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# What is “LA Corrala”?

A truly innovatory idea that seeks the answer to a timely question asked by many:

“What might be possible if every person had a large part of their basic necessities covered?”

\* Accommodation, Food, Energy, and Education

...and all this in an environment in which sanitation, sustainable transport, culture and the acquisition of knowledge are promoted?’

**Founded upon Sustainability, Recycling and Self-Sufficiency**

*How would we live together?*

*What skills and capabilities might it be possible to develop?*

*How might we work together for the common good?*

# **PROJECT “LA CORRALA”**

## **OBJETIVES**

- To **CREATE** a space where people can feel genuinely safe.
- To **ENCOURAGE** and facilitate **HEALTHY** and nutritional eating habits.
- To **OPTIMIZE COMMUNAL** resources
- To **MINIMIZE DEPENDENCY** on external agents for energy needs
- To **PROMOTE** cultural interests and the sharing of knowledge
- To **GROW STRONG RELATIONSHIPS**, positive interactions, and collaboration between neighbours through common ownership of a shared project

*Overall, the aim is to foster the perfect environment in which the human potential and creativity of every person can be developed fully to work towards a future that is more sustainable and humane*

# HOUSING

We propose building a typical Spanish “Corrala” in Los Angeles, California, utilising recycled and repurposed materials: all with a social focus.

- **Basic concept:** We will use recycled maritime containers known as “high cube” of 12 meters in length that can be stacked one on top of the other with capacity for 20 dwellings and families.
- They will be placed around a shared patio, complete with an urban vegetable garden and leisure areas, both inside and out.
- **Roofing with shared uses for:**
  - **Energy:** solar panels will be placed on rooftops for sustainable self-sufficient consumption.
  - **Food:** Green roof gardens as an urban vegetable garden.
  - **Terraces for shared relaxation.**
- **Common areas for activities such as:** a laundry room, Cofee Shop, Kitchen, Vegetable Garden and Sports Area.
- **Shared zones for reading, studying or coworking and a games room.**

# HOUSING



# HOUSING – Key Characteristics

- Homes will be composed of two or three containers situated either parallel or placed one on top of the other. The configuration will depend upon on the number of people in each family. With:
- Ease accessibility.
- Natural light and ventilation.
- High energy efficiency, perfect insulation and climate control.



# HOME INTERIORS

- Design orientated towards the outdoors.
- Each house will come equipped with essential installations and basic furniture.
- Kitchens equipped with pantry for storing foodstuffs.



# HOUSING – ROOFING

On roofs:

- Solar panel installations to meet each home's energy requirements and,
- Green roofs for cultivation of vegetables, greens or aromatic plants.





# COMMON AREAS



## LAUNDRY

- For Corrala residents and also open to the rest of the neighbourhood and wider community



## TERRACE ON THE TOP

- Space situated on the top of the shared Café for socialising in the open (also open to the community at large)

# COMMON AREAS (continued):

## OUTDOOR SPORTS ZONE

- Small basketball court.
- Swimming pool made out of a container.
- Exercise area for senior citizens.



## GARDENING AREA / URBAN INDOOR

- A “School” for learning to garden, plant and grow vegetables and greens in shared areas with an ethos that learning to eat well is crucial for caring for oneself and others.



# NUTRITION AND SUSTAINABILITY



## URBAN KITCHEN GARDEN:

- Located in the inner courtyard.
- To build, cooperate and work together as a community – a combination of collective decisions and healthy eating.



## FRESH PRODUCE "SHOP"

- Offering healthy and free produce to Corrala families picked from:
  - Corrala's urban kitchen garden
  - Ecological buying from people managing Café and Restauration areas.

# FOOD & DINING AREA

## RESTAURANT AND CAFÉ

- Located in the central containers that comprise the entrance to the Corrala.
- Both establishments will be available for commercial use to interested residents with the condition that the menus on offer be healthy.
- But, the restaurant and café will also be open to the public at large, with a street entrance to encourage footfall.
- Healthy Living Kitchen: the space can also be used for cooking classes with a focus on great nutrition, an opportunity for people from the diverse cultures and backgrounds that make up LA to come together and share dishes, ideas and experience.



# EDUCATION, COWORKING & LEISURE (open to all)

## GAMES ROOMS

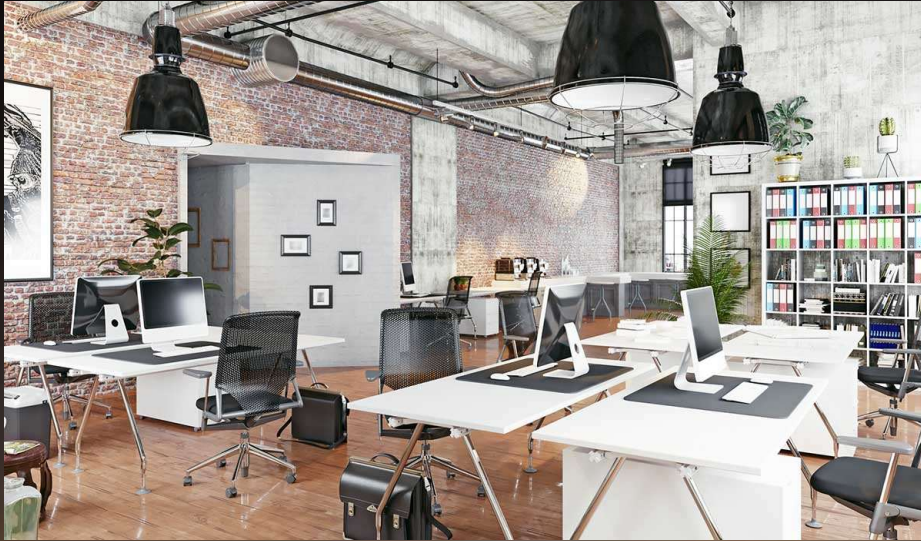
A space dedicated to stimulating small children's creativity, deploying play as a tool for learning.



## LIBRARY AND STUDY ZONE

- Fully equipped with IT and reading materials.
- Suitable for students of different age groups.

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## COWORKING ZONE

A space in with to carry out calls, share resources and work collaboratively to develop projects.

- Educational activities and workshops for sharing knowledge in the spirit of collaboration.

## AUDIOVISUAL SPACE

- Open space with a screen and projector for films, documentaries of interest, photography and other audiovisual material.

- Also to be used for discussion groups, debates, plays and presentations.



# SERVICE INSTALLATIONS FOR SUSTAINABLE HOUSEKEEPING



Each of the four corners of the Corrala will have key common service installations: WATER, TRASH, ENERGY AND TRANSPORT.



1. Water treatment area: Residual waste-water to be treated for use in the Urban Garden and cleaning (near the laundry and café /restaurant)

2. Compost area: for use in the Urban Garden.



\*\* Over time the possibility of production and commercialization of recycled materials: paper, cardboard and plastics may be considered.

# TECHNICAL INSTALLATIONS

3. ENERGY EFFICIENT INSTALLATIONS focused on self-consumption of all homes and areas of the project.

4. SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT and electric charging points for electric vehicles, bicycles and scooters.





# PROJECT "LA CORRALA" - THE INITIATIVE



CÉSAR VEA  
CREATOR AND  
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Cesar Vea graduated from the *Real Academia Escuela Superior de Arte de Madrid (RESAD)* with a degree in Dramatic Arts. Following this, he took his training further with two years of study in New York and Los Angeles.

He has appeared in numerous Spanish series and films. He is also an entrepreneur with an interest in social issues and responsibility, and has led various initiatives such as:

1. Training courses in cinema, theatre and TV in La Rioja, 2009.
2. Classical music concert held at Zarzuela Racecourse, 2011.
3. Charitable basketball match between Real Madrid and Estudiantes Leyendas in aid of Fundación SanFilippo, 2012.
4. Charitable basketball match in Dubai with Kobe Bryant, in aid of diabetes suffers and research, 2013.
5. Charitable basketball match with various actors and actresses from television and Real Madrid for the Asociación contra el Cancer, 2018.
6. Charitable concert for institutes of integration in Madrid, 2019.

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## THE TEAM



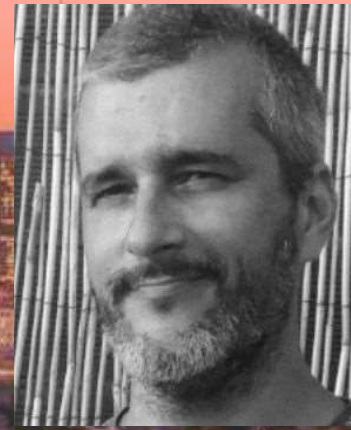
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# PROJECT “LA CORRALA”

*Experience of Architecture Team – STRADDLE3 / ATRI CITY*

*2019 First Prize in the AFFORDABLE HOUSING CHALLENGE, Barcelona & New York City.*

*2021 First Prize to the Best Architecture in Spanish.*

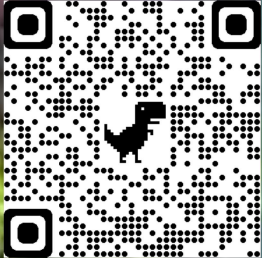
*2021 Primer Premio a la Mejor Arquitectura en Español. ArchDaily.*



*\*\* Case Study 04: Taft House in Harlem, NYC. Intervention in a Residential Polygon*



*We hope that you are as excited as we are about being a part of this project!!*



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