

Border Immersion FAQs

- **Price:** \$100 per participant per day. This includes all accommodations, meals, programming, and honorariums as one package.
- **Accommodations:** House with 6 bedrooms, 18 beds (linens, pillows, & blankets), towels, two bathrooms with showers, washer, and dryer
- **Age Suggestions:** High school through adults
- **Recommended Group Size:** 7-14 (minimum 7)
- **Time of Year:** BSC hosts groups throughout the entire year except for December 20 – January 3. Spring break times (March) are typically the busiest time of year.
- **Capacity:** It is sometimes possible for us to host two groups simultaneously. The second group will be provided with different accommodations by one of our partner organizations. Overlapping groups may be paired to receive **parallel programming**, in which some presentations are shared and some presentations are given to each group separately.
- **Transportation:** Each group is responsible for renting their own vehicle(s) for use during the week.
- **Reserving Your Immersion:** Groups can send an email to mica@bscnm.org to tentatively reserve their Immersion dates. A \$500 deposit and signed Reservation paperwork (due 1-2 months prior to the Border Immersion) is required to confirm the reservation.
- **Programming:** The intention of the Border Immersion is to allow participants to experience the borderlands in a variety of capacities. For this reason, each Border Immersion day includes a presentation from a government entity, a presentation from a humanitarian aid organization, and a chance to hear someone's personal migration story. Programming typically starts after breakfast and concludes before dinner. This ensures that participants have time in the evenings for group/individual reflections and downtime. *Schedules are subject to change due to the unpredictable nature of border work.*
- **Pre-Immersion Information:** One month prior to their Border Immersion, groups will receive a tentative schedule and pre-arrival information. At this time, groups will also have a chance to meet with BSC to ask questions.
- **Identification Documents:** All participants must bring correct documentation of their citizenship or immigration status, even if the group will not be traveling into Mexico. (Please contact us with any questions.)
- **COVID:** All Border Immersion participants are required to be fully vaccinated for COVID and must adhere to local, state, and federal COVID guidelines (mask mandates, social distancing, etc.).

Other border immersion opportunities we'd recommend:

El Paso Region

- [Iglesia Luterana Cristo Rey](#)
- [Annunciation House](#)
- [Columban Mission Center](#)

Other Parts of the Borderlands

- [Kino Border Initiative](#)
- [BorderLinks](#)

