

PROJECT PROPOSAL SUMMARY SHEET

Living Lab/Centro de Diálogo y Transformación Inc.

Regional Centre of Expertise on Education for Sustainable Development:

Borderlands México-USA

Maximum length: 4 pages

Name of the Project:
CURRENT PROJECT 11. Interactive Library, Community Center and Living Lab in Collaboration with the Municipal Presidency in Bachíniva, Chihuahua México

Objectives:

Through this Project we aim to:

- ° Revitalize the Bachíniva Municipal Library, and to create a Living Lab and a Social Center to work with the children, youth, their parents, the elderly and other community members
- ° Create a legally binding agreement designed to protect the Library project after the current presidential period has concluded for the enjoyment and enrichment of future generations
- ° Give priority attention to children, youth and families in order to sensitize them to their locality and to their natural environment
- ° Instill values concerning family, community, environment, a love for the Bachíniva locality, history and culture
- ° Increase the Library's holdings by adding a Virtual Library
- ° Create a Demonstration Site and a Greenhouse for Biointensive Organic Agriculture adjacent to the Library premises. People will learn to plant, care for, harvest and cook and conserve produce from the site. Families will be able to take produce home in exchange for volunteer time at the garden. Additional fresh and preserved produce will be sold to locals and tourists.
- ° Offer workshops for art, dance, English, computation, environmental science, as well as offering assistance with school homework for children and youth
- ° Instill a sense of belonging and community integration
- ° Teach children to socialize, and to learn the value of hard work and effort
- ° Develop creativity, sensitivity, psychosocial skills, interpretation and imagination in children, youth and adults
- ° Increase children's self-esteem, sense of worth and sense of agency
- ° Create a setting which lends itself to healthy physical, mental and emotional development of all children and youth, motivating them to create a better tomorrow when they can live their dreams
- ° Change the vision of the Bachíniva children and youth, so they will envision themselves beyond the reach of criminality, vices and addiction
- ° Empower children and youth so they can transform their dreams into reality
- ° Encourage healthy interaction among children, youth, their families and their community; strengthen the values of work and family unity
- ° Create licit sources of employment for Bachíniva youth and adults
- ° Organize a yearly event, 'The Bachíniva Municipal Fair' to celebrate reading, where exhibitions and workshops will be offered; paintings, arts and crafts, fruits, vegetables, honey, cheese, candy, local wines and beers will be exhibited and sold.

- Procure yearly funding for these projects in order to replicate them in the smaller communities of Bachíniva Municipality
- Create a network youth and adult volunteers to help implement these projects
- Involve parents and relatives in activities dedicated to children and youth
- Enable mobile unit providing services to smaller communities in Bachíniva Municipality
- Develop and advertise a tour highlighting the historical, natural, cultural and economic richness of Bachíniva Municipality. This will help bring awareness and pride to the local population; it will show tourists the beauty of Bachíniva, and it will bring in revenue based on the tours and the local businesses that support it.

Business Model: How will the Project become self-sustaining before the end of the funding cycle?

- Tours
- Sale of fresh and conserved local produce, manufactured products and arts and crafts
- Charge a small sum to children and families attending activities
- Bachíniva Municipal Fair (Annual- October)
- Obtain support from the business sector to cover the cost of materials
- Charge for training workshops and courses
- Seek funding support from the Mennonite community
- Apply for funding support from foundations, from the Rotary Club and other potential sponsors

Activities to date:

- Paint and rejuvenate the Municipal Library
- Classify the library’s books and other holdings
- Bring a tour of American Business people hosted by the Municipal Presidency of Bachíniva
- Initiate design for the Agriculture Demonstration Site

Looking toward the future: What do you hope to achieve?

- Create an attractive place for children and youth to enjoy their leisure time.
- Instill a sense of belonging and community integration
- Instill a sense of pride in Bachíniva, its history, its culture and its natural environment
- Promote economic revitalization at the local level
- Provide attention to outlying communities in the municipality utilizing a mobile service, based on the Mobile Living Lab model

Project Implementation Timeline:

TASK	Sept. 2018	Nov. 2018 – June 2019	Dec. 2018	Nov. 2018- March 2019	Nov. 2018- March 2019	Dec. 2018- Jan. 2019	March 2019	Feb.- March 2019
Paint Library								

Prepare the Library Lab & Social Center								
Begin workshops, films, storytelling & other activities for children, youth & families								
Design & paint the Library Sustainable Development Interpretive Centre								
Design the Demonstration Site								
Build Greenhouse								
Plant Greenhouse & Demonstration Site								
Train community for Demo Site								
DATES	June 2019	July-August 2019	August 2019	Oct. 2019				
Primary School visits to library & demo site								
Launch Mobile Unit								
Community to harvest at Demo Site								
Bachíniva Annual Fair								

Proposed Budget:

Implementation Steps	Quantity	Cost Provider 1	Cost Provider 2	Estimated Cost	Actual Cost	Difference
Paint Library				----		
Prepare the Library Lab & Social Center				USD \$10,000.00		
Begin workshops, films, storytelling & other activities for children, youth & families				USD \$2,000.00 (Twice per month x one year)		
Design & paint the Library Sustainable Development Interpretive Centre				USD \$500.00		
Design Demonstration Site				USD \$3,500.00		
Build Greenhouse				USD \$3,500.00		
Plant Greenhouse & Demonstration Site				USD \$300.00		
Train community for Demo Site				USD 2,000.00		
Primary School visits to library & demo site				USD \$500.00		
Launch Mobile Unit				USD \$10,000.00		
Community to harvest at Demo Site				USD \$700.00		
Bachíniva Annual Fair				USD \$1,500.00		
					Subtotal	USD \$ 34,500.00

Living Lab/Centro de Diálogo y Transformación Administrative and Implementation Fee (20%)						USD \$ 6,900.00
					TOTAL	USD \$41,400.00

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Thank you!