



Sistema Integrada de Información y Evaluación Tselal (SIET)



Snahul stsobojib sp'ijilal sjol yo'tan jlumaltic

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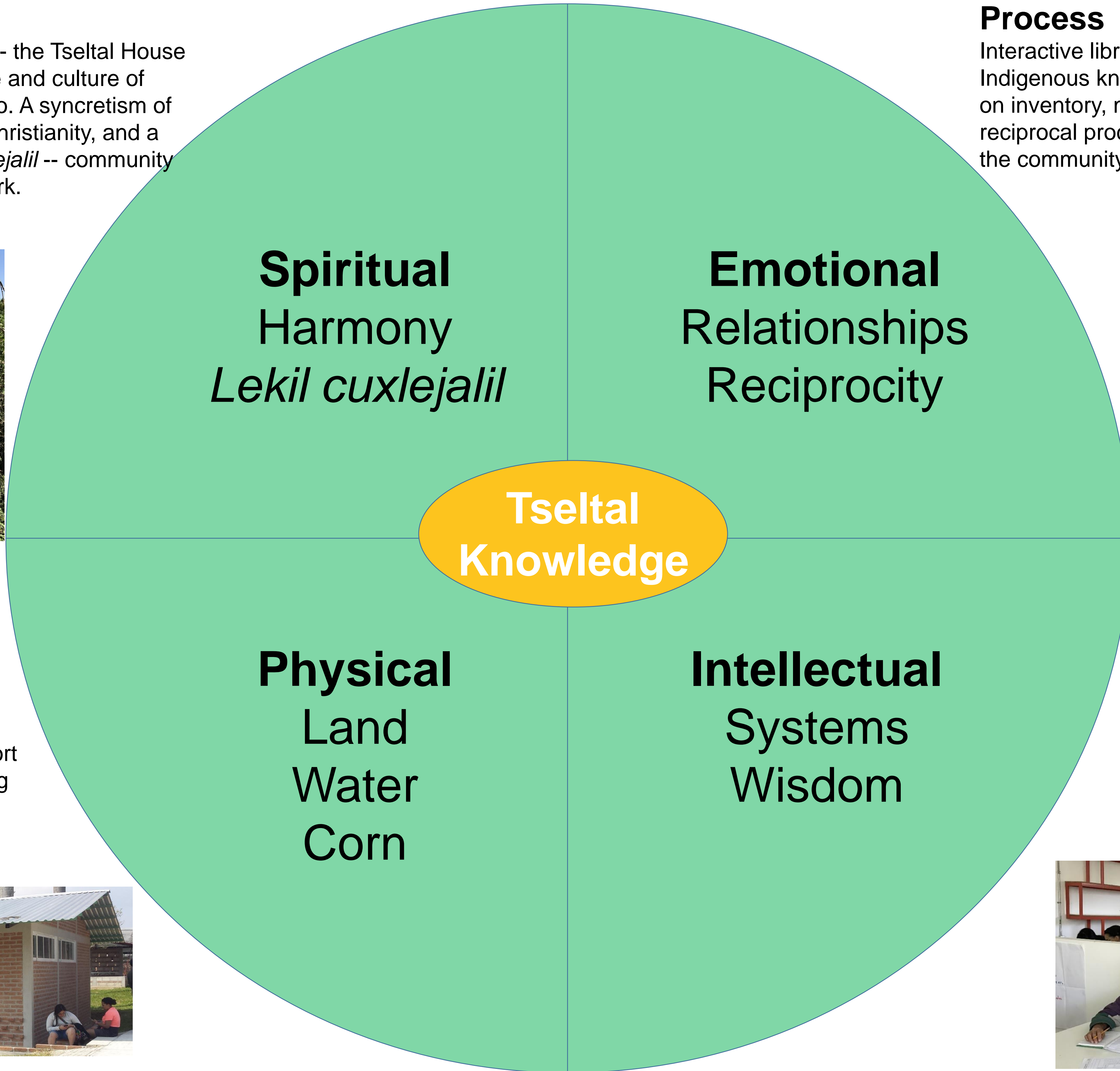
Project Description

Snahul stsobojib sp'ijilal sjol yo'tan jlumaltic -- the Tselal House of Wisdom -- seeks to preserve the language and culture of Tselal Maya communities in Chiapas, Mexico. A syncretism of traditional Mayan spirituality and harmony, Christianity, and a more recent Indigenous concept of *lekil cuxlejalil* -- community well-being -- forms the foundation for this work.



Outcomes

The *House of Wisdom* is a physical being for knowledge transmission, supporting Tselal ways of being through intergenerational community-centered learning. We identified furniture and archival materials that will support the longevity of the collection while accounting for physical realities that include humidity and pests.



Process

Interactive library workshops united LIS theory with Tselal Indigenous knowledge. Participants redesigned worksheets on inventory, metadata, and digitization through iterative, reciprocal processes that centered concepts important to the community.

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<p>Formulario #1: Inventario de la Colección</p> <p>Nombre del grupo de materiales: _____</p> <p>Ubicación de los materiales: _____</p> <p>Material específico: _____</p> <p>Fecha de adquisición: _____</p> <p>Descripción: _____</p>		<p>Formulario #1: Inventario de la Colección</p> <p>Nombre del grupo de materiales: _____</p> <p>Ubicación de los materiales: _____</p> <p>Material específico: _____</p> <p>Fecha de adquisición: _____</p> <p>Descripción: _____</p>	

Next Steps

The *House of Wisdom* team are slowly creating metadata and making collection management decisions. In the future the project will support the digitization of the collection and a catalog, and look at ways to engage community through library programming.

