



One of the highlights from this past month was a visit from Café Justo, their van pictured outside the entrance to Centro de Esperanza

MONTHLY RECAP (DATA FROM SEPT. 2022)



7,732 meals served and/or provided to
Sonoyta shelters



175 medical appointments provided



*A sweet healthy treat of fruit and oatmeal laid out for
the taking!*



*Centro de Esperanza Day Managers (Karla Bentencourt, Aaron Flores
to the left) and Cafe Justo representatives pose together.*

This e-newsletter update was written by Shelters for Hope volunteer, Mimi Phillips:

On September 26, we celebrated the arrival of Café Justo to Centro de Esperanza! What an inspired story they have to share and what incredible coffee we now have to savor! To handle coffee consumption at Centro de Esperanza, Café Justo will monthly donate 40 pounds of their delicious, coffee! We are their 9th migrant-serving location along the U.S./Mexico border to receive their monthly coffee donation!

Café Justo is a coffee grower cooperative based in Salvador Urbina, Chiapas, MX where their pure, organic coffee is grown and harvested in the spirit of justice. The beans are transported from Chiapas to Agua Prieta, Sonora, MX where it is roasted, ground and packaged for shipment throughout the world. The Café Justo mission is to provide incentives for people to remain on their family lands. What a compassionate concept!

While welcoming Joca Gallegos and David Cifuentes of Café Justo, we also welcomed our amazing donors from University Presbyterian Church/UCC Tempe Dan Abbott, Holly Herman, Tina Campbell, and Rich Dorrer-Peacock in addition to Robert Hunkler and reporter Tanvi Misra. It was a special treat for all of us to show them what a difference their donations have made to our resource center facility and to the migrants themselves. Words cannot express our gratitude, but seeing and experiencing is believing! What amazing support you all provide! What a fun day for all of us to join together in the spirit of humanitarian aid.

Another important and recent update, on Monday, Oct. 3, Mexico Immigration asked Centro de Esperanza for help with 49 migrants who had come from Nepal, Venezuela and Bangladeshi. The Sonoyta Municipality was unable to quickly provide the food these migrants desperately needed. Everyone was very hungry! So Immigration reached out to Centro de Esperanza. Karla and Aaron, our wonderful managers, worked quickly to prepare and deliver food and hygiene kits for these new arrivals! Not only did the migrants appreciate the care, but also Sonoyta Municipality and Mexico Immigration.



Bagged lunches and sodas loaded in the van, ready for transport

THANK YOU TO ALL THE AMAZING ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE MAKING THIS WORK POSSIBLE!