



## WITNESS AT THE BORDER

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**FEB 14-17, 2020: VALENTINE'S/PRESIDENT'S DAY WEEKEND**

**Witness at the Border to Restore Asylum**

**LOVE, NOT HATE. AMOR, NO ODIO.**

**Hundreds to Continue Ongoing Protest to Shed Light on Humanitarian Crisis,  
Family Separation Caused by "Remain in Mexico" (MPP)**

- What:** LOVE, NOT HATE. AMOR, NO ODIO in **Brownsville, Texas**. Four days of witness & protest (schedule attached). Daily vigil at the border challenging US immigration policy began in [January](#). We protest injustice of rigged [tent courts](#), cruelty of MPP, and demand restoration of asylum.
- Where:** Xeriscape Park, corner of E. Elizabeth St. and International Blvd., Brownsville, Texas
- Theme:** Love, Not Hate / Amor, No Odio. Restore Asylum. Shine a Light on the Border.
- When:** **The mobilization begins Friday 2/14, Rally at 4 pm, actions through Presidents' Day Weekend.**
- Who:** Hundreds of people attending. Elected officials and Democratic presidential candidates invited. [Witness at the Border](#) founder [Josh Rubin](#). Co-sponsored by [ACLU Texas](#), [Amnesty International USA](#), [Angry Tias and Abuelas of RG](#), [Carrizo/Comecrudo Tribe of Texas](#), [Children's Defense Fund-TX](#), [Grannies Respond/Abuelas Responden Inc.](#), [LULAC](#), [LUPE](#), [National Lawyers Guild](#), [RAICES](#), and others. Americans heed [Josh Rubin's Call to Action](#). Art by [Alessandra Mondolfi](#).

**Policy Background:** [A Year of Horrors \(Human Rights First\)](#) documents a **high level of violence against young girls and women**, abductions, rape, and extortion, among **2,500 asylum seekers and migrants living in inhumane conditions in Matamoros, Mexico**, facing a sham US justice system. [Family separation](#) continues. Since MPP began a year ago, approx, 60,000 migrants and asylum seekers (plus thousands more due to [metering](#)) are trapped on the Mexican side of the border. [Asylum screenings now rushed](#).

For more information, write to [witnessmpp@gmail.com](mailto:witnessmpp@gmail.com). See [Witness at the Border](#).  
[Witness at the Border to Restore Asylum: Love, Not Hate: Amor, No Odio](#)

#EndMPP #WitnessAtTheBorder #RestoreAsylum #LoveNotHate

## **WITNESS AT THE BORDER TO RESTORE ASYLUM Feb. 14-17, 2020**

**Schedule** (subject to change)

### **FRIDAY, February 14 - Love, Not Hate Rally**

- 6am - 10am Witness at the Brownsville Airport  
7:30am Witness at the Courts - Morning Session  
9am - 4pm Witness At The Border  
noon - 4pm Voter Registration (LUPE)  
12pm Witness at the Courts - Afternoon Session  
4pm Love, Not Hate Rally  
Speakers:  
Josh Rubin, [Witness at the Border](#)  
Mayor Trey Mendez  
Texas Senator Eddie Lucio Jr.  
Democratic Party Chair Jarod Hoekama  
Terri Burke, ACLU TX  
Camilo Antonio Perez Bustillo, Former Director of Advocacy & Research, Hope  
Border Inst. (El Paso)/Stanford Univ.  
Juan Mancias, Carrizo/Comecrudo Tribe of TX  
5:30pm Music by Mariachi Mexico Noventa Del Alfonso Lopez  
7pm *Witness at Tornillo* screening, Location TBD (not confirmed)

### **Saturday, February 15 - Shine a Light on the Border**

- 9am - 4pm Witness At The Border  
9am - 4pm Voter Registration (LUPE)  
12pm Shine a Light on the Border March, meet at Xeriscape Park  
1pm March to Hope Park (1300 W Levee St) and back (1.2 mi round trip) - speakers at Hope Park:  
Carrizo/Comecrudo Tribe of Texas, Sierra Club  
7pm Shine a Light on the Border - Night Action (details are TBA)

### **Sunday, February 16 - Memorial and Live Music**

- 9am - 4pm Witness At The Border  
9am - 4pm Voter Registration (LUPE)  
12pm Memorial to Victims of harsh and punitive Immigration Laws  
Speakers: Marina Vasquez, [Witness at the Border](#)  
Dr. Amy Cohen, [Every Last One](#)  
1pm Musical Performances:  
Austin artist, [Leti Garza](#)  
Brownsville Accordionist, Fruity  
Grupo Americanto

**Monday, February 17- Open Mic**

6am - 10am Witness at the Brownsville Airport

9am - 4pm Witness At The Border

9am - 4pm Voter Registration (LUPE)

10am - 4pm Open Mic For Candidates and Elected Officials who will wear the "Free Them" button

*Note:* Court will not be in session Saturday, Sunday or Monday.

The tent courts are directly across the street from Xeriscape Park.

Witnesses can picket in front of the courts anytime during the weekend.

There are no ICE flights on Saturday or Sunday.