

WHV - Taller Barrial de Artes y Oficios

Historic Centre of Puebla, Mexico

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Founded in 1531, Puebla is situated at the foot of the Popocatepetl volcano. It has preserved its great religious structures such as the 16th–17th-century cathedral and fine buildings like the old archbishop's palace, as well as a host of houses with walls covered in tiles (azulejos).

Project objectives:

The project aims to encourage volunteers and local residents to contribute together to the restoration of the Historic Centre of Puebla that was damaged during an earthquake in September 2017.

Project activities:

By interacting with the local communities, whose insight will provide a deeper context of the site, the volunteers will get better understanding of the site. Together, they will analyze and identify damages caused by the earthquake, take photographs for the World Heritage site's records, and determine and classify the urgent interventions in the neighborhood. Under the guidance of the local government, they will also evaluate the material needed for reconstruction and be involved in workshops on ornamentation and structural construction techniques, which will help them to assist in the restoration of the identified damaged buildings.

Partners:

Neighbors of the Barrios, Faculty of Architecture of Benemerita Universidad Aitonoma de Puebla, Gerencia del Centro Historico y Patrimonio Cultural del Ayuntamiento de Puebla, Oxical company

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