

Kvarterløft — Denmark's Area-Based Neighbourhood Lift and Its Gentrification Lesson in Copenhagen's Vesterbro

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Quality score: 33/100

Evidence strength: Cautionary / limited

Summary

Launched in 1997, Kvarterløft was a Danish area-based renewal model. Research on Vesterbro found improved conditions but displacement of vulnerable residents by the middle class; early participation studies show limited resident influence.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of impact / measured results	1/3
Transferability / demonstrated replication	1/3
Scalability	1/3
Sustainability / continuity	1/3
Innovation	1/3
Inclusiveness / equity	0/3
Multi-stakeholder collaboration	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

[Danish Urban Committee / City of Copenhagen](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

[Larsen & Hansen \(2008\), Urban Studies, Roskilde portal](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

[Larsen \(2001\): citizen participation in Kvarterløft, Aalborg University](#) — accessed 2026-10-02

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