## CALLE TENERÍAS

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## PROBLEM DEFINITION | DEFINICIÓN DEL PROBLEMA

The Tenerías site is in a key position of a central neighborhood that allows it to provide desired technological resources and historical discovery for the residents of San Miguel, while also welcoming visitors. This project will adapt the varying existing conditions of the site such as the level changes and overall size and use them as inspiration to create a more open interchangeable project. This potential program will provide the community with a growing knowledge that can guide them into the future.

## USERS | USUARIOS

We define youth(juventud) as the adolescent group of the residential population.
We define locals(locales) as people who have lived here since youth.
We define the indigenous(indígena) people as those with Mexican ancestors who
continue to live here today.
We define expatriates(expatriados) as people from different countries who relocated to San Miguel.

We define tourists (turistas) as short-term visitors.


## BACKGROUND RESEARCH | INVESTIGACIÓN DE FONDO

Public school system in Mexico - run by Secretariat of Public Instruction, SEP
Attendance mandatory for students aged 6-15
Pre-primary school $=3-5$
Elementary = 6-12
Secondary $=13-15$
Many expats children go to international schools
Municipality with the highest level of income inequality in all of Mexico
Municipality of San Miguel has a number of rural communities
These communities need water, food, security, transportation, employment, and community education to become self-sustaining, depend on San Miguel
Commute to school by children and work by parents can be very difficult on education, as well as families where the education level is low already
More than $49 \%$ of the population without a basic education
Many children drop out of secondary education to become additional income-earners for their families
Villages have no water while nearby Mexican farms with products for American supermarkets use plenty of water
For most rural communities water is delivered twice a week to a common well that serves multiple communities.
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## SOLUTION STATEMENT I DECLARACION DE SOLUCION

One of the most intriguing architectural concepts we have found here in San Miguel is the drastic change between the solid planar street facade and the open, adventurous interior. In our own perspective we hope to emulate this ideal, balancing exterior space, protected areas and completely closed off spaces. To guide the visitor through these spaces, we hope to utilize architectural elements such as a water feature to flow around and through our program, intertwining path with aesthetic.

## We hope to create a project that is open to a wide range of visitors and provides an interesting pause while walking between the Paroquia and the residential area.

## PROGRAM | PROGRAMA

## TECHNOLOGY[]TECNOLOGÍA

- computers labs accessible to the public
- stable wif
- user: youth, locals
$200 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$
- café space with exterior and interior spaces
-includes a kitchen
- users: all
-200 m $^{2}$


## EDUCATION ]EEDUCACIÓN

- classroom spaces (2): learn about technology as well as mexican history classes
- community meeting rooms (3): available to all, seminars, non-profits
- volunteer center
- users: locals, indigenous, youth
- 500 m$^{2}$

ENTERTAINMENT[]ENTRETENIMIENTO


## FOOD/ENTRY[]COMIDA/ENTRADA



- historical indigenous astronomical spaces
- San Miguel history: water history application, real poverty/education statistics - users: all
$-650 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$

BATHROOMS/CIRCULATION






## MATERIALS:

We are hoping to emulate materials used in San Miguel such as adobe and brick. We hope to use a concrete base structural system with steel rebar within. Adobe and brick would act as wall filler materials.

- Adobe Bricks (walls)
- Green Walls (exterior/protected walls)
- Burnt Clay Bricks (walls \& screens)
- Water Feature (aesthetic)
- Stone
- Steel (structure)
- Concrete (fireproofing/structure)



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Classrooms

Circulation



Computer Labs


Art Gallery


Community Meeting Rooms


Main Gallery Space

Concrete system with steel rebar.

Grid: $6.5 \mathrm{~m} \times 7.5 \mathrm{~m}$
Attempted to maintain grid proportions throughout project in order to minimize costs.

Relatively common structural construction type here from what we have seen. Lends itself to brick and adobe wall filler.


FLOOR PLAN 2 | PLAN DE PISO 2
FLOOR PLAN 21 PLAN DE PISO 2

## ELEVATIONS | ELEVACIONES




## SECTION PERSPECTIVE \| SECCIÓN PERSPECTIVA







## CODEX | CÓDICE



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