WHV – Archaeological Zone of Xochicalco

Archaeological Monuments Zone of Xochicalco, Mexico

Cultural property inscribed on the List of World Heritage since 1999

Xochicalco is an exceptionally well-preserved example of a fortified political, religious and commercial centre from the troubled period of 650–900 that followed the break-up of the great Mesoamerican states such as Teotihuacan, Monte Albán, Palenque and Tikal.

Project objectives:

The project aims to sensitize the local communities about the importance of the World Heritage site. It also aims to encourage discussions among volunteers and stakeholders as well as to contribute to the maintenance and preservation of the site.

Project activities:

The volunteers will prepare and make presentations of the World Heritage sites from their respective countries in local schools to sensitize and generate discussions regarding Xochicalco’s future. Under the supervision of experts and the site management authorities, they will also participate in cleaning, sweeping, collection of organic wastes, and removing of noxious flora in landscaped areas of the archaeological zone open to the public. They will then be involved in repainting areas of infrastructure and services of the site’s museum.

Partners:

National Institute of Anthropology and History, Secretariat of Tourism of Morelos, Office of Tourism Miacatlan, Secretariat of Culture of Morelos, Mexican Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO, Local schools

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