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REHABILITATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF PROTECTED HOUSING AND ITS ENVIRONMENT 2017-2018 Government of the Canary Islands

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GOOD PRACTICE REHABILITATION FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF PROTECTED HOUSING AND ITS ENVIRONMENT 2017-2018

The project for the Rehabilitation of the protected public housing of the Government of the Canary Islands and its surroundings (2017 - 2018) is presented as a good practice, whose objective is to improve the conditions of habitability, energy consumption and accessibility.

The actions carried out consist of the waterproofing of facades and roofs, repair of drainage, replacement of skylights, repair and replacement of exterior carpentry, repair of exterior prefabricated elements and replacement of paving in common areas.

In order to manage this project, during the 2017-2018 period, the Government of the Canary Islands signed a Framework Agreement with construction companies for the execution of these works of reform, repair and conservation of the protected housing.

Eligible public expenditure: 3,400,000 € ERDF aid (85% co-financing): 2,890,000 €

This project has made it possible to carry out 649 actions in homes in the province of Santa Cruz de Tenerife and 1,385 in the province of Las Palmas. It is estimated that these works have benefited more than 16,000 residents.

Justification of the Good Practice Criteria:

1-The role of the ERDF in the action has been adequately disseminated among the beneficiaries, potential beneficiaries and the general public

Work signs:





In the Housing Council's website:

http://www.gobiernodecanarias.org/vivienda/destacados/unioneuropea.html



News on the Website of the Canarian Government:

http://www.gobiernodecanarias.org/noticias/epsv/89959/vivienda-ejecuta-obras-reforma-total-845-casas-parque-publico-provincia-palmas?fbclid=IwAR3fScK179YgDIx9bebNBG60IAQi1Ztey9uf0OaQpBrCgh8zFrTVLgc42K



News in the Canarian Government Housing Council's Twitter:

https://twitter.com/ViviendaCanaria/status/999618080161583104



News in Digital Press:

https://www.eldiario.es/lapalmaahora/municipios/barlovento/Vivienda-ejecuta-reforma-conjunto-Barlovento 0 774822898.html



2.-Incorporation of innovative elements

Innovative technical solutions have been applied in the execution works, including the use of the best quality products, as is the case of the paints, looking for brands with more resistance to the exterior that, at the same time, contribute to the protection of the environment.

Another novelty in this action was the Framework Agreement for the Awarding of the Works, which managed to reach a greater number of SMEs and, at the same time, promoted employment among the long-term unemployed within the building sector.

3.-Adjustment of the results obtained to the established objectives.

The program in which this project is framed between 2014 and 2020 has foreseen actions in 5,147 units. Until 2018, the Canary Islands Government has intervened in 4,116, which means that the results obtained are in line with the planned programme. These actions have improved the habitability conditions and the public residential environment of more than 16,000 people. The Government of the Canary Islands thus ensures the social function of public housing whose owners do not have the economic means to undertake the improvement works.

4.-Contribution to the resolution of a problem or weakness detected in the area of execution.

It should not be forgotten that the economic-financial crisis, which has affected our country and which has manifested itself most intensely in the building and rehabilitation sector, has caused important cuts in the provision of public services, leading to the ageing of the housing stock of the Canary Islands Government. For this reason, the implementation of this project has contributed to the resolution of a problem or weakness detected in the area of execution.

With these actions, not only has it been possible to repair the aesthetic defects of the homes and their surroundings, but also to improve their energy consumption and the accessibility of the residents, by eliminating architectural barriers.

5.- A high degree of coverage over the population to which it is aimed at.

The public housing stock, managed by the Canary Islands Housing Institute, has more than 10,000 public housing units that are inhabited by families at high risk of social exclusion. Therefore, this operation has provided a high degree of coverage for the target population, as it allows for the regeneration of properties located in disadvantaged areas.

6.-Consideration of the horizontal criteria of equal opportunities and non-discrimination, as well as social responsibility and environmental sustainability

This programme contributes to social equality, on the one hand, because it ensures that those people with fewer economic resources can carry out the work of rehabilitating their homes and thus improve their living conditions and because it contributes to the recruitment of staff, long-term unemployed, under conditions of non-discrimination and equality between men and women through the inclusion of social clauses in the Framework Agreement governing recruitment.

In addition, the works included in the programme are aimed at reducing energy consumption in housing, with solutions that improve its thermal insulation to reduce consumption, improving, among other things, the waterproofing of facades and roofs, or the carpentry, which when replaced by aluminium carpentry with more efficient profiling, prevents thermal bridge breaks, managing to reduce electricity consumption inside the home and contributing to better environmental sustainability.

It also contributes to non-discrimination for reasons of age or functional mobility, with the improvement of the accessibility of the buildings, carrying out the construction of ramps to facilitate access to community areas, or the interior adaptation of the houses, eliminating the physical barriers that can be found in places such as bathrooms, where the bathtub is replaced by adapted shower baths and handles are placed.

7.- Synergies with other policies or instruments of public intervention

The rehabilitation actions promoted by the Government of the Canary Islands have generated synergies with other policies or instruments of public intervention, such as the coordination with projects of the European Social Fund, through multi-fund strategies, which favour the social and labour insertion of the most disadvantaged groups, especially with the hiring of workers with low qualifications linked to the building sector. In this sense, the Canary Islands Housing Institute signed an agreement with the Canary Islands Employment Service and the Labour Foundation for Construction, whose objective is to train and hire unemployed people in the building sector. It is also worth noting the collaboration with other departments related to the Canary Islands Housing Plan, the Ministry of Public Works and Transport, island councils and local authorities of the Canary Islands.







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