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1 MITIGATING DISASTERS

ICMA has received new funding that brings the organization's substantial expertise in emergency management and disaster mitigation to flood-prone communities in Guatemala.

► <http://www.icma.org/guatemala>



2 Progress in 21 Steps

As its improvements have ranged from stabilizing neighborhoods with high foreclosure rates to luring

Los Angeles filmmakers into town, the city of Santa Clarita, California, has created a diverse yet concise Business Plan for Progress. Visit the Resource Center to see which of Santa Clarita's ideas are relevant to your jurisdiction's economic goals.

► <http://icma.org/santaclarita>



4 Encouraging a Healthy Community

Lower prices for fruits and vegetables in school cafeterias, support for breastfeeding, and funding for bicycling infrastructure all positively affect community health. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has released policy guidelines on these and other topics that help local governments address epidemic obesity.

► <http://icma.org/epidemicobesity>

3 EXPLAINING QUALITY OF LIFE PERCEPTIONS

The National Citizen Survey is helping governments understand what makes residents enjoy living in their neighborhoods. Survey results show that in communities with roughly the same aggregate income and other amenities, good or bad local service delivery makes a difference in how people view the quality of life in their community.

► icma.org/residentquality