

Good afternoon!

Your generosity resulted in another delivery on Saturday of over 6,000 pounds of much needed food, clothing, and Dignity Kits to our brothers and sisters at the border. The truckload included 2,200 pounds of pinto beans from Schwebach Farm in Morarity, 291 cases of food and water, 1,268 Dignity Kits, 125 Children's Kits, 2 boxes of Days for Girls feminine hygiene kits from Los Alamos, 7 boxes of sheets, blankets and towels, 2 boxes of baby blankets, bibs and burp cloths handcrafted by Roxanne Westdyk, 3 boxes of children's clothing, 17 boxes/bags of assorted clothing (most of which were donated by United Church of Los Alamos, Second Presbyterian Church in Albuquerque, and Rio Rancho Presbyterian Church), 3 boxes of games, puzzles, children's books, crayons, etc., 100 tote bags, and 4 cases of COVID home test kits. As always, we were met by Dr. Moya and her unbelievable team of volunteers, who unloaded the truck and began filling their vehicles with items they would immediately transport to shelters and migrant processing centers for distribution to those in need. Dr. Moya's team included Father Peter and two of his parishioners from St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church in El Paso. Father Peter's church houses the Immigrant and Refugee Project sponsored by the Augustinians of the Assumption, who provide shelter, food, and transportation assistance to those asylum seekers transiting through El Paso. They expressed their gratitude to the supporters of the Dignity Mission for assisting them in their humanitarian work. We have attached some photos of this most recent delivery and the wonderful people involved.

The migration crisis remains in the news. Last week J. Kevin Appleby, acting executive director of the Center for Migration Studies in New York, wrote an article for the National Catholic Reporter under the headline "Twenty years ago, US and Mexican bishops called for immigration reform. It still hasn't happened." He points to cultural fear and a lack of a powerful constituency as a hindrance to the effort for meaningful reform. As the Hope Border Institute's latest Frontera Dispatch summarized the article: "We are now left in a cycle of political posturing that denies individuals basic human rights while not solving any of the issues within our immigration system." We encourage you to read Kevin Appleby's complete article at

[Twenty years ago, US and Mexican bishops called for immigration reform. It still hasn't happened. | National Catholic Reporter \(ncronline.org\)](#)

We are committed to doing whatever we can to ease the suffering of at least some of those individuals and families who are fleeing violence to find safety and a better life for themselves and their families. There are tens of thousands of them just 300 miles from us along the border near El Paso/Ciudad Juarez and through your generosity we will continue to reach out to them.

We encourage you to go the following Amazon link to access our most recent "Wish List" and purchase any of these critically needed items and ship them directly to **Dignity Mission, c/o Dr. Eva Moya, 6520 La Cadena Drive, El Paso, TX 79912:**

Monetary donations are always welcome and they can be made in one of two ways:

1. A check written to Las Placitas Presbyterian Church with Dignity Mission noted in the memo line and mailed to **Las Placitas Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 768, Placitas, NM 87043.**
2. On-line giving by going to www.lasplacitaschurch.org. Click on "More" in the top right-hand corner of the Home Page, click on "GIVE" on the drop-down menu, click on "CLICK HERE TO GIVE", scroll down the "LPPC Donation" page to the heading "Your Gift" and click on "Choose a Fund", scroll down to the bottom of the list and click on "Mission/Dignity Kits", enter your name and an amount and click on either "Credit Card" or "Bank Account". Complete the form and submit.

Blessings,

Jack & Cheryl