

Millions of Mexican people live in precarious houses

Living in an adequate and decent house is a constitutional right in Mexico, however, at least 14 million families live in precarious houses, a situation that becomes worse in rural areas

45 percent of the total number of families in Mexico face risks as they do not live in a decent house, for this reason Congregación Mariana Trinitaria works hard to develop programs that might turn that constitutional right into a reality; like in Tepango, Puebla; where 255 families were able to get construction materials to improve their houses.



CMT and the promotion of having a decent house

In Mexico millions of families do not own a decent house due to the conditions of poverty and marginalization they live in.

Congregación Mariana Trinitaria is committed to Mexican families so that they may own high-quality houses, so it develops strategies and programs to help the government and citizens to reach that goal; just like in Tepango, Puebla, where a donation of metal sheets and solar heaters was made.

“About 300 families are vulnerable as they are unable to own a house. The assistance programs to benefit people in this municipality will allow 255 families to get that benefit, that means approximately one thousand 32 people”, mentioned Fabiola Pérez Díaz, Councilor of public education in Tepango.

Due to this, it was possible to help 255 families by subsidizing solar heaters, metal sheets, and water containers. The objective was to help families in the area to improve the quality of their houses so that they can live with no threats to their integrity and health.

At least 14 million families are unable to live in adequate and decent houses, which represents 45 percent of families in the country. That was mentioned in the report about Rights to Housing compiled by the National Council for Evaluation of Social Development Policy (CONEVAL).

Only 17.5 million families in Mexico live in favorable conditions that foster human, social, and economic development; and most of them live in urban areas.

The report presented by CONEVAL mentions that eight out of ten families who live in rural areas face a context of miserable conditions. The states with more than 70 percent of their population in those conditions are Oaxaca, Guerrero, and Chiapas.

“Each family must enjoy the right of living in an adequate and decent house. The Law shall provide the resources and support in order to reach that objective”, those words are stated in the Fourth Article in the Mexican Constitution.

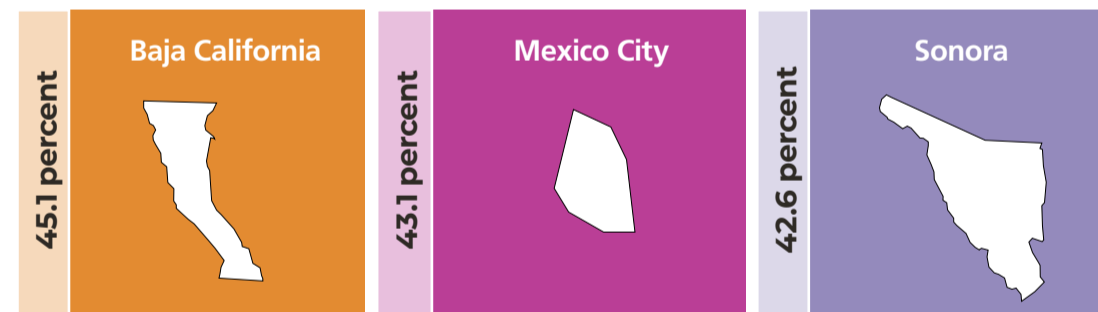
The problem is that families in Mexico do not have enough money to get a decent house, and most of them are not even able to fulfill their basic needs due to the low salaries they earn. For this reason, five out of 10 inhabitants live in poverty.

As of January 1, this year the minimum wage increased by 15 percent, then it is currently 141.7 pesos; this data was provided by the National Council on Minimum Wages (CONASAMI).

Women have low percentages to own properties in Mexico

Only 35.3 percent of the houses in Mexico are owned by women, while 56 percent are owned by men. The rest of the houses are in categories such as co-ownership or they belong to unknown owners, as mentioned in the website eBay Vivanuncios.

States with the lowest percentages of houses owned by women



“As a matter of fact, that means a lot for us because we save money as we do not have to buy gas, which is really expensive these days so it is a big help”, says Paquita Serafín Galido, who lives in Tepango, Puebla.

So far, more than one thousand families have been supported by this program developed by Congregación Mariana Trinitaria in the municipality of Tepango, and we expect more families to join this program.

“Time ago, I used to live in a house made of cardboard so, after many rains it deteriorated. Metal sheets were a big help. We encourage people to visit their local authorities, get together, and participate in the program to get benefits”, said Janet Díaz Zaragoza, a woman who got benefits after joining this program.

The commitment of Congregación Mariana Trinitaria with the people who live in Tepango in Puebla, and with Mexico, is a real thing, so the actions will not stop until all the people can reach social welfare.



States with the lowest percentages of houses owned by women



According to the National Institute on Statistics and Geography (INEGI), the states with the lowest percentages of houses owned by women are: Nuevo León (27 percent), Chiapas (29 percent), and Zacatecas (28.6 percent).

Baja California (45.1 percent), Sonora (42.6 percent), and Mexico City (43.1 percent) are the states with the highest percentages of houses owned by women.

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The report presented by CONEVAL

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