where Times Square has been pedestrianized, to Paris, which is rapidly becoming a 'bike friendly' city thanks to interim cycle lanes.

Tactical urbanism measures allow cities to **try out new uses for urban spaces**, and to launch long-term strategies to promote city living. The advantages of this new approach are linked to the immediate impact that these measures have on local residents, who can themselves become advocates for innovation projects and active participants in urban transformation.

The **temporary nature** of tactical urbanism allows cities to try out solutions that can be reversed, if needed before investing time and resources into permanent infrastructure. Interim, simple, fast, and economical solutions can produce immediate benefits, test experimental solutions, help in making the right choices, and support future decision-making on permanent solutions.

TACTICAL URBANISM PROCESS - STEPS

TACTICAL

TESTING

The new square

takes shape. In the

time frame of just

a few weeks, signs

street furniture and

plants are installed.

and the square is

brought to life

and markings are

redesigned, the



ANALYSES + DESIGN

The design stage begins with an analysis of pedestrian, cycling, and vehicular traffic flows, as well as urban design issues (presence of shade, noise, established uses etc.)



MONITORING

The use of the square is monitored, studying pedestrian, cycling, and vehicular traffic flows, and surveying users of the square.



PERMANENT DESIGN

The final design stage begins. The information and usage data gained from the testing and monitoring stages guides the design of the public space.



CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION

The project is implemented, using durable materials, and taking into consideration local environmental and historical aspects. The transformation process is complete.







Types of interventions



1. Creation of new squares and/or pedestrian areas through changes to the roadway network and street design, including limiting vehicular access to certain areas to create new public space.







2. Activation of underused and unequipped public spaces

furnishing, improving, and adding new functions with the aim of encouraging community spirit, as well as promoting cultural and group activities that can add value and life to that space.









3. Creation of cycle lanes

using prefabricated materials, signs and markings, to facilitate cycling in particular in 30km/h zones, oneway streets, and areas identified by the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP).

4. Extension and enhancement of pedestrian areas

through the measures, such as narrowing roadbeds, removing underused parking spaces, adopting traffic calming measures, creating more 30km/h zones, and redefining intersections to improve soft, pedestrian and bike mobility, in particular around schools and nurseries.



Participation and community engagement

Public spaces are key areas for community spirit and social inclusion. In addition to high-quality urban design, public spaces also need to be "activated" through programming and other efforts that respond to the needs of the people who experience them. The suitable design of spaces and the way they are equipped has a huge role to play in contributing to the development of inclusive public living, catering to all genders, ages and cultural backgrounds, and reinforcing community identity and cohesion.

Piazze Aperte aims to activate neighborhoods and develop activities and services for residents that involve regional networks and support citizens' organizations, paying particular attention to residents' quality of life. The Piazze Aperte program intends to encourage the active involvement of residents in sustainable and shared urban regeneration, creating a strong sense of belonging and new ways of expressing local community that lead to respect for the land and shared management.

The **"Collaboration Agreement"** is a written tool through which the City of Milan and its active residents define the aims, objectives and expected results of the **"Piazze Aperte"** program, as well as the organization of maintenance, shared management, and regeneration of communal spaces.

Through collaboration agreements, pursuant to the **Common Goods Regulations - Municipal regulations governing the participation of active citizens in care, management and regeneration of urban commons** - active citizens, informal groups, associations, educational institutions, committees, foundations, and companies promoting "corporate maintenance" can collaborate with the Administration to implement programs that address the management, maintenance, improvement, and activation of various forms of urban commons.



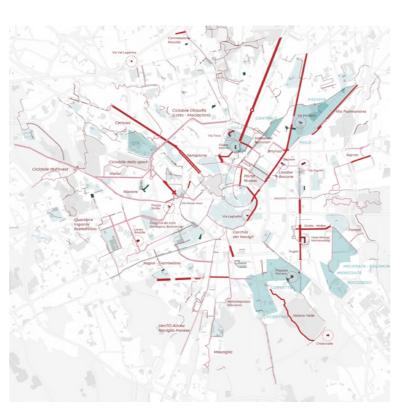


What else is going on in Milan

Strade Aperte

The COVID 19 health emergency offered an opportunity to make a decisive move towards the widespread use of bicycles, and all other forms of micro-mobility.

Since the Strade Aperte program began in April 2020, it has put in place a series of emergency cycling-related measures for post-pandemic mobility, consistent with the SUMP. Strade Aperte led to the creation of 68km of new cycle lanes over the two-year period of 2020-2021. The route along Corso Venezia, Corso Buenos Aires, Viale Monza was its first main pilot program, with peak numbers of 11,000 cyclists per day on Corso Buenos Aires.





Outdoor Dining

Thanks to the simplified procedure for Light and Temporary Public Land Occupations related to the COVID 19 health emergency, it was possible to expand the outdoor spaces used by commercial businesses, including by using parking zones and establishing new pedestrian areas.

Some of the streets in Milan, such as Via Varanini, Via delle Leghe, Via Volta, Via Santa Tecla, and Via Borsieri, to name just a few, have been completely transformed. The measures put in place have generally been accompanied by traffic calming measures, like 30km/h zones and residential areas with speed limits of 15km/h, to improve the safety of public spaces.







Projects summary

Piazza Dergano

Piazza Angilberto II

Piazza San Luigi



Piazza Dergano



Location

Piazza Dergano

Borough

9

Year of completion (tactical)

2018

Year of completion (final)

2021

Total area

700 m²

New Pedestrian Area

620 m²

Furniture

12 benches 2 picnic tables 2 ping-pong tables 25 planters 3 bike racks 1 BikeMI point

Community partners

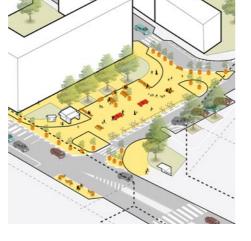
Retake Milano

Final design

MM spa



Piazza Dergano is a small square in the center of the neighborhood it is named after. Here, the sidewalk on the north side has been "extended" to create a new, colorful, pedestrian space in the center of the square, available to residents for events and local festivities. Previously occupied by a parking lot, the space has been redesigned to accommodate seating, ping-pong tables, new plants, and



bike share and bike parking. The street network has been streamlined, with the narrowing of stretches of roadbed along Via Conte Verde and Via Brivio by the square in order to reduce vehicle speeds and ensure the safe use of the new pedestrian area.

The square is now back to life, benefiting residents and businesses that overlook the space.











Piazza Angilberto II



Location

Piazza Angilberto II

Borough

4

Year of completion (tactical)

2018

Year of completion (final)

2022

Total area

1100 M²

New Pedestrian Area

900 m²

Furniture

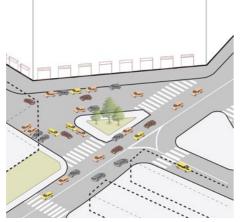
16 benches 2 ping-pong tables 45 planters 5 bike racks 1 BikeMI point

Community partners

Retake Milano

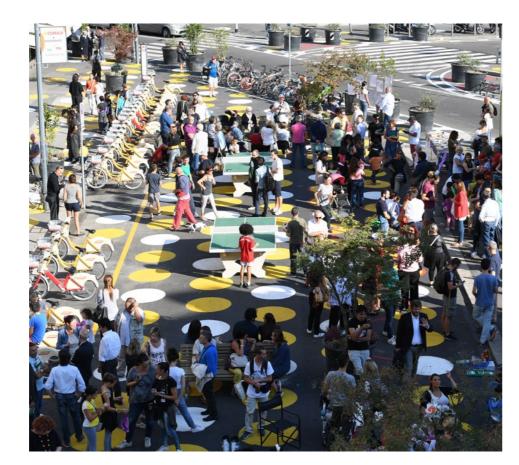
Final design

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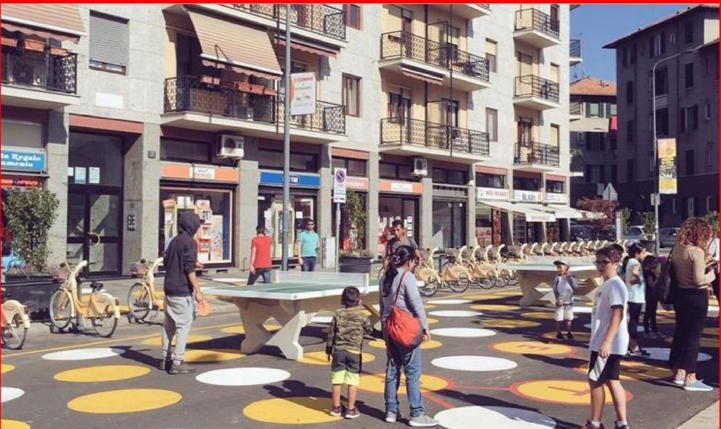


Piazza Angilberto II, formally an overbuilt, complex intersection, has been redesigned to create a new pedestrian area. By closing off a redundant stretch of the intersection to traffic, the sidewalks have been widened to accommodate new seating, ping-pong tables, new plants, and bike share and bike parking. Small commercial businesses directly overlook the new pedestrian and are therefore much more accessible. A new

contraflow cycle track has also been added to Via Comacchio that connects to Piazza Ferrara. The cycle lane has been created in the space between the curb of the sidewalk and the parking spaces, which now help protect cyclists from moving vehicles. The results show that, thanks to the new cycle lane, the number of cyclists has increased by 47%, while the number of pedestrians in the square has increased by 30%.











Piazza San Luigi



Location

Piazza San Luigi

Borough

4

Year of completion (tactical)

2018

Year of completion (final)

2021

Total area

1600 m²

New Pedestrian Area

900 m²

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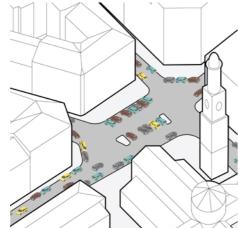
Genitori Antismog FIAB Ciclobby Onlus

Temporary design

Arch. Matteo Dondé

Final design

Municipality of Milan Technical and Urban Furniture Management Territorial Government, Furnishings and Urban Decor Department Architect: Franco Balbo Manager of the procedure: Arch. Loredana Brambilla



From May 10 to 13, 2018, Milan saw the first trials as part of: "TréntaMi: Zona 30." During the pilot, Via Scrivia was narrowed through the addition of angled parking, reducing vehicles speeds as they entered the square. The sidewalk along Via Tagliamento was also widened to create a chicane, further reducing speeds. In Piazza San Luigi, the creation of a central pedestrian area and the reduction of

the crosswalk length has improved the livability of the square.

"TréntaMi: Zona 30" is a collaboration between Genitori Antismog, together with FIAB Milano Ciclobby, architect and city planner Matteo Dondé, Confesercenti Milano, "Social Streets" of the Corvetto neighborhood, and the City of Milan.





final design

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Piazzale Stazione Genova

Piazza Alfieri

Piazzale Stazione Genova



Location

Piazzale Stazione Genova

Borough

6

Year of completion

2019

Total area

4000 m²

New Pedestrian Area

3000 m²

Furniture

30 benches 10 mobile tables 62 planters 13 bike racks

Community partners 2019

Retake Milano CBRE GWS Colorificio Sammarinese

Community partners 2020

Assoverde Nespoli Vivai Seminiamo



Just outside of the historic train station near the Navigli, the pedestrian areas of the heavily used square, between Via Ventimiglia and Via Barbavara, have increased from 1,200 to 4,000 m2 and now offer an improved experience, thanks to improved pedestrian circulation and the addition of benches, bike racks, and planters. The route from the exit of the green M2 metro stop to the BikiMi walkway was colored with white and blue stripes,

indicating the different directions to nearby places of interest. Private vehicles have been prevented from accessing the square from Via Vigevano, Corso Colombo and Via Valenza, while taxi stalls have been moved outside the pedestrian area, and the tram stop for line no. 2 and the bus route no. 74 have been redeveloped. In 2020, in a new phase of transformation, 30 new flower pots were added and the pavement was repainted.









Via Spoleto / via Venini



Location

Via Spoleto - Via Venini

Borough

2

Year of completion

2019

Total area

2500 m²

New Pedestrian Area

800 m²

Furniture

20 benches 2 tables 21 planters 9 bike racks

Community partners

Vestre Radio Nolo Associazione Genitori Ciresola Retake Milano



The transformation of the Spoleto/ Venini/Martiri Oscuri intersection was in no small part due to its unique structure: too large to be a simple intersection, but without a real pedestrian area to be considered a square. The redesign now provides Ciresola

elementary school with a true public space where the school, parents and children can form community bonds. The new street system also aims to move the

crossing traffic away from the residential center, making pedestrian travel easier and more pleasant. What's more, with a view to promoting cycle mobility, the measures put in place in Spoleto form part of the cycle route from Parco Trotter to the tunnel on Via Spoleto towards Via Gioia. To complete the new cycle network, a new parking protected cycle track has been created along Via Venini.









Piazza Belloveso



Location

Via Bauer, Piazza Belloveso

Borough

9

Year of completion

2019

- -
- Total area

3400 m²

New Pedestrian Area

1200 m²

Furniture

13 benches 4 picnic tables 2 ping-pong tables 4 bike racks

Community partners

Colorificio Sammarinese Associazione Ascoart Niguarda VAS Verdi Ambiente e Società Onlus Associazione Qui Niguarda

Final design

Municipality of Milan Technical and Urban Furniture Management Territorial Government, Furnishings and Urban Decor Department Architect: Franco Balbo Manager of the procedure: Arch. Loredana Brambilla



Piazza Belloveso, near the center of Niguarda, features a green space with a play area, serving as a gathering place for children who attend the Vittorio Locchi elementary school, as well as the Church of San Martino churchyard, and the nearby neighborhood library. The Piazza Aperte project connects all these areas with a new colorful and wellequipped pedestrian area, in a space

that had previously accommodated

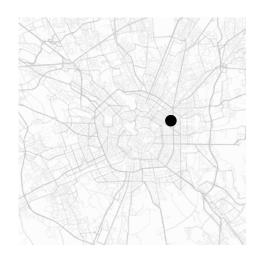
traffic and unregulated parking. Now, children and residents can rest on the benches, study at the tables, play ping-pong in the green space, organize events, and enjoy a true communal space worthy of being the focal point of the neighborhood. The project is now due to undergo a permanent transformation that has already been presented to the community and is under construction.







Piazzale Lavater



Location

Piazzale Lavater

Borough

2

Year of completion

2019

Total area

1300 m²

New Pedestrian Area

350 m²

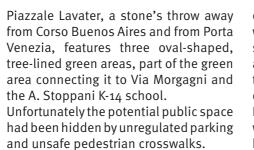
Furniture

9 benches 5 bike racks

Final design

Municipality of Milan Technical and Urban Furniture Management Territorial Government, Furnishings and Urban Decor Department Architect: Franco Balbo Manager of the procedure: Arch. Loredana Brambilla





The Piazze Aperte projectintervention was designed to offer citizens a space

equipped with benches and bike racks, where children can experience the space in front of the elementary school, and where they can safety access the school building thanks to a new crosswalk at the intersection with Via Ramazzini. The capital transformation work is already underway and is due to be completed in 2022.





Via Rovereto / via Giacosa



Location

Via Rovereto - Esedra Parco Trotter

Borough

2

Year of completion

2019

Total area

3000 m²

New Pedestrian Area

800 m²

Furniture

6 benches 4 picnic tables

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Temporary design

Arch. Matteo Dondé

In collaboration with

NoLo Social District Progetto Mobì activists

Final design

Municipality of Milan Mobility and Transport Management Mobility Infrastructure Technical Area Architect: Ing. Marcello Oneta Manager of the procedure: Arch. Lorenzo Giorgio



#TréntaMI in Verde is a bottom-up 30km/h zone trial carried out in collaboration with the City of Milan that aims to improve the safety and experience of Via Rovereto and the crosswalk on Via Giacosa towards Parco Trotter, creating a connection between the park and the neighborhood.

A 30km/h area is a simple, efficient, and low-cost tactical urbanism measure to improve the experience of the street



for all users (car drivers, pedestrians, cyclists, etc). The street becomes more than just a thruway, but rather a space for the inter-relation of a variety of users and functions.

Since the interim transformation, the capital construction has started in recent months, with new plants, new furniture, and a resurfaced roadway due for completion in 2022.









Location

Via S. Rita da Cascia

Borough

6

Year of completion

2019

Total area

1200 m²

New Pedestrian Area

500 m²

Furniture

14 benches 3 planters 4 bike racks

Community partners

Parrocchia Santa Rita da Cascia

Pavement design

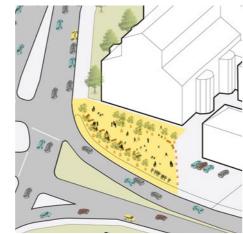
Arch. Sylvia Colombini



The space opposite the Shrine of St. Rita of Cascia, at the intersection between Santa Rita da Cascia and Via Walter Tobagi, has always been used as a parking lot.

This hindered residents' and worshipers' ability to use the Shrine, as well as marring the view of the facade of the religious building.

With the aim of creating a public space for the neighborhood, the parking lot



was scaled back, opening up the view of the facade and entrance to the church. In its place, potted plants and benches were installed.

The pavements has been decorated with children's games and colors and the space now welcomes lots of residents and is used for various events, including non-religious ones. The project also includes new bike racks, promoting active mobility.





Location Piazza Gasparri

Borough

9

Year of completion

2019

Total area

3500 m²

New Pedestrian Area

2500 m²

Furniture

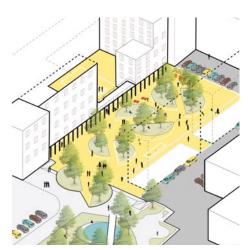
10 benches 1 petanque field 2 ping-pong tables 2 new tree plantings

Community partners

Comitato Comasina C'entro CARIMATI S.r.l PPg Italia Sales & Services Piazza Gasparri was originally a plaza between two residential buildings with a portico on the ground floor. For a long time, despite it being close to the local elementary school, multiple businesses and various neighborhood associations, the square was used only as a space for unregulated parking. Thanks to the "Vicini in Piazza" ("Neighbors in the Square") program, the community has reclaimed the







space, installing new furniture, as well as a cycle lane designed for training children to ride a bike around the edge of the plaza.

The project succeeded not only in rejuvenating the central space of the pedestrian area and the two porticoes, but also in making the area where children enter and leave the school safer.







Location

Via Guido Reni

Borough

3

Year of completion

2019

Total area

600 m²

New Pedestrian Area

350 m²

Furniture

3 benches 3 planters

Community partners

Apicultura studio Apartment building, Piazza Guardi, 11 Elementary school, Via Guido Reni, 1

Pavement design

Apicultura studio



In 2018, the City of Milan closed to vehicular traffic a part of Via Guido Reni outside of the elementary school, to provide an outdoor public space for children and families to use after lessons and after school hours. The City, together with community organizations and the school, decided

to enhance the space and make it more welcoming for children.

The pavement has been colored with

a design based on simple shapes and bold colors, creating three clear main children's play areas. The choice of games to include within the design was made through workshops held with the true users of the space - the children by recreating the design in a classroom environment and letting the children play, observing their reactions and

taking note of their preferences.





Location

Piazzale della Cooperazione

Borough

7

Year of completion

2019

Total area

2500 m²

Furniture

4 benches 2 picnic tables 2 ping-pong tables 1 vegetable box

Community partners

Consorzio Cooperative Lavoratori

Pavement design

SdArch







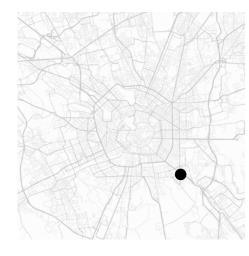
by the Consorzio Cooperative Lavoratori,



open to designers, illustrators, graphic designers, and artists. The program has regenerated the plaza, which today features a weekly market, with the aim of enhancing the existing social housing project, and encouraging livability and social inclusion in an active neighborhood. The associations and local businesses will also benefit from the space through expanded community activities.



Piazzale Corvetto



Location Piazzale Corvetto

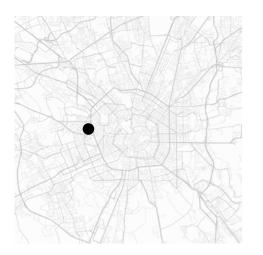
Borough 4

Year of completion 2019

Community partners

Giacomo sarasso Cittadino attivo | Vladimir Ricalde | Collettivo Architetti PR5 Studio | Collettivo Architetti Studio Pasta Madre

via Abbiati



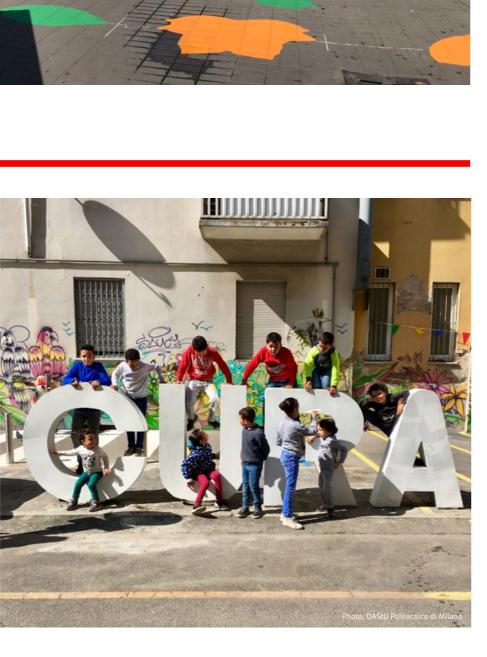
Location Via Abbiati

Borough 7

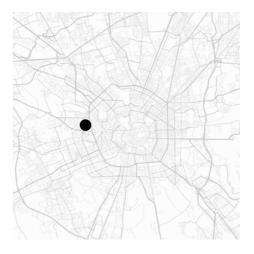
Year of completion 2019

Community partners

Alfabeti Onlus | Genera Società Cooperativa Sociale Onlus | Associazione Culturale Imby | Mapping San Siro | Associazione Culturale Temporiuso.net



Via Gigante



Location Via Gigante

Borough 7

Location Via Abbiati

Borough

Year of completion

Pavement design

Repubblica del Design

7

2019

Year of completion 2019

Community partners DAStU Politecnico Milano | Alfabeti Onlus | Coop. Comunità Progetto | Ass. FARE ASSIEME | GENERA Soc. Coop. Sociale Onlus | Ass. Legambici | Ass. Mamme a scuola | Ass. Sheb Sheb | Coop. Sociale Tuttinsieme | Ass. Zuccheribelli Onlus | Commissione Intercultura Istituto Cadorna

Piazza Alfieri









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Piazza Sicilia Piazza Minniti Largo Balestra Via Pacini Piazzale Tripoli Via Monte Velino Via Laghetto Via Toce **Piazzale Fabio Chiesa** Via Val Lagarina Via Pontano **Piazzale Tirana** Piazzetta Capuana **Piazzale Ferrara Piazzale Loreto** Viale Monte Ceneri Via Quarti Via Pacinotti



Piazza Sicilia



Location

Via Sacco, Piazza Sicilia - MIlano

Borough

7

Year of completion

2020

Total area

2500 m²

New Pedestrian Area

1500 m²

Furniture

21 benches 3 picnic tables 2 ping-pong tables 15 planters 6 bike racks

Community partners

K-14 school "Umberto Eco" Siram Veolia Crédite Agricole Associazione Spazio Capoeira Desequilibrio Associazione Metiss'art Associazione Walter Vinci Onlus Associazione Teatro Quattro Ass. Scolastica Genitori Scuola Primaria Piazza Sicilia Ass. Scolastica Genitori Monteverdi



Piazza Sicilia is a new social space in front of the school IC Umberto Eco. The needs of local children guided the development of the program, which focused on two key areas of transformation. The first measure involved completely remodeling the area in front of the school in Piazza Sicilia, pedestrianizing it and installing benches, potted trees, ping-pong tables and picnic tables. The second



pedestrian route between the school entrances on Via Sacco and Via Seprio. The intersection was also made smaller, shortening crosswalks and widening pedestrian space for parents. The new "open" Piazza Sicilia now connects the school, the local neighborhood library, and the park, which used to be cut off by excess traffic.











Location

Piazza Minniti, Via Garigliano

Borough

9

Year of completion

2020

Total area

1500 m²

New Pedestrian Area

1200 m²

Furniture

6 benches

In collaboration with

CLEAR - City LivEAbility by Redesign, financed by EIT (European Institute for Innovation and Technology) Urban Mobility

Pavement design

Camilla Falsini + Jungle



Piazza Minniti has been transformed into a new social space in the heart of Isola.

The project has redesigned the plaza, moving the parking area to the edge and creating a new central pedestrian area. A cycle lane has also been added along Via Garigliano to improve connections with Piazzale Lagosta.

Because area hosts the weekly market, most street furniture was prohibited,



but the new benches under the trees bring a sense of harmony and liveliness to the central open space that can accommodate formal and informal activities. The project also improved the safety of the intersections bordering the plaza, reducing distances and increasing visibility for pedestrians.









<u>Via Pacini</u>



Location

Via Giambellino, Largo Balestra

Borough

6

Year of completion

2020

Total area

580 m²

Furniture

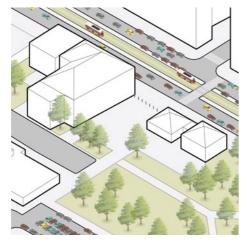
6 Modello Milano benches 2 ping-pong tables 6 planters

Community partners

Fate Largo

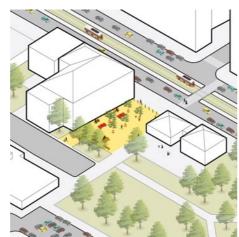
Pavement design

Needle_agopuntura urbana



Largo Balestra is one of those pedestrian areas with great potential that is often overlooked: full of activities to attract the public, and directly connected to a green space. The Fate Largo association has been

using it as a stage for its initiatives for some time now. The new Piazza Aperta was born out of the organization of all the different functions of this area, finally bringing out its beautiful side.



The entrance to Via Giambellino is now ringed by potted treas that invite people to enter the new urban living room, with ping-pong tables and benches for spectators and for those who want to enjoy the new space and the events organized by local associations.

A capital project that will further transform the plaza is currently underway..







Location

Via Pacini, Via Bazzini

Borough

3

Year of completion

2020

Total area

600 m²

New Pedestrian Area

300 m²

Furniture

16 benches 2 picnic tables 6 bike racks

Community partners

Apicultura Retake Milano

Pavement design

Apicultura

The Via Pacini project redesigned the promenade and the intersection with Via Bazzini to better serve pedestrians and the neighborhood at large. The area features many businesses and the Piola Metro exit, and many students often pass through due to its close proximity to the university campus. The project redefined the promenade as a social space, adding to the existing furniture new picnic tables, benches, and bike





racks and converting this formerly unregulated parking lot into a true public space. The Bazzini intersection has also been remodeled, creating two pedestrian areas with seating and bike racks with shortened crosswalks and new protective curbs.





Piazzale Tripoli

Via Monte Velino



Location

Via Zanzur, Piazzale Tripoli

Borough

Year of completion

2020

Total area

1400 m²

New Pedestrian Area

1400 m²

Furniture

12 benches 4 picnic tables 2 ping-pong tables 6 planters 7 garden boxes 1 bike rack

Community partners

Social Street "Tripoli talks"

Pavement design

SMOE + Artkademy



Piazzale Tripoli is a large and wellequipped green space bisected by city streets. Previously, one of these streets hosted neighborhood children with inflatable attractions and games for a few months a year, but for the remaining months it was used for street level parking. Now, the area is has been resurfaced and completely pedestrianized, with a new artwork, dedicated to Gianni Rodari, that adds color, and gives life to the space.



There are also new benches that allow residents to enjoy this vibrant street mural while surrounded by greenery, as well as picnic tables by the adjacent flower beds, offering pedestrians an opportunity to rest under the trees and truly take in the experience of the square. Since its transformation, the whole community has been enjoying the space, which is inviting and fun all year round.





Viale Molise, Via Monte Velino

Borough 4

Year of completion

2020

Total area

1400 m²

New Pedestrian Area

600 m²

Furniture

14 benches 2 ping-pong tables 5 planters 3 bike racks

Community partners

Istituto Comprensivo Tommaso Grossi InGROSSIamoci Cooperativa Sociale Comunità Progetto Associazione Luisa Berardi Retake Milano Snam

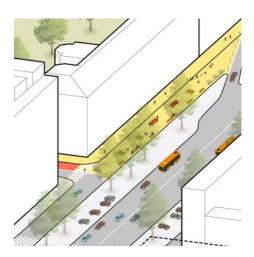
The new Monte Velino public space has been created near the Tommaso Grossi

K-14 school. The program was guided by the proximity of the school, aiming to create of a space where children can play and socialize, and improve pedestrian

access to the area at the same time. The project redesigned the footpath along Viale Molise, creating of a pedestrian area with benches, ping-pong tables,



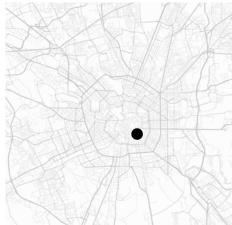




and potted trees, freeing the central tree-lined promenade from unregulated parking and combining them into a a single public space. The new features continue along Via Monte Velino with the creation of a cycle lane protected by parked cars, which connects the various school buildings and improves connections with nearby green spaces.







Location

Via Laghetto

Borough

1

Year of completion

2020

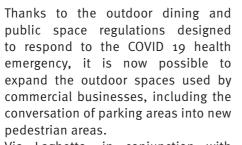
Total area

700 m²

New Pedestrian Area

450 m²





Via Laghetto, in conjunction with a similar program in the adjacent Piazza Santo Stefano, is completely

transformed from 10 parking bays into a fully fledged plaza.

The project also includes the pedestrianization of the stretch of street in front of the Santo Stefano churchyard (in anticipation of future permanent plans) and space for the outdoor pop-up businesses along Via Laghetto, which end in the new plaza at the intersection with Via della Signora.





Location

Via Toce, Via Cusio, Via Boltraffio

Borough

9

Year of completion

2020

Total area

1400 m²

New Pedestrian Area

1000 m²

Furniture

10 benches 4 ping-pong tables 2 picnic tables 8 bike racks

Community partners

Repubblica del Design Comitato di quartiere Isola Associazione Genitori Confalonieri Associazione Genitori Govone Comieco Ideas Bit Factory

Pavement design

Repubblica del Design

The Via Toce project consists of partly pedestrianizing the street, near two existing parks: Giardino Santa Maria alla Fontana and Giardino Bruno Munari. The aim is to connect the two green spaces, while the proximity to the local day care inspired the creation of a play and social space for children and parents.

In particular, the area between Via Cusio and the school building has







been pedestrianized and furnished with picnic tables, ping-pong tables, benches, and bike racks. The measures also extend along Via Cusio, where a new contraflow cycle lane has been created to connect the new area with Piazza Spotorno.

The program is capped off by the extension of the pedestrian area and new crosswalks at the Via Alserio and Via Boltraffio intersection.





Piazzale Fabio Chiesa

Via Val Lagarina



Location

Piazzale Fabio Chiesa

Borough

5

Year of completion

2020

Total area

3500 m²

Furniture

20 benches 40 planters 10 garden boxes

Community partners

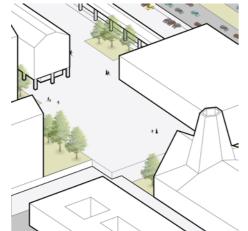
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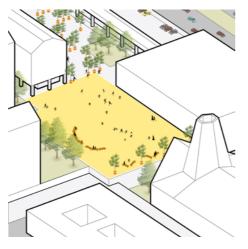
Direzione Città Resilienti Towards climate-proof living landscapes

Pavement design

Gayarama, Nina Bassoli, Maria Spazzi



For over a decade, La Piana has hosted events promoted by local associations, street art projects, and activation supported by local residents. An elevated pedestrian area, La Piana is part of a multi-functional complex from the 1970s that houses several organizations, including the Teatro Railhiera, managed from 2007 to 2017 by the Atir theater company and closed in recent years due to renovation work.



In the new plaza there is a space with a large, colorful asphalt surface, as well as street furniture and planting boxes. What's more, almost fifty new potted plants have been added, each with different fragrances, to increase comfort and enhance the possibilities of use.

Atir theater company now uses the new square for performances, representations and public events.





Location Via Val Lagarina Borough

8

Year of completion

2020

Total area

800 m²

New Pedestrian Area

650 m²

Furniture

8 garden boxes 5 planters

Community partners

Elementary school "Via Val Lagarina" Vill@perta WAU! Milano Serena Confalonieri

Pavement design

Serena Confalonieri

The measures put in place along Via Val Lagarina is part of a series of Piazze Aperte initiatives involving schools and nearby public spaces. In this case, a parking lot near the school entrance on Via Val Lagarina has been transformed into a new green plaza with 5 potted plants and 8 garden boxes.

The project design combines play and education, visually dividing up the







600 m² area into a square grid, like the graph paper in workbooks.

This grid has been decorated with primary colors and geometric shapes, like the ones children learn and draw at school in their workbooks.

The project also included the streamlining and creation of new parking spots on nearby streets to retain critical access to the school.





Location

Via Pontano, Via Morandi

Borough

2

Year of completion

2020

Total area

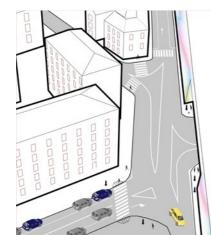
4000 m²

New Pedestrian Area

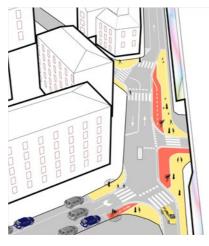
400 m²

Community partners

Associazione T12-Lab Cooperativa Sociale Comin **B-CAM** Cooperativa Sociale ComunicareArte Atelier Spazio Xpò MM Metropolitana Milanese Progetto Mobì



Measures put in place at Pontano/ Morandi include the broader activation of the railroad viaduct from Via Padova to Viale Monza. After the addition of the walls in Free Walls mural project in 2019, the tactical roadway intervention this year focuses on the Pontano/Morandi/Pimentel/Russo intersection with the aim of creating a connected cycle route along Piazza del Government Provisional at Parco



Trotter and Via Rovereto, the location of another measure aimed at promoting sustainable mobility.

Pedestrian access along the railway will also be made easier along the stretch from Via Morandi to Viale Monza, with the addition of new sidewalk space. The measure is part of the larger plan for Tunnel Boulevard, which aims to transform the area into an openair museum.





Location

Piazzale Tirana

Borough

6

Year of completion

2020

Total area

1700 m²

Furniture

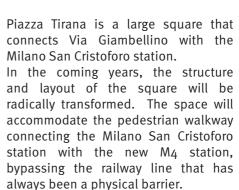
2 benches 2 picnic tables 2 ping-pong tables 1 petanque field

Community partners

Nuova Acropoli WAU! Milano

Pavement design

G4 Italy/architecture









In anticipation of its permanent transformation, the local associations have decided to take part in an activation process, promoting the addition of new furniture throughout the square. What's more, the pavement has been painted in different colors, with the addition of new floor games, enhancing the visual impact of the square and the connection to the station.



Piazzetta Capuana

Piazzale Ferrara



Location

Via Luigi Capuana

Borough

8

Year of completion

2020

Total area

2500 m²

Furniture

1 ping-pong table 2 neighborhood notice boards 10 planters 2 bike racks

Community partners

Acli Milanesi Associazione Errante Circolo Arci Itaca Auser 20 Milano SPI CGIL Sempione – Quarto Oggiaro



Piazzetta Capuana is a large pedestrian area in the heart of Quarto Oggiaro. Over the past few years, the space has been renovated, with new asphalt and improved organization of the green areas. The porticoes that line the public space

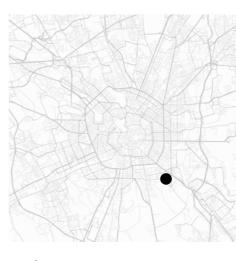
accommodate various organizations and activities. As part of the suggestions regarding the public call "Piazze Aperte in ogni quartiere", locals demonstrated



a desire to activate the space with a series of social events, requesting the installation of new furniture and potted plants.

The new greenery lines the central space, adding a new green area to the pedestrian area. Activities in the square are also now promoted on the new neighborhood notice boards included in the project.





Location

Piazzale Ferrara

Borough

7

Year of completion

2020

Total area

4400 m²

New pedestrian areas

940 m²

Furniture

16 benches 2 picnic tables 7 planters 5 bike racks

Community partners

MadeInCorvetto project group: (Associazione Culturale Terzo Paesaggio; Coop. La Strada; Milano Bicycle Coalition) Fondazione SNAM APS Casa per la Pace Milano

With support from

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Pavement design

Terzo Paesaggio

Piazzale Ferrara is the heart of the Corvetto neighborhood, with the historic weekly market located in the center of a spacious square. For years, thanks to the assistance of local associations and residents, the area has hosted social programming, recognizing its significance and potential as a neighborhood gathering place. The new measures put in place give this space back to pedestrians by furnishing and expanding the pedestrian area





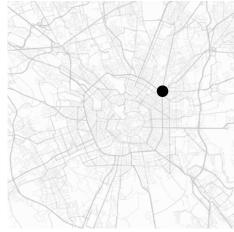


in the square. On the north side, a new cycle lane along Via Comacchio has reconnected the market with Via Mincio, continuing along Via Polesine. The previously wide and redundant intersection has been redesigned, and is now characterized by a series of shorter and more functional pedestrian and cycle crosswalks that are used by a growing number of people looking to access the market.





Piazzale Loreto



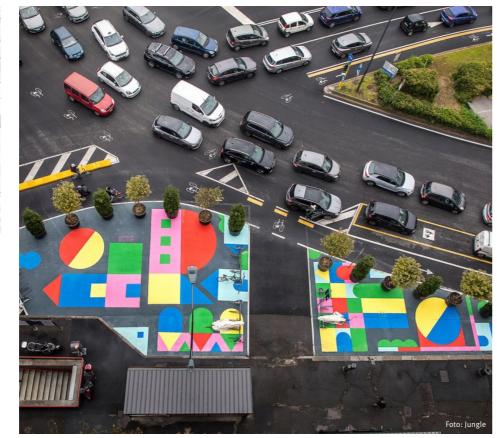
Location Piazzale Loreto

Borough 2

Year of completion 2020

in collaboration with CLEAR | EIT Urban Mobility

Pavement design Camilla Falsini + Jungle



Viale Monte Ceneri



Location Viale Monte Ceneri

Borough 8

Year of completion 2020-2021

Project Unpark

in collaboration with Furnish EIT Urban Mobility | Polisocial Award



Via Quarti



Location Via Quarti

Borough

Year of completion 2020

Community partners DAStU Politecnico Milano Cooperativa Comunità Progetto Cooperativa Sociale Tuttinsieme

Via Pacinotti



Location via Pacinotti

Borough 8

Year of completion







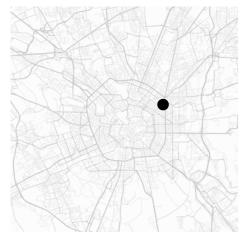
Via De Nora

Via Saponaro

Piazzale Bacone

Piazzetta Santi Patroni d'Italia

Piazzale Bacone



Location

Piazzale Bacone

Borough

3

Year of completion

2021

Total area

5000 m²

New Pedestrian Area

1185 m²

Furniture

14 benches 3 picnic tables 1 ping-pong tables 24 planters 8 bike racks

Community partners

APS Non Riservato APS I Baconiani Comitato Genitori "Santa Caterina" WinWin Office Studio Hypnos





Born from a proposal made by a large group of local associations and supported by many local business owners, the "tactical" intervention in Piazzale Bacone offers new spaces for socializing and makes it safer for both the students exiting the school and waiting parents. From the street design perspective, Via Spontini has been made one-way to eastbound, while the roadways in Piazzale Bacone has been

narrowed to create a new pedestrian space near the school. The intervention also includes a bike path on Via Morgagni-Matteucci, while pedestrian widenings at the corners of the square facilitate the use of commercial spaces. The street furniture helps to define the perimeter of the new pedestrian area and offers citizens the opportunity to stop and enjoy the new public space.

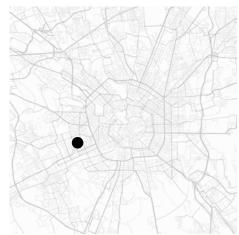








Piazzetta Santi Patroni d'Italia



Location

Piazzetta Santi Patroni d'Italia

Borough

6

Year of completion

2021

Total area

1000 M²

New Pedestrian Area

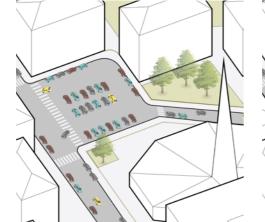
550 m²

Furniture

9 benches 2 picnic tables 2 ping-pong tables 12 planters 2 bike racks

Community partners

Starbucks Italy srl WAU - We Are Urban active citizens



Piazzale Santi Patroni d'Italia is located in Arzaga, a western district of Milan, and has been used for many years as a parking lot. With the new configuration, the western sidewalk has been extended from the churchyard, creating a new pedestrian space. Vehicle travel towards Via Rosa Vergani Marelli has been retained, while the parking has been incorporated into the new design. Finally, the public space has been

equipped with seats, tables, racks and sports equipment. Great care has been given to the positioning of potted plants, to ensure adequate shading of the seats in the summer months. This intervention brings a public space back to its neighborhood, for the benefit of the visitors and citizens who live there.







Piazza Torri Bianche



Location via Saponaro, Gratosoglio

Borough 5

Year of completion 2021



Via De Nora



Location via De Nora

Borough 3

Year of completion 2021

Community partners Industrie De Nora WAU - We Are Urban Associazione Ortica Memoria

