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# Smart Cities Now

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## Wait... carbon dioxide could be GOOD for cities? (GE has an idea)

As far as cities go, carbon dioxide is supposed to be the enemy — it's the reason for increasingly difficult renewable energy targets. But GE has found a way to turn it into something that could more efficiently power dense city blocks. Find out how.

## Compassionate Cities

### New IBM grant program will use tech to solve public health challenges

Cities and other organizations are invited to propose public health projects for IBM's health and technology experts to solve. Up to five winners will be chosen later this year for pro bono engagements with an estimated value of \$500,000 each. Deadline is April 20; click for details on how to apply.

### Emulate India? They just got \$100 million from Cisco

Cisco, a long-time investor in India, will spend an additional \$100 million to support the country's move toward digitization and smart cities. The money will be invested in early-stage tech startups, innovation labs -- and a greatly expanded training and education program to ensure the country has the skilled tech professionals it needs.

### Why self-driving trucks will help solve urban traffic problems

Connected self-driving cars are getting a lot of attention from cities looking for ways to increase traffic safety and reduce traffic jams and congestion. After a successful road test in live traffic, Daimler believes its sensor-laden Internet-connected trucks will be part of the solution too. Read the story to learn more.

### How tech is streamlining microloans to support low-income borrowers

Connecting India to Disconnect Poverty is a project using 3G tablets and an innovative mobile application to improve the operational efficiency of microfinance institutions to support low-income borrowers. Click to read more about it in a Qualcomm Wireless Reach case study.

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## UPCOMING SMART CITY EVENTS

**3.29: ETS16 (Energy Thought Summit) - Austin, Texas**

**3.29: Smart City Tech Summit - Kansas City, Missouri**

**4.11: Arab Future Cities Summit - Doha, Qatar**

**4.22: India IoT Symposium - Mumbai, India**

**4.23: 5th International Conference on Smart Cities and Green ICT Systems - Rome**

**9.27: Smart Cities Week - Washington, D.C.**

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