

WHV – Guardians of Chichén Itzá

Pre-hispanic City of Chichén Itzá, México

Cultural property inscribed on the List of World
Heritage since 1988

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Throughout its nearly 1,000-year history, different peoples have left their mark on the city. The fusion of Mayan construction techniques with new elements from central Mexico make Chichén Itzá one of the most important examples of the Mayan-Toltec civilization in Yucatán.

Project objectives:

The project aims to transmit the concepts and values of cultural heritage to young people. It also aims to sensitize the local communities regarding the importance of protecting the Archaeological Zone of Chichén Itzá.

Project activities:

The volunteers will be involved in tours, presentations, and workshops to gain a better understanding on World Heritage sites and learn about the pre-Columbian Mayan culture. The volunteers will learn handicraft techniques and elaborate a 'tzompantli'. They will also be trained on pre-historic painting techniques and create a wall painting on the site with children living in the surrounding areas. Additionally, the volunteers will conduct clean-up activities on the site by collecting trash in public areas.

Partners:

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