Interactive city map for wheelchair accessibility

Wheelmap.org is an online map which indicates whether or not a location is wheelchair accessible. It works like Wikipedia – many people help to collect and update information about the accessibility of places in the city.

«Wheelmap.org is an online map to find places that are accessible with a wheelchair. Anyone can mark places on the map and help to make everyday life easier.» (Raúl KRAUTHAUSEN)

wheelmap.org

Organisation: SOZIALHELDEN e.V.
Country/region of origin: Germany
Beneficiaries targeted: Persons with mobility impairments
Approach/model/solution: Online map indicating wheelchair accessibility

FACTS & FIGURES
• Available worldwide, translated into 23 languages
• 360,000 locations marked by contributors
• About 300 new entries every day

PROBLEMS TARGETED

Barriers in public places constantly prevent persons with mobility impairments from free movement and participation. A narrow doorway here, a step there – that’s all it takes. To make things worse, information on the accessibility of public places is poorly available. Hence, persons with mobility impairments are excluded from public transport, gastronomy, shopping etc.

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EXPERT VOTING
Top marks from:
• all voters,
• NGO voters
Top marks for:
• Access to cities,
• targeting p. with learning difficulties

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