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Dear Readers,

What Can You Do Project continues informing people around the Globe about the Sustainable Development Goals and the latest news relevant to these.

We strive to encourage as many people as possible to join us in taking action at a personal level and in helping us mobilise others around the world. Please help us by sharing this information with at least 2 others and supporting our initiative. The more support we get – the more chances we have to make a change to this world!

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Thank you!

Facts of the Week

In this issue we would like to inform you about Sustainable cities



- **LA** is focused on becoming a sustainable city by improving water quality, pollution and air quality. Although the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power has said that within five to eight years the plumes will become so dense that the groundwater wells will likely shut down unless a solution is found, LA will have successfully decreased water usage by 25 percent by early next year.
- **Shanghai** aims to become one of the most sustainable cities in China. With urban regeneration and innovation hubs, Shanghai is marketing itself as a centre for knowledge, technology and innovation. 13 of the city's 25 metro lines are completed and operational.
- **Zurich** Offers a Work-Life Balance The quality of life in Zurich is high, comparing to other countries. The education, employment and health index are all high. Large and small businesses and industries contribute to a thriving economy where high productivity levels and low non-wage labour costs make production costs lower than in competing countries.

Source: <https://dispatchweekly.com/2016/09/13-facts-top-25-sustainable-cities-world/>

Interesting topics

- A single piece of plastic can kill sea turtles, [study](#) says.
- Cocopallet: an eco-friendly alternative to wooden shipping pallets. Read [more](#).
- Cleanup Day is Saturday around the world: here's how to help. Find out [here](#).
- “Not doing anything is no longer acceptable”: a conversation with Alice Thomas, climate refugee expert. Follow the link to read full version of the [article](#).
- Forests are the forgotten climate solution, [Experts say](#).
- Radioactive traces from Fukushima have been found in wine all the way in California. Read [more](#).
- Japan says it's time to allow sustainable whaling. Find out more from the [source](#).
- How to eat well – and save the Planet. Read [here](#).

Did you know that:

- 97% of low-income students rely on school for internet access, but 40 million students do not have high-speed Internet in school.
- If the 1.3 million dropouts from the Class of 2010 had graduated, the nation would have seen \$337 billion more in earnings over the course of the students' lifetimes.
- 1.3 million high school students don't graduate on time yearly. States with highest rates (80-89%) are Wisconsin, Iowa, Vermont, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. States with lowest (less than 60%) are Nevada, New Mexico, Louisiana, Georgia and S. Carolina.

Source: <https://www.dosomething.org/us/facts/11-facts-about-education-america>

#Sustainable #living

Quote of the Week:

" Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world"

Nelson Mandela



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