## Urban Heat Island Effect

A Study of Various City Surfaces

## What is it?



- Urban areas have a higher temperature than more rural areas
  - Building materials
  - Lack of greenery
  - Blockage of wind
- Problems it causes
  - Higher overall temperatures (especially during the night)
  - Increased usage of air conditioning (positive feedback loop)
  - General discomfort

## My Research

- Temperature Sensors
  - Black Roof
  - White Roof
  - Green Roof
  - Landscaping
  - Pavement
- How effective is each surface
  - Compare temperatures
  - Is it worth the investment?



