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Proyecto de Desarrollo Rural Integral Vicente Guerrero A.C.

Information for Participants

4th International Corn Conference of Indigenous Peoples
March 7-8, 2019, Vicente Guerrero, Tlaxcala México

Maps, Location and Directions



Vicente Guerrero Community location: <https://goo.gl/maps/4jiQqVg148n>

Map of Mexico City to Vicente Guerrero: <https://goo.gl/maps/6hWrDKkaBEt>

The Vicente Guerrero Community can be reached from México City, arriving to San Martín Texmelucan, Puebla and then to Vicente Guerrero using public transportation or private vehicle in about a period of 2 hours. Similarly, it can be reached via the City of Puebla towards San Martín Texmelucan, arrive to Tlaxcala and then to Vicente Guerrero.

History

The state of Tlaxcala is one of the smallest states in the Mexican Republic, its surface is 4,016 square kms. which represents 0.2% of the National territory, its average elevation ranges between 2,000 and 3,000 meters above sea level. Due to its location, the state of Tlaxcala has a temperate climate. Its name means “Place of the Tortillas” or “Cornbread”. It has 60 municipalities and among them is *Españita* (Little Spain).

The **Vicente Guerrero** community belongs to the *Españita* municipality, located to the west of the state of Tlaxcala. Vicente Guerrero is a campesino community with approximately 1,300 inhabitants and at an elevation of 2,520 meters above sea level. Land tenure or property is in its majority communal land of approximately 5 hectares per family;

dedicated to the production of basic grains such as corn and beans, as well as the farming of pumpkin, fava beans, wheat, fruit-bearing trees (peaches, pears, hawthorn and capulin), the lots have maguey, nopal and forest trees ((pine-oak). All this production is seasonal, which means the productive activities take place when the rains begin.

Climate

During the months of January, February and March it is cold in the community during mornings, afternoons and evenings; these first few months of the year are dry and hot after noon time, so it is recommended that the sun be avoided as it gets really intense and burning. The rainy season starts during April and May, time in which lot preparation begins as well as the planting of different crops in the region. It is anticipated that the climate will be good with possibly a slight chance of rain during these days.

For the intense heat, it is recommended sunblock be brought especially for those people who are sensitive, and that shirts be of a light color and with long sleeves, bring warm clothes (for mornings, afternoon and evenings).

<u>Climate in Vicente Guerrero, Tlaxcala, México</u>									
Celsius			Fahrenheit						
	Wed, Mar 6 Mostly Sunny	23°/8°	0%			Wed, Mar 6 Mostly Sunny	72°/46°	0%	
	Thu, Mar 7 Sunny	25°/9°	0%			Thu, Mar 7 Sunny	76°/48°	0%	
	Fri, Mar 8 Sunny	26°/10°	10%			Fri, Mar 8 Sunny	79°/49°	10%	
	Sat, Mar 9 Sunny	26°/10°	0%			Sat, Mar 9 Sunny	79°/50°	10%	
	Sun, Mar 10 Sunny	26°/11°	20%			Sun, Mar 10 Sunny	79°/51°	20%	

Lodging in Vicente Guerrero

The lodging covered by the organizers is through the rental of rooms in the houses of campesino families in the community, these rooms will have pillows, blankets, sheets and bathroom with hot water.

Please bring personal hygiene items such as towel, soap, toothpaste and toothbrush, since the lodging will be provided by campesino families in the community.

The families end their daily activities by 9:00PM, hence participants are asked to alert the families if you are planning to go out after this time, or if you have event activities, so they can either wait for you or open the room so you can rest.

Hotels near Vicente Guerrero

Reservations for rooms and apartments are available in the following and nearest hotels to the community, approximately 10 kilometers from the community. The reservations have a special low price under “Corn Conference”. If you prefer a hotel room, it will have to be

paid by you, the participant. There will be transportation provided from the hotel to the conference and vice versa.

Hotel JR INN

Calle Revolución No 400 Colonia Chapultepec
Nanacamilpa, Tlaxcala
Telephone: 222 195 9426

Hotel del Centro

Calle Escobedo No 35
Colonia Francisco Villa, Tlaxcala
Telephone: 748 766 0139

For questions regarding lodging at Vicente Guerrero contact **Alicia Sarmiento** at:
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Lodging in México City (March 6th and 9th)

Those international and national participants arriving to México City on March 6th and who have made arrangements for their reservation with the organizers, will be staying at the following hotel near the airport.

Holiday Inn Express

Av. Río Churubusco 253, COL, Granjas México, 08400 Ciudad de México (México City),
CDMX, México
[**+52 55 5803 4900**](tel:+525558034900)

When you arrive at the airport, pick up your luggage and call the hotel at [**+52 55 5803 4900**](tel:+525558034900) so they can pick you up at the airport and bring you to the Holiday Inn Hotel, where there will be a reservation under your name if that was arranged with the organizers.

The pick up locations at the airport are the following:

Terminal 1, Door 4

Terminal 2, Vans' Area

For those participants departing from México City on March 9th or March 10th, they will be leaving the Vicente Guerrero community towards the airport around 1600 hours. If you have arranged reservations with the organizers you will again be staying at the Holiday Inn Hotel for the night of March 9th for departures on March 10th. Transportation from the hotel to the airport will be provided.

If you have lodging questions, please contact **Nicole Yanes**:
WhatsApp: +1 520-849-0992
E-Mail: nicole@treatycouncil.org

Personal Recommendations:

- a) Brings seeds and good you would like to share or trade. There will be barter during the conference, as well as at the Corn and Native Seeds Fair.
- b) We stress, for the intense heat, bring sunblock, especially for those who are sensitive, a shirt of a light color and long sleeves, warm clothes (for low temperatures in the morning, afternoons and evenings).
- c) We stress, you bring personal hygiene products such as towel, soap, toothpaste and toothbrush as the lodging as lodging will be at the homes campesino families in the community and at these you will have pillows, blankets, sheets and a bathroom with hot water.
- d) To the participants from other countries, we suggest you exchange dollars to the national currency at the airport in México City, since there are no money exchange companies nor banks in the community. If you needed to do a money exchange you will have to go to Tlaxcala. You can refer to this link to see the approximate exchange you will receive when you exchange your currency into Mexican pesos: <https://www.cambiodolar.mx>

If you have any questions, please contact the following:

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We wish you a safe trip and look forward to your participation in what we trust will be a successful Corn Conference.