

#### Reallocating road space for people in Brazilian cities

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#### Focusing on people rather than cars

Brazilian cities: Pedestrians: 39% trips Cars: 26% trips ~70-90% street surface

30.000+ road traffic deaths /year in Brazil

Sources: Datasus & ANTP (2018)

São Paulo



### The need for URGENT CHANGE is clear, but changes to road design still face a lot of **RESISTANCE.**



# So, how do we manage to reallocate road space for PEOPLE?



#### Let's talk about strategies

#### **Best scenario**

• Political will + planning and implementation capacity

#### Real life most of the time

- Seize opportunities!
- Advocate / build local government support;
  - Use data to demonstrate demand/impact
- Raise public awareness.

#### Tactical urbanism

and other temporary interventions can be useful tools.



#### What is tactical urbanism?

#### Short-term action >>> long-term change

- It makes street transformation more tangible;
- It works as capacity building tool;
- Low cost and replicable interventions;
- It allows for testing and adjustments before major investments;
- It works as catalizer of long term change.

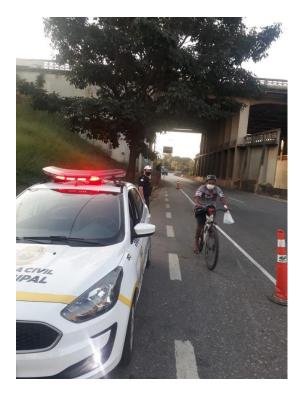


## Seizing opportunities in Brazilian cities



#### Transforming streets as Covid response

#### Cycling lanes in Belo Horizonte









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#### Sidewalk extensions in Campo Grande



Image: Translab.urb

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#### Transit mall in downtown Rio de Janeiro

#### **Rio Branco Avenue transformation (2015-2016)**



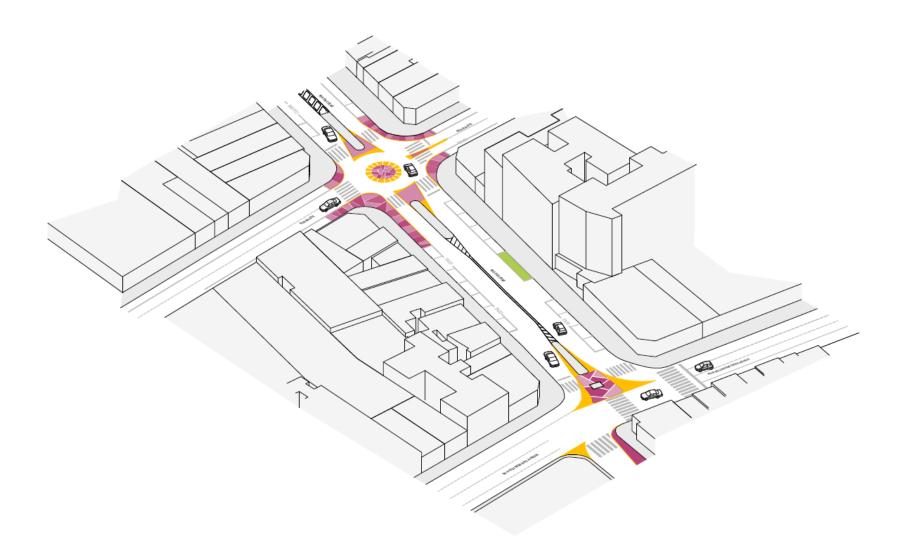
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# Building local government support & demonstrating impact through data collection









#### (RE)PENSANDO A RUA EM SANTANA

Você já pensou em como as ruas de Santana poderiam ser mais seguras? Ou se as ruas fossem pensadas, não só para os carros, mas também para as pessoas? Venha conversar conosco sobre o desenho das ruas e segurança viária em Santana! **Participe**!



#### OFICINA E DISCUSSÃO DE IDEIAS quinta-feira, 24 de agosto das 9h00 às 12h00 e das 18h30 às 21h30 Avditório da Profesirura Beningal Santana/Turcunari

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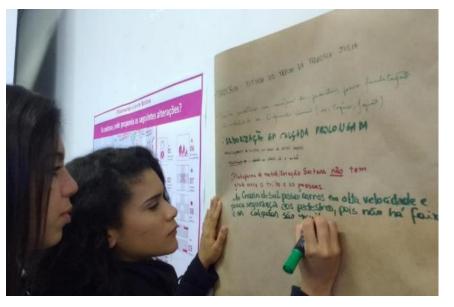


#### INTERVENÇÃO URBANA TEMPORÁRIA sábado, 16 de setembro local a ser divulgado

Para maiores informações acesse: http://itdpbrasil.org.br/bienal-santana



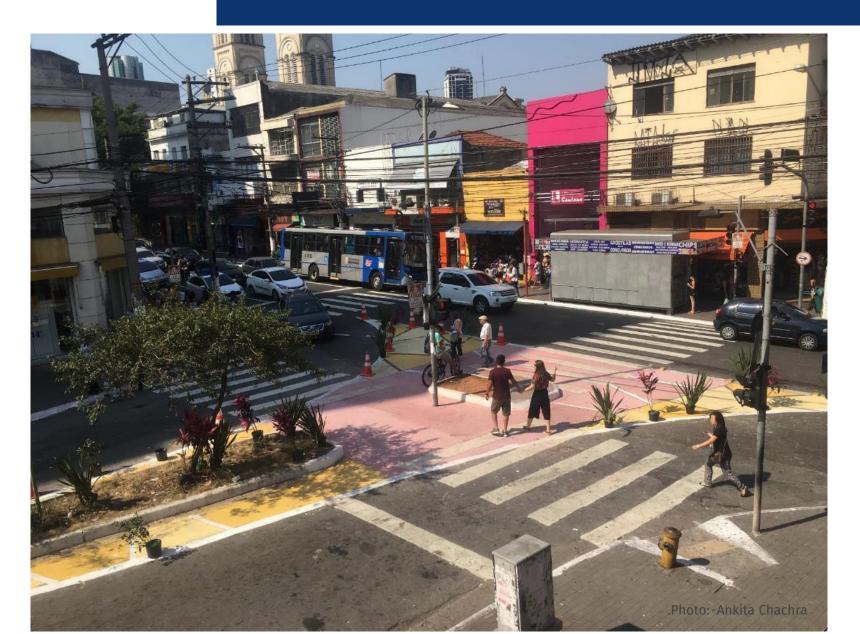






1-day pop up Leadership: ITDP, BIGRS, NACTO-GDCI, WRI Partnership: City of São Paulo











Intervenção urbana temporária (Re)pensando a rua em Santana Relatório de Atividade Março de 2018

Pop-up intervention process and results report contributed to replication.

#### Data collected during pop-up intervention



street

design

82% wanted it

permanent

**75%** increase in safe crossings (by pedestrians)

**40%** increase in yielding (from 12% to 19%)

Dr. César and Salete streets intersection

#### Data collected after permanent implementation



89% pedestrians72,5% driversfeel safer at the intersection after the redesign



**32%** Average speed reduction at the intersection





Before

Pop-up intervention (Sep 2017) Permanent implementation (Jun 2018)



#### Permanent implementation





# Raise awareness & demonstrate



89% would like it to be permanent 3-day pop-up Partnership ITDP and City of Belo Horizonte Support: community organizations













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#### **MINAS GERAIS**

#### BHTrans testa rua com velocidade máxima de 30 km/h que prioriza pedestres

Projeto 'piloto' será implantado na Rua Simão Tamm, no bairro Cachoeirinha neste fim de semana.

#### BHTrans começa teste com Zona 30 no bairro Cachoeirinha, em BH

Projeto prevê velocidade máxima dos veículos em 30km/h para priorizar os pedestres, ciclistas e quem tem mobilidade reduzida, como idosos





Simão Tamm, no bairro Cachoeirinha, neste fim de semana — Foto:





- 31% average speed reduction
- Bus shelter installed
- Vertical signage with new speed limit





#### 2019 – Confisco, Belo Horizonte





#### 2021 - Downtown, Belo Horizonte









#### **Lessons learned**

- Tactical urbanism initiatives and other temporary transformations can be efficient tools to raise awareness about road space reallocation and its impact on quality of life, even if permanent implementation takes long;
  - They help disseminate concepts to technical staff, decision makers and communities alike, inciting parallel processes;
  - They should be seen as recurring street design tools and not as single events;

#### Permanent implementation is still a challenge in Brazil;

- Data and surveys are important, but political will is also crucial;
- Find champions who help you maintain community and public servants engagement after the pop-up;
- Keep an eye open for implementation opportunities: can it be included at any ongoing or new contract?
- Final implementation design needs improvement; that should be our next step.
- Build local connections and institutional arrangements to ensure long-term maintenance.



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