

Chantier international au Mexique

CODE/NAME	PLACE	DATES	TYPE	AGE	VOLS
VIVE01 /Preserving Cultural Heritage	Morelia City	04/04-20/04	CULT/RENO	18+	8

PROJECT: This will be the 7th year this project is organized in Morelia City; the aim of this project is to maintain the historic Morelia's downtown declared world's heritage by UNESCO to preserve all its splendor and beauty. Morelia is a beautiful colonial city built in "pink stone" it has a really nice weather, volunteers in past projects helped in different restoration activities and workshops to create awareness about the importance to preserve the World Cultural Heritage. The local host will be very happy of having a new group because of the very good memories of past volunteers and the very good results of this project. People in Morelia is really friendly, so if you are looking for a project in a very nice city with a lot of culture and history, to do something useful and make new friends this project is for you!

ACTIVITIES: Together with groups of local volunteers, the international volunteers will realize different activities to restore historical buildings, paint specific parts of the downtown as well as maintenance tasks such as restoration of ancient fountains. The local volunteers are looking forward to welcome the international volunteers to make a meaningful work but also to make friends and show the Mexican culture!

LEISURE POSSIBILITIES: There are many possibilities to organize leisure activities in Morelia <http://www.moreliainvita.com/> and close to the city. Morelia it's a 500 year old city and it is a very famous cultural place of Mexico, its well know by its history dated from the Mexico Independence and colony, Morelia is catalogued as a World Cultural Heritage by UNESCO and it's a city that has many cultural activities such as cinema, theater, music, night clubs, expositions and festivals. It is also very easy also to organize a weekend at the beach since it is 3 hours away from the pacific coast and also Morelia its very close to other beautiful places such as magic towns like Patzcuaro <http://www.patzcuaro.com/>, beautiful lakes such as Zirahuen <http://www.zirahuen.com/forest/> as well as natural reserves and other colonial cities such as Guanajuato <http://www.guanajuatocapital.com/ingles/index.html> and Queretaro <http://queretaro.travel/english>

PLACE: Morelia city is located in the center of Mexico, it is very well connected by bus and it's located very close to big cities such as Mexico City (3 hours), Guadalajara city (3.5 hours), Guanajuato City (2 hours) if you want to see a map follow this link. http://maps.google.com/maps?hl=es&q=Morelia&um=1&ie=UTF-8&hq=&hnear=Morelia,+MICH,+M%C3%A9xico&ei=56ZJTbndOYP6sAPuo4mTCg&sa=X&oi=geocode_result&ct=title&resnum=1&ved=0CCEQ8gEwAA

ACCOMMODATION: Volunteers will be hosted in a private house with all facilities at disposal: kitchen, hot water, etc. the food and accommodation will be provided by the host project but volunteers will be responsible of cooking and cleaning the place (please bring snacks and typical recipes from your country to share with the other volunteers!) It is possible to cook vegetarian food also.

CLOSEST AIRPORT: The biggest closest international airport is in Mexico City, the city of Morelia also has an international airport.

CAMP LANGUAGE: The official language of the workcamp is English, but some Spanish, would be appreciated.

EXTRA FEE: This camp has NO PARTICIPATION FEE.