

TRES RIOS
BORDER FOUNDATION

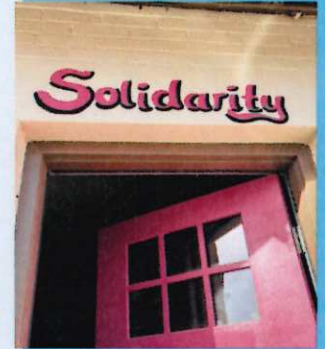
Border Ministry Update

Winter 2025

Hospitality is Never on Hold

Greetings Partners and Supporters,

The borderland is always changing and at this time, there is much uncertainty and dismay. Those wishing to immigrate through the legal pathways of asylum seeking and refugee resettlement have been put on pause since mid January. People on the move usually released to the city of El Paso for hospitality or transportation to their next destination have dropped to zero. Shelters and services have dwindled and shut down. As we wait for the next policies to be put into place, we know that people are still waiting, fearing for safety, and having needs that are harder to meet when one is stuck in a system they cannot escape. Mexico is preparing to welcome Mexican citizens back, yet there are many who still need assistance. In Juarez, we assist those who are staying and waiting for the US Government to open a system back up, those who will be trying to find work and set up residency in Mexico, and those who are out of hope and returning back to places they fled due to violence, land disruption, or economic hardship. A time like now is one to lift up your voice in support of our immigrant neighbors, affirming in their humanity as image bearers of God. In peace, grace, and solidarity,
Rev. Marta Pumroy



Help the River of Humanity to Flow

To meet the needs of those who are stuck, fleeing, or on the move, we continue to strive to build hope for those experiencing migration.

There are different levels to participate financially in our mission to connect PCUSA congregations -and more- to the US/Mexico Border -and beyond.

Tres Rios Border Foundation understands that justice flows like water and any amount of current pushes the stream forward.

We need to help this "water" to move, and allow the people to flow freely, safely, lovingly into communities pouring out with hospitality and shared resources.

How are you, your congregation, or your community group being called to join the movement of people on the move?

Movement	Amount Groups	Amount Individuals	2024 Groups	2025 Groups	2024 Individuals	2025 Individuals
Bubbling	1-499	1-100	6	1	9	2
Rippling	500-2,499	101-499	11	3	11	0
Rolling	2,500-9,999	500-999	4	0	4	1
Rushing	10,000-19,999	1000-4,999	1	1	4	4
Pouring Out	20,000+	5,000+	2	0	2	1

Helping the Helpers with Leader Care Meeting the needs with Direct Support

The board of TRBF at the end of 2024 dispersed funds to our hospitality partners to support in a variety of ways:

Leadercare in the form of family connection and transportation assistance. A few shelter leaders in Juarez were able to visit family who they had not seen in over 4 years due to the full time demands of serving in a shelter. We assisted with car care for those who serve, helping to transport those in their care. (See photos on right)

At another site in Juarez, we assisted with the salaries of a **social worker and psychologist** who bring healing to those who experienced sexual assaults and violence on their journey. During the months of January and February, the psychology and social work team managed to attend to 38 people on the move, 17 men and 21 women, whose ages range from 3 to 90 years of age, the majority being adults between 30 and 45 years old.

We funded **Technology** for our partner in Juarez to assist those serving in the shelters, as well as those living in the shelters, with education, documentation applications, and employment skills training.

The foundation assist ed with **Employment Application Documentation (EAD) workshops** helping over 700 people with a 98% success rate. The work permit workshops enable migrants to apply for work documents so that they may work legally. Due to the pause in immigration, this site is now assisting with English classes and serves as a hub for those who already made it into El Paso.

In **2024** we were able to assist with **\$52,000** in direct support.

Our **2025 goal is \$60,000**. This year, we have continued supporting our hospitality sites AND assisted with water utility bills for 12 shelters in Juarez who had lost funding or had to shift funding due to cuts in other areas.

We appreciate your prayers and we appreciate your generosity to truly welcome our neighbors.

Matthew 25:35

For information on presentations, border encounters or how to financially support direct mission, visit:
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