

ANNUAL ACTIVITY REPORT 2019

ASSOCIATIVE ACTIVITIES

GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2019

In 2019, the General Assembly was held in the city of Cuautla, headquarters of the association, on Saturday, March 2. Thirty-three members attended the meeting during which they were informed of the activities carried out during the year as well as the financial result of the 2019 financial year. On this occasion, a debate was organized with the theme “International Volunteering in Historical Monuments”, and the priorities for the year were established as well as the Sustainable Development Goals that would be implemented by the association.



CUAUTLA RIVER FESTIVAL

AMVIAC participated in 2019 with a collective of Cuautla's civil society organizations that work for the protection of the Cuautla River, among other environmental and cultural actions. This year the association joined several actions of the Environmental and Cultural Coalition AC, and one of them was the Festival of the Cuautla River, which took place in three venues: Rivera del Río Cuautla, Ex-Hacienda de Coahuixtla and Plaza and Galeana Fort. The participation of members of the association was nourished and active.



OPENING AND INSTALLATION OF THE AMVIAC OFFICE

In collaboration with the 33Grados Arquitectos office, the association's recently opened office was decorated. A group of architects and architecture students participated in the creation of a mural which represents the nature and vocation of the association.



PRESENTATION IN THE UAEM FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE

The international volunteer presentations were made in various institutions throughout 2019.



NATIONAL VOLUNTEER PLATFORM (PLANAVOL)

Throughout the year, AMVIAC participated in the monthly meetings of PLANAVOL, which became PLAMEXVOL (Mexican Volunteer Platform).



PARTICIPATION IN FAIRS AND CULTURAL EVENTS

2019 was a very active year in which the participation of members of the association was very important and dynamic. We attended various events such as the closure of the Generation 2030 program and the 1st Fair of Associations of IMPAJOVEN, the Day for Peace organized by UNAM, a Fair of volunteers organized by the School of Social Work of UNAM, the celebration of Cuautla site, the Day of Good Deeds at UNAM, among others.



FIESTA DE LA MÚSICA 2019

For the fifth consecutive year, AMVIAC coordinated the Cuautla Music Festival. Members of the association performed various tasks from preparing snacks, setting up stages, registering participants, supporting musicians, among others. With the support of the Municipal Council and the sponsorship of various merchants, the needs of the event were met.



FIESTA DE LA MÚSICA 2019

Bands of all styles came together to celebrate music and to share their art with the citizens of Cuautla.



INTERNATIONAL WORKCAMPS



As every year AMVIAC coordinates with international partner organizations in the states of Chiapas, Yucatan and Morelos, international camps in which volunteers from different countries and Mexico participate. In 2019, 26 camps were organized lasting one weekend and two weeks. The projects were carried out in rural areas essentially although some were already in small cities and one in Mexico City. Local, national and international volunteers participated, especially from France, Belgium, South Korea, Spain, Japan, Russia, Poland and Germany.



INTERNATIONAL WORKCAMP

ADOBES MANUFACTURING WORKSHOPS AND HOUSE RECONSTRUCTION



In 2019 the association continued its collaboration with the RECONstruir a Mor group in the manufacture of adobes for the construction of houses in the municipalities of Totolapan, Miacatlán and Tlayacapan, in the state of Morelos, damaged by the 2017 earthquake.



ADOBES MANUFACTURING WORKSHOPS AND HOUSE RECONSTRUCTION



Totolapan was the main place where AMVIAC had a stake since significant progress was made in the construction work on the planned house. The bamboo roof was the material that was used for this house.



ADOBES MANUFACTURING WORKSHOPS AND HOUSE RECONSTRUCTION



Miacatlán was one of the municipalities in which AMVIAC collaborated with RECONStruir a Mor in the manufacture of adobe bricks for the construction of a house.



HIGHLIGHT AND RESTORATION OF THE AQUEDUCT OF THE FORMER HACIENDA OF NUESTRA SEÑORA DE LA CONCEPCIÓN

From July 12 to 25, 2019, the first international volunteer workcamp was held at the El Hospital aqueduct, in Cuautla, Morelos, in which volunteers from France, Belgium, South Korea and Mexico participated. With the authorization of INAH-Morelos, in collaboration with REMPART of France, the ejidal commissioner of El Hospital, Cuautla's Municipality, and the contribution of the Colleges of Civil Engineers of the East of the State of Morelos and of Morelos Architects, Section Cuautla A.C., this camp was successfully carried out.



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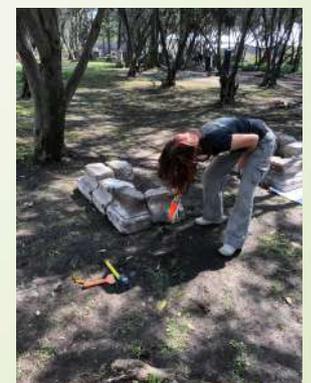


The aqueduct project has had constant participation of volunteers from different origins who have been grouping in weekend sessions since October 2019. We highlight the participation of members of the association in the cleaning work before the start of the restoration. The cleaning was carried out in collaboration with inhabitants of the town of El Hospital.



FORMER CONVENT OF SAN BERNARDINO OF SIENA IN XOCHIMILCO

In the framework of the collaboration between AMVIAC, the National Coordination of Historical Monuments of INAH, the French association REMPART, the Embassy of France in Mexico, a restoration company, and a local group of citizens, an international workcamp was carried out for two weeks in October. Various works were carried out with a diverse team including stone carving, masonry, selection and registration of pieces fallen during the earthquake, among others.



VOLUNTEERS ABROAD



As every year, Mexican volunteers participated in projects abroad, in 2019 they went to India, Spain, France, Belgium, Thailand and Bahrain. 24 Mexican volunteers were sent by AMVIAC to various countries in social, restoration, environmental and educational projects



FRENCH CIVIC SERVICE



This year, AMVIAC consolidated its collaboration with the French association Solidarités Jeunesses and materialized by sending three Mexican volunteers to projects within the framework of the French Civic Service Program. The projects were carried out by Jenifer, Carol and Samanta at La Maison des Bateleurs, Le Château des Pureaux and Réseau d'Entraide Volontaire in the communities of Montendre, Le Créneau and Beauvoisin respectively. The duration of their volunteering was 6 to 8 months.



PARTNERSHIP INAH-AMVIAC



In early 2019, a collaboration began with the National Coordination of Historical Monuments of INAH and the French Embassy in Mexico from the cooperation between AMVIAC and the REMPART Union of France. This collaboration was manifested in the implementation of two international volunteer projects in the Aqueduct of the Ex Hacienda de la Concepción in the ejido of El Hospital in Cuautla, Morelos and in the ex-convent of San Bernardino de Siena in Xochimilco.



PARTNERSHIP

REMPART-AMVIAC



During 2019 the collaboration with the REMPART association was consolidated with the participation of members of AMVIAC in restoration projects of the castles of Berzy le Sec, Calmont and Villandraut as well as in the Fort of Esseillon. REMPART sent a camp leader and 7 volunteers to the El Hospital Aqueduct project and the president of that organization, the international delegate and two leaders of projects for the restoration of historical monuments attended a volunteer workcamp in the former San Bernadino convent in Siena in Xochimilco.



PARTNERSHIP UNAM-AMVIAC



This collaboration stems from a meeting between Gabriela Granados, a student at the UNAM Faculty of Architecture, with members of AMVIAC in an adobe manufacturing session in Totolapan. Gabriela immediately participated in a volunteer program in France and upon her return she made a link with one of the faculty managers, which led to the presentation to architecture students of the volunteer program in historical monuments followed by a visit to the El Hospital aqueduct project by professor Astrid Cortés. Finally, this collaboration materializes with the participation of a group of students from the faculty in the restoration of the aqueduct.



The formalization of this collaboration was carried out with the signing of a cooperation agreement between the Faculty of Architecture of UNAM and AMVIAC in December 2019 so that students from that institution can carry out practices in the aqueduct project with the aim of complementing their academic learning and acquiring a field experience not only in the constructive question but in all the social, economic, tourist and environmental aspects that the project entails.



EUROPEAN PROGRAM ERASMUS +

SIMPSON PROJECT – ALBANTA A.C., KIEKARE AND VIVA

In 2019, AMVIAC continued its participation in the Erasmus + program of the European Commission in a multilateral project called SIMPSON, coordinated by the Cazalla association of Spain. Six volunteers from Poland, Spain and France were integrated into projects coordinated by our partner organizations in Jalisco (Kiekare), Morelos (Albanta A.C.) and Chiapas (VIVA).



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SIMPSON PROJECT – CAZALLA AND PISTES SOLIDAIRES

Within the framework of the same SIMPSON project, two Mexican volunteers participated in projects coordinated by our partner organizations in the cities of Lorca in Spain and Pau in France. These projects lasted 6 months and were a very enriching and educational experience for the two AMVIAC volunteers.



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An evaluation of the SIMPSON project was also carried out in the coastal city of Phuket in Thailand. They attended representing AMVIAC, Jara Molina and Maurice Edgar Aguilar.



WORLD HERITAGE VOLUNTEERS

ANCIENT MONASTERIES OF THE XVI c. ON THE SLOPES OF THE POPOCATEPETL



AMVIAC once again participated in the UNESCO and CCSVI (Coordination Committee of the International Voluntary Service) program, integrating young volunteers to carry out preservation and awareness-raising work for the population on the importance of protecting cultural heritage. National and international volunteers carried out various tasks in the ex-convents of Zacualpan de Amilpas, Yecapixtla, Atlatlahucan, Totolapan and Tepoztlán



ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE OF XOCHICALCO

From July 14 to 27, 2019, an international camp was held again within the framework of the World Heritage Volunteers program. Volunteers from France, Spain and Mexico carried out cleaning and enhancement of the Xochicalco archaeological zone as well as the Site Museum. They also carried out awareness-raising work for the population on the importance of protecting cultural heritage.



FAMILY REUNIONS PROGRAM



Since 2018 AMVIAC cooperates with the Raicess del Sur Migrant Club. Both associations carry out a family reunion program in which parents of migrants are accompanied in the process of obtaining their visa for the United States and once obtained they are taken to the neighboring country of the north so that they can go visit their children, those who have not seen for periods of 10, 15, 20 and up to 30 years.



COLLABORATION WITH RAICES DEL SUR AND CASA GUÍAS DE MÉXICO

In the framework of the Family Reunions program, a cooperation was established with the Casa Guías of Mexico, an organization that made its facilities available to carry out the preparation meetings of the parents of migrants prior to their appointment at the US embassy. This collaboration has been essential for the proper development of the program due to the convenience of locating the space and the warmth and efficiency of the people who work there.

ESTRATEGIC PARTNERS



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