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WHV – Xochicalco

◆ Archaeological Zone Monuments of Xochicalco, Morelos, Mexico

To raise the awareness of local people about their heritages, 4 presentations about WH were presented English lessons were held in local schools, and WH maps were used to inform site managers about other WH sites. Approximately 120 children from 3 different communities attended these presentations and 60 children in the community of Tetlama benefited from the English lessons. All in all, 120 children and youth participated in volunteers-organized activities such as games, hiking and crafts makings.



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Volunteers also worked directly with employers of WH sites. 70 volunteers completed various assignments given by site managers including the renovation of WH sites such as walls in the Acropolis. During these processes volunteers and local residences shared their ideas. Many locals, for the first time considered volunteering for their own community as they realized the importance of their own heritage.

The project helped the organizers to be in contact and start collaboration with more than 85 others working at the WH sites. The Centre INAH Morelos, which is in charge of the preservation of the cultural heritage in the region, organised a meeting with the aim of creating spaces for dialogues among different actors. At the end, for the first time 15 experts met to share experiences and to prepare WHV Patrimonito 2011 campaign.

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Sources: for the description of the World Heritage site: UNESCO World Heritage List, <http://whc.unesco.org/en/list>

For the description of the activities: www.whvolunteers.org and www.ccivs.org