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Wadi Gharba Community Centre

This project is collaboration with "Catherine Exists" initiative to build a community center for the local Bedouin community in Wadi Gharba, Al-Tarfa village, located in Saint Catherine protectorate ,Sinai Governorate, Egypt. We conducted a workshop for 20 students and graduates where they learned about earth construction, Wadi Gharba community and learned about their needs and translated these needs in a design of a space, which will mainly serve the local community and will provide health and educational facilities for them and also will act as a venue to spread intercultural dialogue between the locals and the outsider community at the same time, will create awareness and will encourage the tourism in

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LOCATION: SOUTH SINAI, EGYPT

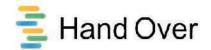
**PROJECT YEAR: 2018** 







The project includes several spaces to be able to serve the above-mentioned objectives. The space will offer medical services through a clinic; a gallery to showcase the culture and heritage of the region, a multi-purpose unit that will be used to hold workshops, retreats or public events, an open market where the local craftsmen and talented women could sell their own products to the visitors of the space. It will also include a herbs garden, attached to it there will be a cafeteria to serve the visitors and other facilities to ease the stay of the visitors. The main theme that we adapt in the project is the human-centered design approach. The project is realized through cooperating with the local communities, volunteers and students to design and implement the space.



We are a team of architects, civil engineers, material specialists and builders who are passionate about the construction field, eager to create a social impact and have witnessed the construction's impact over the last years and want to revolutionize this industry by creating a solution that is environment-friendly and feasible!







## the first rammed earth clinic in Egypt.

the area. The first





phase of the project was realized in October 2018, where we opened the community clinic

and it is currently serving the villagers through

monthly medical convoys and it is considered

Catherin Exists



Local representative

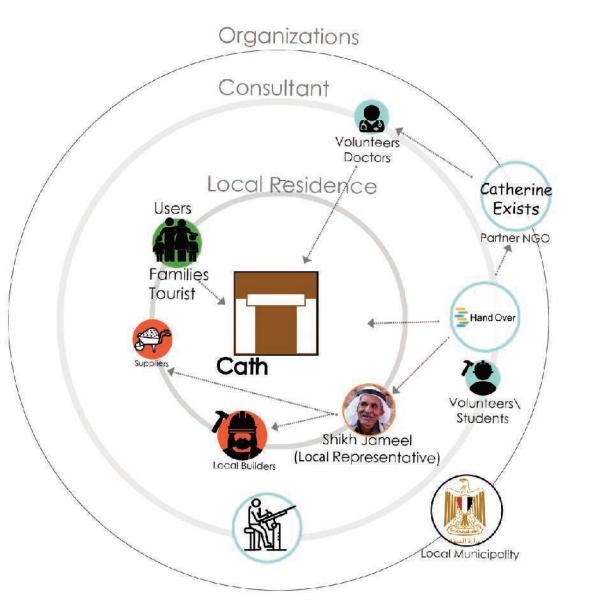


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## Project Objective:

One of the main objectives of this project is to create a space that fits the nature there, Creates dialogue between local community and outsiders and fulfill the pressing needs of the locals. The building has only been in operation for less than a month but the impact is already tangible. People were in desperate need of medical services and there were hundreds of people lining up on the first day where the clinic started operation. In terms of the techniques, the impact could also be sensed once anyone enters the building. Because we tried to outsource most of the materials used from site, we were able to cut the cost of the project budget and because we have only hired local builders, we were able to invest also in the people by giving them a working opportunity and by teaching them a new technique and skill that they are currently using





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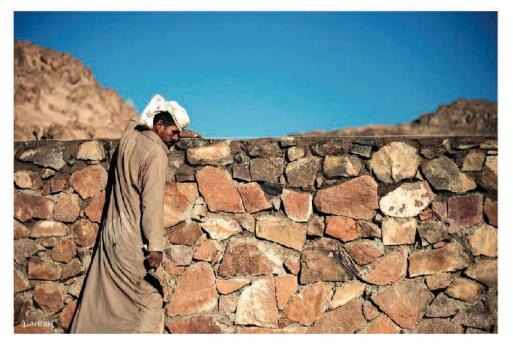
















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