

MEXICO



Why we build: In 2022, Mexico had approximately 35.2 million private homes. Of these, around 8.9 million showed some form of housing backlog, which represents approximately 25.3% of the total. This backlog includes homes that lack appropriate materials for floors, walls, or roofs; those that do not have a bathroom or suffer from overcrowding. Additionally, in 2022, 17.8% of the Mexican population lacked access to basic services within their homes, such as drinking water, sewage, or electricity.

Project description: Depending on the project status, volunteer tasks may include:

- Ground Preparation: Moving and compacting earth to establish a solid foundation.
- Foundation Slab: Preparing the concrete mix to build the foundation of the house.
- Building walls: Gluing solid blocks that will give structure and support to the house.
- Castle casting: Filling the metal structures that will support the house with concrete mixture.

Active participation: Assisting with additional tasks as directed by the Habitat and Jhira's construction team.

What to expect: Volunteers arrive in Mexico City to travel by land to Tlaxcala (2 hours). The travel time to the community will be between 30 and 40 minutes. Opportunities for social learning exchange activity may include creating floral rugs with sawdust, learning about the process of making crafts, or preparing traditional sweets from the region.

Highlights: Building homes and hope in Tlaxcala, Habitat for Humanity addresses critical housing needs, fosters community resilience, and collaborates with local authorities for sustainable development.

