

WHV – Intermunicipal World Heritage on the Slopes of the Popocatepetl

Earliest 16th-Century Monasteries on the Slopes of Popocatepetl, Mexico

Cultural property inscribed on the World
Heritage List in 1994

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These fourteen monasteries, standing on the slopes of Popocatepetl, are in an excellent state of conservation and are good examples of the architectural style adopted by the first missionaries who converted the indigenous populations to Christianity.

Project objectives:

The project aims to raise awareness and develop exchanges on the importance of protecting and preserving the heritage site in the villages of Zacualpan de Amilpas, Yecapixtla, Atlatlahucan, Totolapan and Tepoztlan, as well as to actively involve volunteers in the restoration work on the site components that were affected by the earthquake in September 2017.

Project activities:

The volunteers will participate in awareness-raising activities and have discussions with local students about the significance and diversity of their heritage. Following training on traditional masonry, construction and painting techniques, the volunteers will assist in cleaning and restoring the most damaged monasteries and churches under the supervision of the site management authorities.

Partners:

National Institute of Anthropology and History, Secretariat of Tourism and Culture of Morelos, the Municipalities of Zacualpan de Amilpas / Yecapixtla / Totolapan / Atlatlahucan / Tepoztlan, Migrants Club Raíces del Sur, Mexican Commission for Cooperation with UNESCO, Clerical authorities

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