



Update on Mass Migration Crisis

Ongoing Efforts



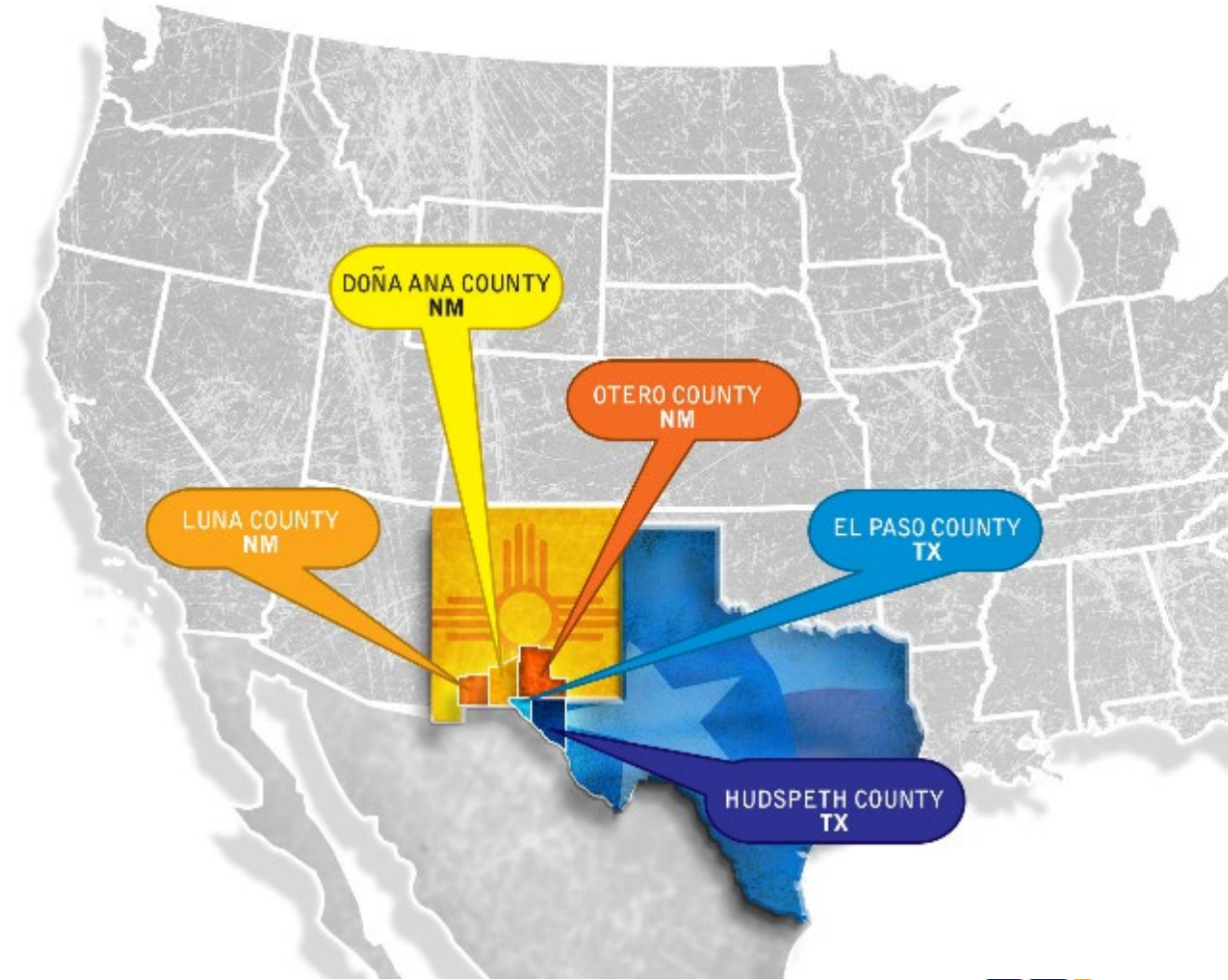
Current Situation

- Increase in CBP daily apprehensions/encounters
 - 2,040 7-day avg. (20% increase)
 - 70% Venezuelan nationals
- Increase in Daily releases to NGO
 - 921 last 7-day avg.
- Un-sponsored Migrants
 - 50% Sponsored/Means of Travel vs 50% Un-sponsored
- Street Releases
 - None since Sept 15

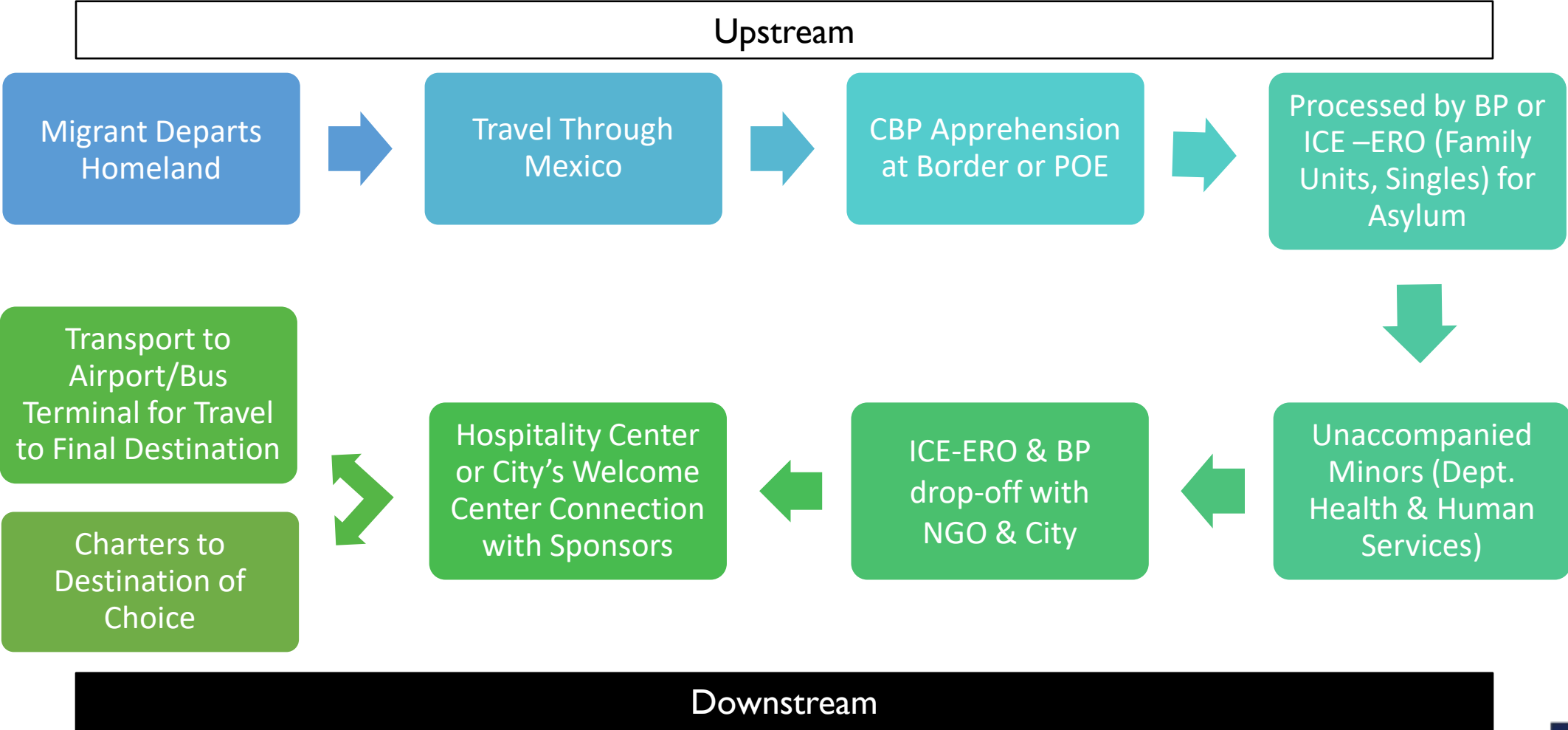


Mass Migration Crisis - Inherent Challenges

1. Regional Isolation
2. Limited Transportation Hub
3. Limited Shelter Capacity
4. Migration Routes



Current Release Process



2022 Release Statistics



Month	Daily	Weekly	Month
April	230	2,200	7,200
May	300-400	2,400-2,700	11,500
June	200-400	2,000-2,900	8,834
July	200-250	1,500-2000	7,982
August	300-350	2,500	9,226
Sept	600-900	6,100+	21,610
Oct	1000 avg.	6,700+	6,700 YTD

About Our People

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How the City of El Paso is Helping



The City of El Paso and OEM provide support for sponsored and unsponsored migrants by providing food, shelter, first aid, and transportation assistance for travel.



Difference between Sponsored and Un-sponsored Migrants

Sponsored Migrants:

Are migrants with a relative, friend, or contact that can provide financial support for travel arrangements, housing, and other needs.

Difference between Sponsored and Un-sponsored Migrants

Un-sponsored Migrants:

Are migrants without relatives, friends, or a point of contact to provide financial support for travel arrangements, housing, or other basic needs.

How the City of El Paso and OEM is Helping Sponsored Migrants

Sponsored migrants are typically processed within a couple of hours at the Welcome Center but also at NGO shelters (hospitality sites).

They are provided support to connect with sponsors to make same-day travel arrangements, food, first aid, hotel shelter (if needed), and transportation to airport or bus stations.

How the City of El Paso is Helping Un-sponsored Migrants

It takes longer to process unsponsored migrants as they have no point of contact or financial support.

The City and OEM process and work with NGOs shelters (hospitality sites) to find a destination for unsponsored migrants.

Un-sponsored migrants are provided food, first aid, hotel shelter (if needed), and transportation to their destination cities via charter.

Building a Coalition of Border Cities

On September 30, City Officials and Representatives met with Border Communities and NGOs in Brownsville and McAllen, Texas.

The goal was to share resources and ideas on how to best handle the Migrant Crisis.



Building a Coalition of Border Cities

Report on Migrants released in the month of September, by city:

Del Rio:	2,277
Eagle Pass:	14,854
Laredo:	15,900
Rio Grande Valley:	5,966
Brownsville:	14,392



Receive 10% or less in unsponsored migrants

Building a Coalition of Border Cities

Migrants released in El Paso region for the month of
September:

El Paso

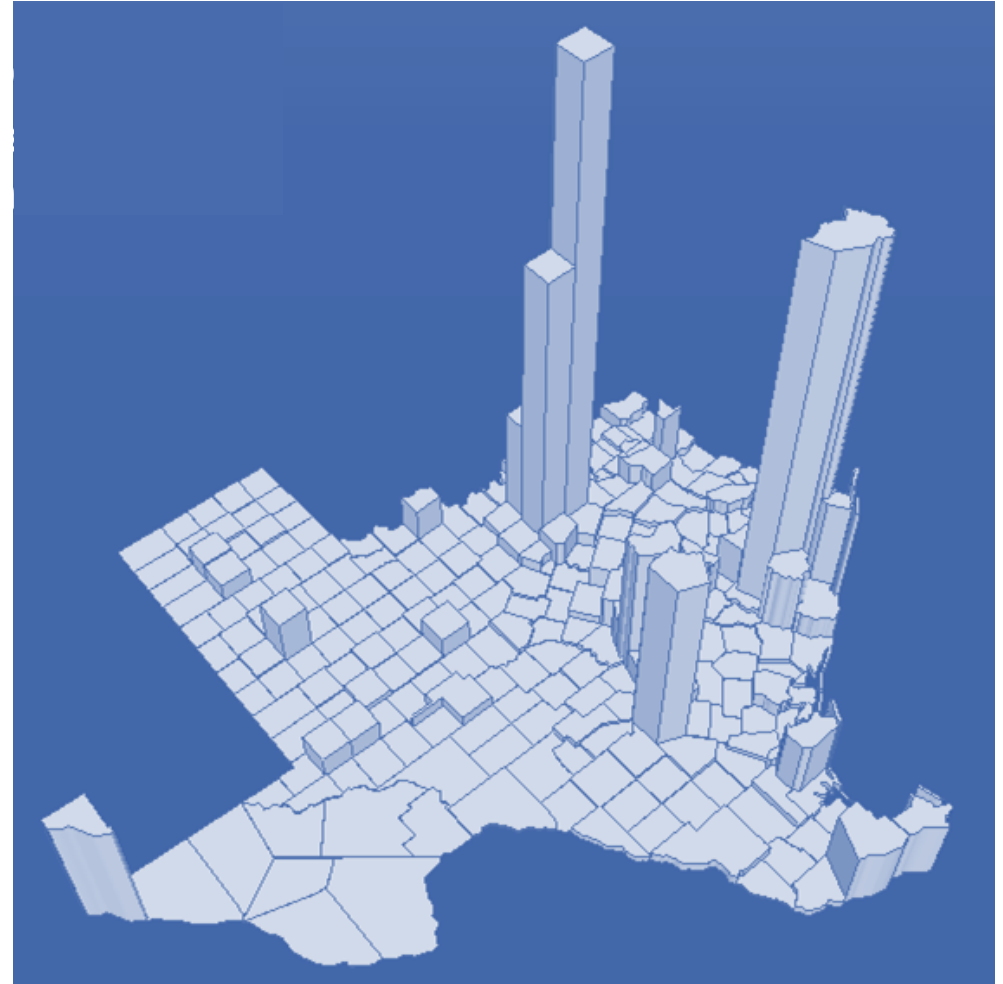
26,000

El Paso faces a unique challenge, as OVER 50% of the
migrants we receive are unsponsored.

Understanding the Migrant Crisis in El Paso

El Paso is in an isolated region compared to cities in the Rio Grande Valley.

As a result, our charter buses must travel farther to reach destination cities and other larger travel hubs like San Antonio, Austin, Houston, thus driving up the cost of transportation.



Key Areas – How we are helping

1. Welcoming
2. Sheltering Hotels
3. Feeding
4. Transportation
5. City Staffing for NGOs Shelters



Welcoming

- Safety and Well-Being
- Dignity and respect
- Meet basic needs
- Tailoring resources

City Migrant Welcome Center



Transportation

- Sun Metro
 - Airport/Bus Station
 - Shelters to Welcome Center
- Charters
 - All City sponsored
 - 207 Charters (Oct 6)
 - 9,800+ Un-sponsored Migrants



Charter Coordination



Daily Manifests & Real-time ETAs

- Chicago
 - Local and State Emergency Management
 - NGO Interfaith Community for Detained Immigrants
- NYC
 - NYC Mayor's Office
 - NGO Grannies Respond
 - Emergency Management

Sheltering

- NGO Sheltering (Hospitality Sites)
 - Hospitality Sites
 - 50 City Staff Embedded to Provide Support
 - Surge Hotels
- City Sheltering
 - OEM Emergency Sheltering Hotels
 - 2 Hotels
 - Includes meals, police security and shuttle transportation
 - COVID Isolation and Quarantine Hotel
 - NGO Hospitality Sites
 - Homeless Shelters



Hotels vs Emergency Shelter

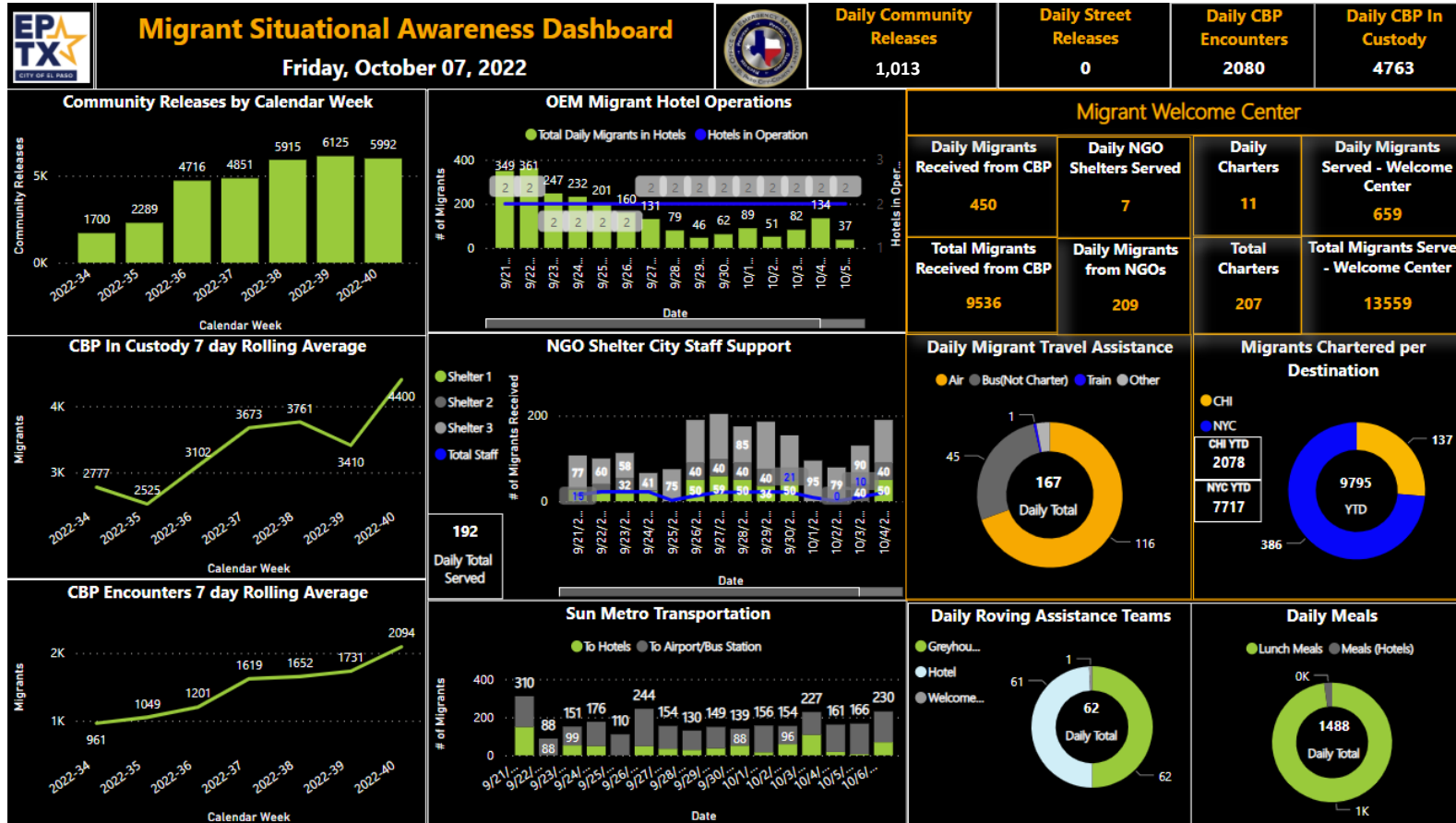
- Scale-to-need and incident
- Hotels offer privacy, dignity, and essential needs (restrooms, showers, safety)
 - Total estimated costs - \$533,713 per month or \$17,790 per day
 - Cost per person – \$3,558 per month or \$118 per day
- Emergency Congregate Sheltering requires an extensive wrap-around of staff, services, and resources (500 people)
 - Total estimated costs - \$2.5 million per month or \$83,535 per day
 - Cost per person - \$5,000 per month or \$167 per day

Feeding

- Emergency Sheltering Hotels
- Migrant Welcome Center
- Charter Operation
- Isolation and Quarantine
- Staff Embedded
 - EFH Food Bank
 - Salvation Army



Dashboard



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Cost Recovery

- FEMA Emergency Food and Shelter Program
 - Expended
 - Reimbursed



Cost Recovery

Date	Status	Estimated Amount*
3rd Quarter July – Sept. (as of 9/30/2022)	Pending Reimbursement	\$4.60 million
Oct 2022 (as of 10/6/2022)	Pending Reimbursement	\$1.56 million
Total Costs Since July 1, 2022	Pending Reimbursement	\$6.16 million

*All costs provided are estimates until expenses have been finalized as part of a reimbursement application.

\$2 million upfront funding has not been received as of Oct. 5

FEMA Coordination

Presented on 9/27/2022



Coordinated with Congresswoman Veronica Escobar's Office to request the following from the Emergency Food & Shelter National Board Program:

- Improve/shorten the reimbursement turnaround time
- Provide funding in advance:
 - Requested \$10 million to cover peak expenditures
 - Verbal notification on September 20 that \$2 million would be awarded to the City
 - Email received on October 4 from the Emergency Food and Shelter Program stated they have to wait until current grants are complete before working on another grant. No timeline provided as to when upfront funds will be sent to the City
- Flexibility in eligible cost for reimbursements such as personnel and transportation costs

Emergency Food & Shelter National Board Program



- FEMA-funded program authorized by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act of 1987
- Funding made available under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security Appropriations Act 2022 for a total of \$150 million
- Board is composed of representatives from American Red Cross, Catholic Charities USA, The Jewish Federations of North America, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA, The Salvation Army, United Way Worldwide and FEMA as the board chair.
- Board “strongly encourages collaboration among nonprofit and government agencies to ensure a whole community approach in assisting these families and individuals crossing the Southwest Border and encountered by the DHS.”

Emergency Food & Shelter National Board Program



Humanitarian Relief Funding Guidance:

Expenses for long distance transportation will be prioritized for up to 30% of the migrant population served (unless otherwise permitted by the National Board). Local organizations should work with the sponsors of individuals and families to ensure funding is provided for migrants to reach their destination. Only coach class fares are eligible when providing long-distance transportation.

- First time OEM has provided a large number of long-distance transportation.
- A clarification of the calculation regarding the population served was requested
- An exception from this travel cap of 30% was requested
- As of 10/5/2022 we are still pending a response.

Humanitarian Relief Funding Guidance Addendum received 9/27/2022 (effective 9/22/2022)



Mission

Deliver exceptional services to support a high quality of life and place for our community



Vision

Develop a vibrant regional economy, safe and beautiful neighborhoods and exceptional recreational, cultural and educational opportunities powered by a high performing government



Values

Integrity, Respect, Excellence, Accountability, People