

WHV - Chan Chan Archaeological Complex, PERU

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Project dates: from September 23rd to October 11th 2013

Description of the site:

Chan Chan Archaeological Complex, located in Trujillo, La Libertad is a worldwide icon for being a unique monument, a masterpiece of human ingenuity expression which shows the perfect relationship between the man and his environment. Chan Chan, by the uniqueness of their values is one of the

largest and most important prehispanic monuments built in America. Chan Chan is a city of mud-brick built by the Chimú culture in the 9th Century AD. The Chan Chan complex covers an area of approximately 20 km² and was constructed by the Chimor, the kingdom of the Chimú and lasted until its conquest by the Inca Empire in the year 1470. At its height, estimates place the population at 30,000. Even though it was declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1986, it is currently in poor condition and under continuous threats of invasion by looters and the damaging effects of nature. However, there are several efforts from governmental and civil society groups trying to preserve the archaeological site, as well as the history of this culture.

Place: Chan Chan Archaeological Complex, Huanchaco, Trujillo, La Libertad - Peru.

Number of volunteers: Volunteer Program Chan Chan must have 15 international young people and 15 national young people (Peruvian).

Cost of food and lodging: The basic program costs, food and lodging, are paid by the volunteer. For the 20 days there has estimated a cost of \$ 220 to be provided at time of arrival at the lodge.

Duration: The program lasts for three weeks (20 days). It will run from September 23 until October 11, 2013.

The tasks of the volunteer

- Organization and awareness workshops directed to nearby schools to Chan Chan.
- Performing cleanups at the archaeological site as part of the awareness campaign.
- Creation of promotional material about the history and daily life of the Chimu kingdom.

Organizer: UNESCO, World Heritage Volunteer (WHV) - Coordinating Committee for International Voluntary Service (CCIVS) – Proyecto Especial Complejo Arqueológico Chan Chan (PECACH).

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