

The Iraq Heritage Stabilization Program: 2018-2020

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The Iraq Heritage Stabilization Program (IHSP)—based in the University of Pennsylvania's Department of Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations—facilitates the mitigation of the impacts of genocide, cultural cleansing, and conflict in northern Iraq through the preservation and protection of cultural heritage sites. Since 2018, IHSP has partnered with Iraqi stakeholders to document site conditions, focusing initially on the cultural heritage sites of minority communities, and to implement stabilization and restoration projects in Mosul and towns in the surrounding Nineveh Plains. This paper provides an overview of the Program and discusses ongoing projects funded by the U. S. Department of State and the ALIPH Foundation.