The Deboche Project
Annual Board Meeting – Photo Update
November 2, 2018
2013
- PROJECT VETTED
- AWB TEAM FORMS
- COMMUNITY SURVEY FUNDED BY SPONSOR
- PROJECT RESEARCH BEGINS
- FALL: ANDREA & COREY VISIT & PHOTO DOCUMENT DEBOCHE

2014
- AWB PROJECT CHARETTE
- MASTER PLAN
- DESIGN DEVELOPMENT
- SPONSOR TEAM BEGINS SUBMITTING GRANT APPLICATIONS USING AWB DESIGNS/RESEARCH
- LAURA TRAVELS TO DEBOCHE

2015
**EARTHQUAKE & IMPACTS**
- NUNNERY IS DAMAGED!
- NUNS TEMPORARILY MOVE TO NEARBY HOUSING
- CONSTRUCTION COSTS SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE, INFLATING PROJECT BUDGET
- PROJECT SCOPE IS REDUCED.
- REDESIGN BEGINS
- FUNDRAISING TEMPORARILY ON HOLD WHILE DONORS DIRECT FUNDING TOWARD EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS & RECONSTRUCTION.

2016
- LOCAL RECONSTRUCTION WORK ON NUNNERY CONTINUES
- GRANTS CONTINUE TO LAG DUE TO EARTHQUAKE IMPACTS
- SPONSOR Hires NEPAL STRUCTURAL ENGINEER
- FOCUS ON STRUCTURAL OPTIONS/PROJECT COSTS
- JOE VISITS DEBOCHE ON WAY TO EBC PROJECT

2017
- PEMA CHODRON FOUNDATION DONATES $50,000!
- LAURA TRAVELS TO DEBOCHE WITH SPONSOR TEAM
- JUNE: CONSTRUCTION BEGINS!
- END OF OCTOBER: BUILDING SHELL IS ENCLOSED FOR THE WINTER. PROJECT PLACED ON HOLD DURING COLD SEASON
- FUNDRAISING CONTINUES

2018
- JUNE: CONSTRUCTION STARTS BACK UP. FOCUS ON INTERIOR FINISHES, STOVES, CABINETRY, ETC...
- PEMA CHODRON FOUNDATION DONATES ANOTHER $25,000! ADDITIONAL FUNDRAISING CONTINUES.
- NUNS BEGIN TO USE “FINISHED” COMMUNITY ROOM IN NEW BUILDING!
- CONSTRUCTION TO CONTINUES INTO FALL
Early Summer 2017    Dedication Ceremony / Ground Breaking
2017 Construction Progress
Fall 2018 Construction Progress - South Facing
Fall 2018 Construction Progress - Dining/Community Room
Fall 2018 Construction Progress - Dining/Community Room
Fall 2018 Construction Progress- Kitchen
Fall 2018 Construction Progress – Nun’s Private Residences
Fall 2018 Construction Progress - Misc. Areas in Progress

- SHOWER ROOM
- STAIR TO UPPER LEVEL – CLASSROOM AND FLEX ROOM
- FOOD & GENERAL STORAGE ROOM - ADJACENT TO KITCHEN
SITE PLAN - CURRENT AND FUTURE

PROPOSED LOCATION OF FUTURE MEDITATION / LEARNING CENTER

FUTURE NEW NUN'S RESIDENCE - (5) UNITS, (1-LEVEL)

(FUTURE) RESTORED RESIDENCE

NEW CONSTRUCTION: 1 LEVEL + 2 LEVEL BUILDING:

Lower Level:
- COOKING AREA
- DINING/COMMUNITY ROOM
- (4) NUNS RESIDENCES
- TOILETS/SHOWER

Upper Level:
- TEACHING AREA
- GUEST QUARTERS / FLEX USE

DEBOCHE NUNNERY AUGUST 18, 2017
When completed, this building will provide a safe, warm and protective shelter, a new kitchen and dining room, the resident nuns and modern sanitary facilities and beautiful spaces for study and practice for both those visiting from other convents.

It will also provide a place to gather and celebrate Tibetan/Sherpa culture and Buddhist traditions for the people living within the Everest region.

And most importantly, it will renew, revitalize and celebrate a special place realized long ago as one of the most sacred places in the Nepal Himalaya.