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In this BP we group together three actions that have been carried out in the Barrio de la Caridad with the co-financing of EDUSI Funds, whose common objective is to promote a route of historical and cultural interest, which serves as a tourist attraction and for the revitalisation of the area. To this end, work has been carried out on Cayetano del Toro Street, which forms an axis that links two buildings of remarkable historical value, such as the chapel of Cristo de la Alameda, and the St Anton's Chapel, annexed to the municipal museum, both chapels also being the object of actions with European Funds.

The investment in the street was 397,992.36 euros, having obtained a grant of 318,393.89 euros from Feder Funds, within the framework of the Urban, Sustainable and Integrated Development Strategy (DUSI) Barrio de la Caridad-Puerta de Europa. Another 41,096.12 euros went to the St Anton's Chapel, of which 32,876.90 euros were subsidised; and 75,139 euros were invested in the Chapel of Cristo de la Alameda, with a grant of 60,111.2 euros.

The project in Cayetano del Toro street, which included its transversal Miguel Martín, involved a new distribution of spaces, giving them a pedestrian-friendly treatment, eliminating architectural barriers, renewing all its infrastructures, and equipping them with new lighting, security cameras and landscaping.

At the southern end of the street is the Chapel of Cristo de la Alameda, which dates from 1776. During the Great Siege (1789) sailors prayed in this building. It became very popular in the mid-19th century as it became the centre of the fishermen's offerings, gradually losing its importance and ceasing to function. This project has solved important problems of dampness in the building and has rehabilitated its internal and external walls with the aim of converting the space into an exhibition hall.

St Anton's Chapel is located at the northern end of the building, and the work focused on replacing the belfry with another one identical to the existing one, including its volumetric decoration, as there had been a permanent and progressive deterioration, with the plastering even coming off onto the public road. In the same action, the façade was painted. During the process, some ashlars of historical and patrimonial importance were discovered.

These ashlars have been recovered to preserve the original image of the chapel, as it was conceived in the 18th century.



Cayetano del Toro Street



St Anton's Chapel



Chapel of Cristo de la Alameda

1.- The role of the ERDF in the action has been appropriately publicised both by means of the mandatory communication and by exceptional acts. Thus, in all three cases the information poster was installed, it was published on the municipal website, and even in the case of the Alameda Chapel a permanent plaque was placed.

Plaque:



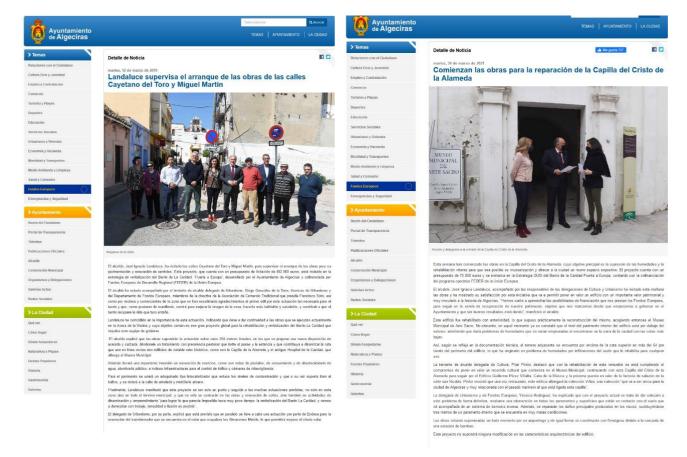
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With regard to exceptional communication, different events were held in the street with the neighbourhood, information billboards were put up, an advertorial was published in a commercial medium and a video of the cultural life in the area was made. A television programme dedicated to the restoration of the chapel of Cristo de la Alameda was also broadcast.

Mupis:





Street event, street market:



Advertorial:



Video link: https://www.algeciras.es/es/temas/fondos-europeos/feder-edusi/

All this helped to create a cultural association in the Barrio de la Caridad, "Recrearte", which organises a monthly craft market at the end of Cayetano del Toro Street and at the St Anton's gate. In addition, they have given painting and crochet workshops, which has led to decorating the neighbourhood with murals on walls and some walls, and crochet elements, such as the Christmas tree.











- **2.- The action incorporates innovative elements.** The area of this Good Practice has been semi-pedestrianised (only authorised resident vehicles can enter), and the floor has been fitted with photocatalytic elements that muffle the noise caused by vehicles, while at the same time absorbing polluting discharges into the atmosphere. It has also been fitted with remote-controlled lighting, which makes it possible to detect a breakdown immediately and control the intensity of the lighting according to the time of day and pedestrian traffic.
- **3.-The results obtained are in line with the established objectives,** as a cultural itinerary has been created, which starts at the municipal museum (adjacent to St Anton's Chapel), runs along Cayetano del Toro, and ends at the Cristo de la Alameda, which is going to be used as an exhibition hall. In addition, 100 metres away are the remains of a Roman salting factory, which will be the subject of another Good Practice.

These actions have also helped to promote a cultural route that will contribute to the revitalisation of the neighbourhood, the ultimate objective of the EDUSI funds.

- **4.- It contributes to the resolution of a problem or weakness in the area in which the action is defined,** as it makes the neighbourhood attractive for its recovery, at the same time as it solves mobility problems, as in the 3 actions architectural barriers have been removed, and the street has even been built with a single platform to promote pedestrian traffic.
- **5.- It has a high degree of coverage of the target population.** The actions not only reach to improve the quality of life of the inhabitants of the street and the Barrio de la Caridad in

general, which has a population of 4,952 inhabitants, but also affect the whole municipality, as it is a very busy street as it contains buildings of heritage and historical interest, as well as cultural and leisure activities that are carried out. It should be noted that Algerians has 121,414 inhabitants.

- **6.-** The criteria of equal opportunities and environmental sustainability have been taken into account. The works carried out favour equal opportunities as architectural barriers have been removed, while contributing to environmental sustainability through the installation of a photocatalytic floor, landscaping, and the replacement of lighting with a more efficient and less polluting LED type.
- **7.- Synergies with other policies or instruments of public intervention.** All the actions are included in the Algeciras Urban Agenda, as well as in the Urban Mobility Plan and the Energy Efficiency Plan. In addition, the two buildings are part of the municipal catalogue of protected buildings.

The so-called cultural axis is enriched by the excavation of the remains of a Roman salting factory, where an interpretation centre will be created.

Throughout the area, inefficient lighting has been replaced with state-of-the-art LED lighting with remote management, which allows the intensity of the light to be adjusted according to the time of day and the activity in the street, as well as providing ornamental lighting for the Municipal Museum, adjacent to St Anton's Chapel.

Security and traffic control cameras have also been installed.

The aforementioned projects have been financed by the European Union and will be Good Practice objectives.





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