

Cities Support Programme

Leadership in Local Government

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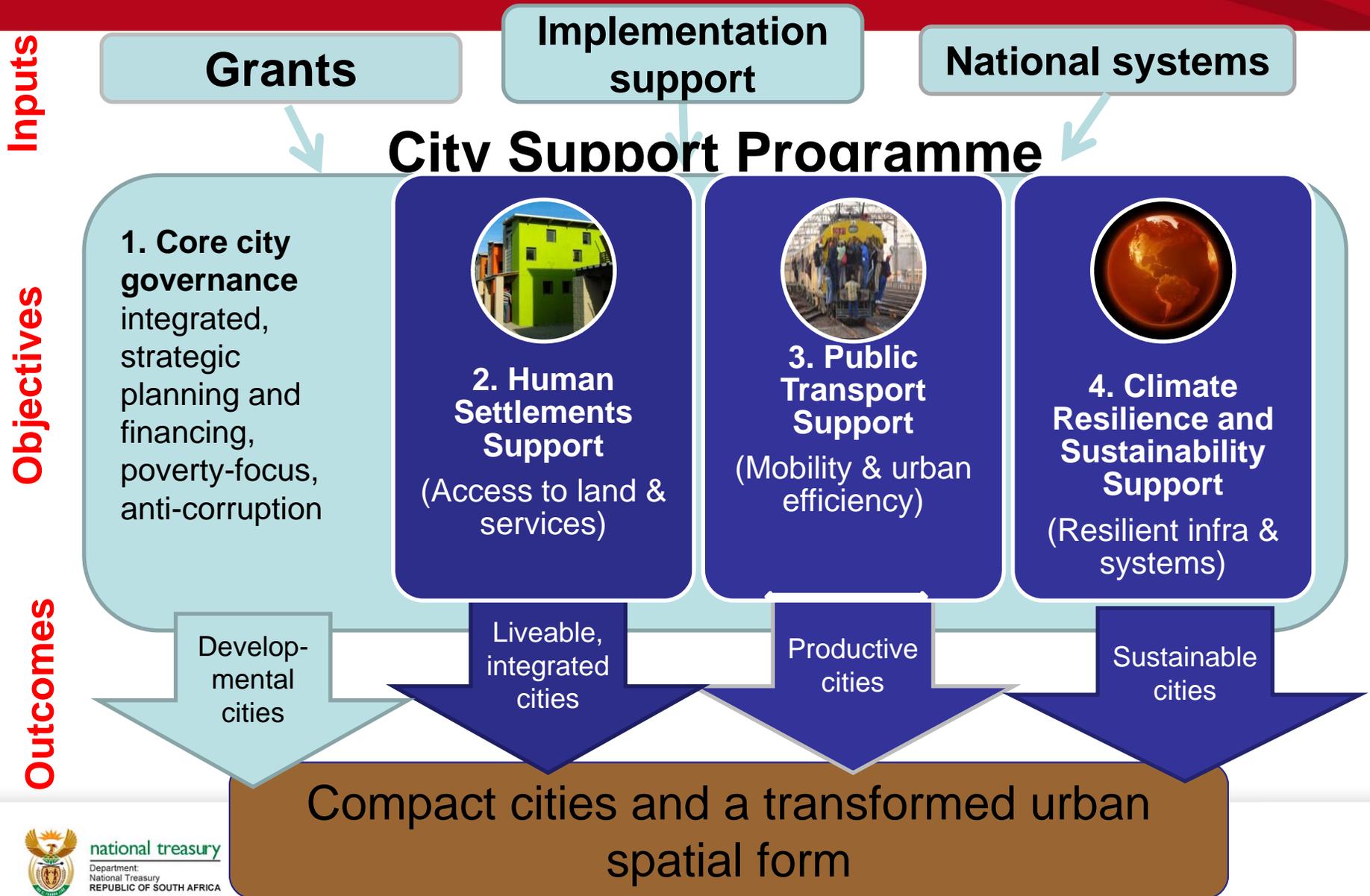
Aims to support and strengthen service delivery, management capacity and systems of SA cities

- Support spatial restructuring to position cities as engines of growth and development
- Focus on **core city governance capacity in the spatial planning and regulation, PFM and related systems** oriented towards integrated management of the built environment
 - Human settlements;
 - Public transport; and
 - Climate resilience.

Key subsidiary objectives

- Realign and expand the direct financing of cities, through the expansion of own revenues (including borrowing) and repositioning of fiscal transfers; and
- Strengthen mechanisms of citizen interface and oversight over municipalities

CSP designed to link inputs to outcomes



The key shifts that CSP supports are:

BUILT ENVIRONMENT

- ❖ Transfer of human settlements and public transport functions to cities
 - promote a fundamental spatial restructuring
 - enhance service delivery especially to informal settlements
 - promote sustainable and inclusive public transport system that enhances urban mobility and increases usage

- ❖ Supporting cities to respond to climate change
 - mainstreaming climate resilience & sustainability in infrastructure planning and management
 - scale up mitigation and adaptation investments
 - lowering of water and energy demand and wastage

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FINANCING

- ❖ A performance-focused incentive programme
 - Shift towards grant system that is more coordinated, rewards performance and encourage innovation in making tough choices now for long term benefits
 - Cities will be rewarded for thinking, planning and implementing in a transversal and integrated way
- ❖ Enhancing access to capital finance by cities, through
 - improved revenue management
 - more innovative use of available revenue sources
 - encouraging greater direct borrowings

The key shifts that CSP supports are:

GOVERNANCE

- ❖ Enhance integrated, strategic planning and financing
 - orient development to support growth and reduce poverty
 - protect the interests of poor and vulnerable groups in the development process
 - address corruption
 - enhance value for money
 - Improved transparency and accountability through better reporting on performance

CSP needs your leadership and commitment

- ❖ Commitment by National Government that will be followed up by regulatory reforms to better integrated national policies and approaches across sectors.
- ❖ Requires commitment from cities and improved performance
 - ❖ Quality of governance, strategy and planning by cities needs to improve significantly to take advantage of built environment reforms
- ❖ CSP implementation needs assessment – cities define their priority areas for participation and support