



**The border is closed!** Since noon on January 20, 2025, there has been no legal way for migrants to cross the border.

**Our OSP-IHM border ministry is not closed!** We continue to accompany migrants on both sides of the border, in Texas and in Reynosa, Mexico, relying on our charism of Creative Hope.

**We are blessed to minister in a variety of ways by:**

<p><b>Supporting spiritually and emotionally those migrants left behind in shelters in Mexico.</b> Migrants sold all they had and have nothing to return to.</p> 	<p><b>Food shopping for migrants in shelters in Mexico.</b> Cuts in USAID have affected shelters in Mexico.</p> 	<p><b>Organizing activities with children in shelters in Mexico.</b> Many migrants cannot return to their country because of violence.</p> 
<p><b>Offering Mental Health workshops for mothers in shelters in Mexico and in Texas.</b></p> 	<p><b>Encouraging creativity through arts and crafts for those waiting for court appointments in Texas.</b></p> 	<p><b>Serving the documented and undocumented at Guadalupe Food and Clothing Pantry in Texas.</b></p> 

Don't miss this article: [How Clergy Can Change Immigration Court in California & Texas - The Barbed Wire](#)

***Welcome, volunteers!***

The OSP-IHM Border Mission has been ministering to migrants for three years. We hope that sisters and associates will continue to collaborate with us as we accompany our migrant brothers and sisters on both sides of the border. Sisters who would like to volunteer may speak to their congregational leader about financing their trip and time of service. The dates that are available to volunteer in Fall 2025 are:

- September 23 - October 7*
- October 25 - November 8*
- November 22 - December 6*

Please contact Sister Rose Patrice Kuhn (215-313-7753) or Sister Mary Elaine Anderson (570-575-2325) to make sure that your preferred dates have not been filled.