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Sacred Heart International Service Project

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**San Luis Potosí,
Mexico**

Who are the Religious of the Sacred Heart?

The Society of the Sacred Heart is a group of nearly 3500 Catholic women religious serving in over 500 communities in 45 countries. Our **mission** is to discover, live and announce God's love through the service of education, in diverse works, particularly addressing the needs of children, young people, women and those in society who are marginalized.

Religious of the Sacred Heart (RSCJs) have been connecting people internationally for over 200 years. Through the **Sacred Heart International Service Project** we bring together an international group of young adults who are committed to **social change through action**. Past participants have come from Canada, Mexico, the Dominican Republic, Puerto Rico, Cuba, and the United States.

Volunteers engage in service and cultural exchange through work with children, teens and women in San Luis Potosí, Mexico. The service experience is further strengthened by reflection and workshops on such topics as Globalization, Immigration, Popular Education, and more. Volunteers work in the RSCJ-sponsored *Programa de Educación Popular/Iyolosiwa*.



What does a Sacred Heart volunteer do?

Volunteers **work** with children, teens and women in a poor area of San Luis Potosí, Mexico.

Volunteers **live** in pairs with families known by local RSCJs. They come to know first-hand the human face behind the social need and experience a deep sense of community.



Because we strongly believe in the transformative power of education and because this experience is an educative one, volunteers **reflect** on all that they are living, seeing and discovering about themselves and others.



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Service Program Components:

- Service
- Reflection
- Intercultural Exchange
- Community
- Workshops

Requirements:

- 18 years or older
- Conversational Spanish
- Application form including two references
- Flexibility & openness to other cultures

Costs:

- Roundtrip airfare to San Luis Potosí, Mexico
- Program participation fee (\$250 USD), which includes cost of food, local transportation, support to host families, and materials

