WHV – Archaeological Zone of Xochicalco

Archaeological Monuments Zone of Xochicalco, Mexico

Cultural property inscribed on the World Heritage List 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 towards the importance of the World Heritage property, as well as to engage volunteers in the archaeological works and contribute to its maintenance and preservation and strengthen the synergies among different stakeholders and their roles in World Heritage protection and promotion.

Project activities:

The volunteers will present the World Heritage Education Programme and its activities to the local communities and motivate their involvement in World Heritage protection and promotion. They will also participate in the discussion of the site’s Annual Plan and support its dissemination. In addition, there will be various hands-on activities, such as maintaining the cleanliness of public areas through garbage classification, and cleansing of the permanent and temporary collections at the site museum.

Partners:

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

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