

Sustainable Smart City Assistant Powered by IBM Granite LLM Generative Al



### The Urban Challenge: Growing Cities, Complex Needs

- By 2050, 68% of the world's population will live in urban areas (UN Habitat).
- Cities face rising demands: energy, waste, infrastructure, and climate resilience.
- Smart, sustainable solutions are critical to improve quality of life and reduce environmental impact.

## IBM Granite: Enterprise-Grade Generative AI for Real-World Impact

#### Open & Performant

Granite LLMs are optimized for business use, offering a balance of power and energy efficiency across models ranging from 2B to 8B parameters.

#### Advanced Capabilities

Features include long-context understanding (128K tokens), instruction-following, and multilingual support for diverse urban needs.

#### **Ethical & Secure**

Built with rigorous data curation, ethical safeguards, and IBM's industry-leading indemnification, ensuring trustworthy Al.

#### Sustainability at IBM: Al That Cares for the Planet

Renewable Training: IBM's AI models are trained on renewable-powered supercomputers, minimizing environmental impact.

Efficient Models: Smaller, efficient Granite models reduce energy consumption and carbon footprint, contributing to a greener future.

Optimized Hardware: Innovations like Telum II processors optimize AI workloads for lower power use.



Smart Techniques: Techniques such as data pruning and iterative scaling cut training energy

### Smart City Assistant: Al-Powered Urban Operations & Citizen Engagement

#### **Real-time Data Integration**

Seamlessly integrates real-time data from sensors, cameras, and citizen reports for comprehensive insights.

#### **Predictive & Prescriptive Al**

Granite LLM analyzes data, predicts urban challenges, and recommends actions for city services.

#### **Optimized City Services**

Examples: waste management, energy forecasting, infrastructure maintenance alerts.

#### **Enhanced Citizen Communication**

Enables two-way communication, allowing citizens to report issues and receive instant updates via mobile apps.

### Case Study: Madrid's Intelligent Madrid (MiNT) Platform

IBM-powered platform managing over 5 million assets including lamp posts, trees, vehicles, and waste systems across Madrid.

- Citizen Engagement: Citizens upload photos and locations of issues, which the AI prioritizes for resolution.
- Operational Efficiency: Over 300 KPIs are monitored daily, improving service quality and resource dispatch.
- Tangible Results: Faster problem resolution, enhanced transparency, and increased citizen trust.



#### Al for Climate Resilience & Public Health

Through collaboration with C40 Cities, IBM AI predicts urban heat risks and helps mitigate their impacts on residents.

Al tools identify vulnerable populations and optimize resource allocation during heat waves.

Integration with healthcare systems provides automated warnings and preventive care guidance, improving public health outcomes.



### Developer Empowerment with IBM Granite.Code

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#### Al-Assisted Coding

The Granite.Code extension offers advanced AI assistance for city tech teams.

#### **Broad Language Support**

Supports 116 programming languages with context-aware code generation and testing.

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#### Rapid Development

Enables quick development and customization of smart city applications.

#### Data Privacy & Control

Self-hosting option ensures data privacy and operational control for sensitive urban data.

# The Future: Scalable, Transparent, and Ethical Al for Cities

- Continuous Innovation: Ongoing model updates with enhanced multimodal and industry-specific capabilities.
- Transparent & Ethical AI: Built-in explainability and bias mitigation ensure trustworthy and fair AI systems.
- Open Architecture: Allows cities to tailor AI assistants to local needs and regulations, fostering adaptability.
- IBM's Commitment: Al that advances sustainability, equity, and resilience for urban environments.







