Working with the Local Communities in Leon

VIVE19.01-19

Project details

Name: Working with the Local Communities in Leon

Type of work: Social project (SOCI)

Country: MÉXICO Location: LEON Address: Leon

Email: Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 0.0 EUR Languages: English

GPS location

GPS; lat: 21.1250665561235, lng: -101.681472402266

Description

Partner:

The objective of this workcamp is to help the local communities with recreational and restorative activities. The project is organized by the government institution Educafin. The project aims to bring the young volunteers from different countries together with the local youth of Guanajuato and create an intercultural atmosphere through collective work in order to help the sustainable development of the habitants.

Work:

Volunteers will be working primarily restorative activities at public spaces. Some of the activities will be painting, gardening, etc. Also, they will take part in workshops and lectures thus sharing with the members of the community. In addition, the volunteers will be participating in intercultural projects with the residents of the community and in the activities held at the local school.

Accomodation and food:

Volunteers will be hosted in a hotel in a shared room with all facilities at their disposal namely, private bathroom, hot water, internet.

Location and leisure:

The camp will be organized in Leon, Guanajuato. LeOn is the most populous city and municipality in the Mexican state of Guanajuato. It is one of the most important centers in Mexico with numerous opportunities for entertainment, gastronomy, leisure activities, arts, and recreation. It is also considered one of the most environmentally friendly cities in Mexico and has a high number of cyclists because of integrating a network of bike lanes.

The city of Leon is quite close to the state capital of Guanajuato which has the same name. Travelling there is like stepping back in time; the city is remarkable and offers visitors an authentic colonial experience amidst one of the most picturesque colonial backdrops to be found anywhere in Mexico. Guanajuato is clean, tidy, and very safe. Its cobbled streets twist and turn, so just walking around is an adventure. The citys maze-like layout often creates opportunities for serendipitous encounters, with visitors discovering things they had never planned to see, but are glad they did.

San Miguel de Allende is one of the most popular towns in Mexico both among Mexicans and the foreigners. It is located 100 kms from Leon. The town is a Unesco world Heritage site since 2008. It has a big expat community for that reason its colonial center is full with restaurants and bars. Despite being a small town, San Miguel has lots to offer and discover.

To learn more about San Miguel de Allende, you can check the link below;

https://www.lonelyplanet.com/mexico/northern-central-highlands/san-miguel-de-allende

To have more information regarding what to do in Guanajuato, you can check the following links;

https://www.mexperience.com/travel/colonial/guanajuato/

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Requirements:

This camp is open for young and motivated volunteers! If you would like to meet and become friends with Mexican people and get to know the Mexican culture better, this project is for you!

Additional information

Location:

Leon

How to get

Airport: LEN

Bus/train station: Leon Bus Station

Discovering the Soul of Mexico: Michoacan

VIVE19.02-19

Project details

Name: Discovering the Soul of Mexico: Michoacan

Type of work: Social project (SOCI) - Environmental (ENVI)

Country: MÉXICO
Location: MORELIA
Address: Morelia

Email: Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 0.0 EUR Languages: English

GPS location

GPS: lat: 19.7280675980464, lng: -101.195251464844

Description

Partner:

In the state of Michoacan, the low level of education, the deficiency of environmental awareness and the lack of intercultural engagement have hindered the development of local economy. This situation affects all levels of the society. For that reason, the institute of Tecnologico de Morelia engages in the efforts of organizing activities with the international volunteers and their students to promote entrepreneurship, multiculturalism and create a global vision. The institute has developed a methodology which helps creating life projects for the youth. For that purpose they focus on the prevention of bullying, dropping out of school and early pregnancies. On the other hand, there are environmental problems that require immediate action such as extinction of certain species of trees and animals due to deforestation and habitat loss. These two aforementioned issues will be the main focus of the workcamp.

Work:

The volunteers will be working with the students from the institute of Tecnologico de Morelia with the following schedule (daily from 09:00 until 14:00):

3rd July: Arrival of the volunteers, welcoming activities and orientation, organization of the tasks

4th and 5th July: Training at the ecological ranch La Planta where they will be working with children and adolescents 6th July: Leisure activities for the weekend, visiting Pueblos Magicos (traditional ancient villages); Patzcuaro, Santa Clara del Cobre, Cuanajo

7th July: Free day

8th-12th July: Organizing workshops and lectures about entrepreneurship, life projects, prevention of bullying, environmental awareness and multiculturalism with the children and the adolescents from elementary and middle public schools

13th July: Leisure activity, cultural tour $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{A}$; \hat{A} ; Purepecha $\tilde{A}\phi\hat{A}$; \hat{A} (indigenous community), visiting the villages of Quiroga, Santa Fe de la Laguna and Tzintzuntzan

14th July: Free day

15th July: Reforestation of ecological reserve â¿Â¿Cerro del Punhuatoâ¿Â

16th July: Departure of the volunteers

Accomodation and food:

Food and accommodation will be provided during the workcamp.

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VIVE19.02-19

Location and leisure:

Morelia, founded in 1541, was one of the first Spanish cities in Nueva España. The first viceroy, Antonio de Mendoza, named it Valladolid after the Spanish city and he encouraged Spanish nobility to move here with their families. In 1828, after Nueva España had become the Republic of Mexico, the city was renamed Morelia in honor of local hero Jose MariÂ-a Morelos y Pavon, a key figure in Mexicos independence.

Morelia is the state capital of Michoacan and its a dynamic and beautiful city. Also, Morelia is an increasingly popular destination, and rightly so: the colonial heart of the city is so well preserved that it was declared a Unesco World Heritage site in 1991, and its cathedral is not just gorgeous, its inspirational. You can walk in downtown which has many cultural activities and discover the variety of historic buildings and monuments.

To learn more about Morelia;

https://www.lonelyplanet.com/mexico/western-central-highlands/morelia http://whc.unesco.org/en/list/585/gallery/ As it can be seen in the program, there are leisure time activities planned for the volunteers already. In addition to that the volunteers can spend time in the centre of Morelia.

Requirements:

This camp is open for young motivated people who would like to help the development of local communities!

Additional information

Location:

Morelia

How to get

Airport: MLM

Bus/train station: Morelia Bus Station

SEA TURTLES Conservation III

VIVE19.05-19

Project details

Name: SEA TURTLES Conservation III

Type of work: Environmental (ENVI)

Country: MÉXICO

Location: RINCON DE GUAYABITOS

Address: Rincon de Guayabitos

Email: Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 180.0 EUR Languages: English

GPS location

GPS: lat: 21.021582397364, lng: -105.268593600854

Description

Partner:

Vive Mexico has been organizing this workcamp regularly in Rincon de Guayabitos, Nayarit since 2014. The main achievement of the project is to protect the sea turtles with the help of volunteers who will be cooperating with a team of biologists. Up to now, the project has been quite successful and has reached extraordinary results. Participating in sea turtle conservation is a great opportunity to discover the rather charming life of sea turtles.

Work:

The volunteers will be working at night from 20:00 to 08:00, four days per week with an average of thirty hours. Depending on the number of turtles that come ashore, two teams might be formed among the volunteers. In this way, each group will be taking turns, working one night and taking the next night off for recovery. In addition, the weekends are also spared for resting. Some of the activities to be performed are:

- 1. Finding adult turtles and collect their eggs.
- 2. Moving the eggs to a protected place called Vivero.
- 3. Releasing newborn baby turtles into the sea.
- 4. Patrolling the beaches at night.
- 5. Making some reconstruction in the most important turtle camps of the region.

If you love nature, want to have a great time by the beautiful beaches, at the same time enjoying all the amenities of a hotel and witnessing the magical spectacle of natural miracles that has been reoccurring since millions of years... then this project is for you!

Accomodation and food:

Volunteers will be hosted in a hotel in a shared room with all facilities at their disposal namely, private bathroom, hot water, swimming pool, WIFI, and air conditioning.

Location and leisure:

Rincon de Guayabitos, also known as Guayabitos, is a beach town located in the astonishing Sierra Madre Occidental, in the state of Nayarit and bathed by the waters of the Pacific Ocean. It is a popular tourist destination due to its proximity to the cities of Tepic, Guadalajara and Puerto Vallarta.

Riviera Nayarit is emerging as one of the most attractive and magic destinations of Mexico. The area extends approximately 300 kilometers along the coast, integrated by mountainous jungle and facing coastal islands. For those seeking a more rural and rustic experience with magic beach towns in Mexico, the Riviera has a massive open space for everyone along the Nayarit coast, also, for those who want to relax there are also quiet beaches and there are other beaches with heavy waves for surfers.

Read more: http://www.puertovallarta.net/fast_facts/magical-puerto-vallarta.php

SEA TURTLES Conservation III

VIVE19.05-19

Requirements:

Extra fee 180⿬

Additional information

Location:

Rincon de Guayabitos

How to get

Airport: PVR

Bus/train station: La Penita de Jaltemba Bus Station

Rescuing the Lake of Apizaco

VIVE19.06-19

Project details

Name: Rescuing the Lake of Apizaco

Type of work: Social project (SOCI) - Environmental (ENVI)

Country: MÉXICO
Location: APIZACO
Address: Apizaco

Email: Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 0.0 EUR Languages: English

GPS location

GPS: lat: 19.3979646973944, Ing: -98.123454698935

Description

Partner:

The state of Tlaxcala is a hidden gem located just two hours car-ride from Mexico City and thirty minutes from Puebla. The workcamp will be organized by the Youth Institute of the Municipality of Apizaco. Around the town, the lagoon of Apizaquito can be found. This lake is particularly important because certain species of migrant animals lodge there. It is also the home of endemic species of fish. Unfortunately, due to climate change, certain types of plants such as the tule plant grow rapidly and damage the nature of the lake. In order to fight this problem, the municipality, other associations and the foreign volunteers will engage in the rescue of this water body.

Work:

The volunteers will be taking part in the efforts to clean the lake. The activities will be reforestation, preservation of flora and fauna, raising awareness of the community regarding the situation.

Accomodation and food:

Food and hosting will be provided during the workcamp.

Location and leisure:

Apizaco is located in the state of Tlaxcala and it is around half hour away by car from the capital, Tlaxcala. The name of Apizaco comes from the local indigenous language of Nahuatl from the words "ATL" (water), "pitzahuac" (thin, smooth), and the suffix "co" (local).

During their free time, the volunteers can spend time in Tlaxcala which is the capital of the smallest state of Mexico. The states name is Tlaxcala as well. It has a small colonial downtown with a large student population, good restaurants and cafes with vibrant cultural life. As it is not far from the state of Mexico and Puebla, the volunteers can travel to both states by bus and discover the beautiful Mexico City and Puebla. To have more information about Tlaxcala;

https://www.lonelyplanet.com/mexico/east-of-mexico-city/tlaxcala

https://www.visitmexico.com/en/main-destinations/tlaxcala/tlaxcala

Requirements:

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Additional information

Location:

Apizaco

Rescuing the Lake of Apizaco

VIVE19.06-19

How to get

Airport: MEX

Bus/train station: Tlaxcala-Apizaco Bus Station (ATAH)

SEA TURTLES Conservation IV

VIVE19.07-19

Project details

Name: SEA TURTLES Conservation IV

Type of work: Environmental (ENVI)

Country: MÉXICO

Location: RINCON DE GUAYABITOS

Address: Rincon de Guayabitos

Email: Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 180.0 EUR Languages: English

GPS location

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Description

Partner:

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SEA TURTLES Conservation IV

VIVE19.07-19

Requirements:

Extra fee 180⿬

Additional information

Location:

Rincon de Guayabitos