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A guide for people returning to Mexico



- To stay safe, make a friend on the bus or plane, stick together to support each other.
- Be alert and calm, blend in, and comply with the authorities.
- · Avoid casual street encounters, including eye contact.
- Be prepared for bribes, have \$40-100 in cash in \$10s & \$20s in different pockets.
- · Beware of criminal elements, don't use an offered cell phone to call your family.
- Have contact information for your family in Mexico and all documents that prove your identity and deportation status on you, not in your bag.
- To keep your family informed, use the emergency notification app Notifica (notifica.us) or WhatsApp (whatsapp.com). You need wifi to use WhatsApp.

Nogales Repatriation Center

At the border, people are unshackled and directed off the bus to the Repatriation Center. Any belongings can be picked up at this time.

They will give you a Constancia de Repatriation with your photo and personal information. The Constancia is needed to receive services from the consulate and the Kino Border Initiative, also known as the "Comedor". The Constancia and your birth

certificate are needed to obtain your CURP, the most important identification.

You will be asked: "Do you want a ride to the Comedor?" The response should be "YES!", even if not hungry. Multiple services are available there.

Kino Border Initiative (the "Comedor") Edificio 3, Dept. 401, Col. Fovissste II, C.P. 84020 (631) 316-2086













Mexico City

Otros Dreams in Acción (ODA) supports returnees. They have a space called "Poch@ House" in downtown Mexico City, where they offer help in obtaining documentation, connecting with medical attention, potential work, and mental health services. You may be able to obtain a reference to a guesthouse, although they are very limited in CDMX. ODA has contacts in many parts of the country.

Otros Dreams en Acción: 044 55 5925 9689 José María Marroquí 83, Colonia Centro, 06000 Centro, CDMX

It is near metros Bellas Artes, Juarez, San Juan de Letran and Salto del Agua. The nearest Metrobus is Plaza San Juan.

Other points of entry

Casa del Migrante en Tijuana, A.C. Calle Galileo 239 Col. Postal, B.C. 22350 (664) 382-7685 or (664) 682-5180

Casa del Migrante, en Juarez Calle Neptuno #1855 Colonia Satélite Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua (656) 687-2864

Casa del Migrante Nazareth, A.C. Calle Francisco I. Madero, núm. 350 Colonia Viveros Nuevo Laredo, Tamualipas (867) 189-8883

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