



Binational Spring News

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A Note From Our Editor

Hello to all of you and our Mexico friends across the border. This is a special edition Newsletter with much more information than our previous ones. Recently I received an email inquiring about similar programs that offer evacuation assistance, and what do we offer compared to these other companies? I thought this was a great opportunity to tell all of our members what your Binational membership really provides, and how many others are involved once you or a loved one are involved in a critical medical emergency while traveling in Mexico.

Binational Emergency is the ONLY organization who specializes in coordination of evacuation for those who travel into Mexico. While other companies offer evacuation services in other countries including Mexico, Binational Emergency has over 35 years dedicated to working with Mexican officials, Police Authorities, Mexican Consulate, Embassies, hospital personnel, and local Mexican ambulance companies. These special relationships are crucial when a person is involved in an accident or medical emergency. Our office is located only 10 miles from the U.S./Mexico border. Our 24/7 answering service has bilingual staff ready to take your call in an emergency, and once your call is received your membership insures you swift action and coordination of all personnel involved to get you back safely to a U.S. hospital. Not only do we arrange and coordinate your evacuation, but we also keep your emergency contact with updates to your situation. No other company is more dedicated in insuring your safe return.

But how does Binational do this? What makes Binational a cut above the rest? Binational is also involved in your community. Our Executive Director, Celia Diaz, takes the time to establish personnel relationships with the U.S. Coast Guard, Immigration officials, first responders and hospital personnel on both sides of the border. She also works with U.C.S.D clinics such as the South Bay Radiation Oncology center to help transport cancer patients. Annual food, toy and blanket drives help those less fortunate. There is also cooperation with other non-profit agencies such as the Desert Angels. So please, read on to discover how much we consider you as family, and what your membership is involved in! In addition, for the first time you can read how much our Executive Director, Celia Diaz, is personally dedicated to saving a life. Steve Diaz, Director, Binational Emergency.

Saving the life of a child

".... I also told him that I was going to contact the U.S. Consulate to notify them of the fatal accident and to let them know that I was going to be making arrangements to transport the child to Children.s hospital." ([Read more](#))

Transport from Guerrero Negro

"... During the transport I received and made many calls to the family, hospital, ambulance personnel from Mexico and San Diego until the patient was delivered to UCSD Medical Center.

I spoke with his wife a few days later and she said that Trevor was doing well, she was very grateful for the assistance, she said she had told all his friends and relatives about our services.

I received a card from his wife on 2/28/12 with a note: .Celia, The Lord helped me get your number, thank you for your help. I have shared your information with others, much love Nannette Olson..

This excerpt is taken from the original transport notes written by our Executive Director, Celia Diaz, for patient Trevor Olson. What other company do you know of that is so personally involved in your safety? ([Read more](#))

Desert Angels Story

BEMCC works with a number of organizations on both sides of the U.S./Mexico border. One of them is a group of volunteers called "Ageles del Desierto" or The Desert Angels. BEMCC and The Desert Angels have worked together for almost 10 years. Though we all have stories to tell about the people we help, here are some of the incredible stories told by Rafael Hernandez, a member of The Desert Angels and part of the BEMCC group of volunteers. ([Read more](#))

A quick note from our Director

Hopefully you have read the dramatic and tragic stories above. I am constantly amazed at the extraordinary and herculean efforts that my Mother, Celia Diaz, performs on a daily basis. I know of no other company that is so personally dedicated to such a humanitarian effort of helping others. Furthermore, our non profit organization exists for the sole purpose of helping you, our members in time of need. We are not asking you for a donation, but please tell your family and friends about our services. Also, Please [like us on Facebook](#). We are just a phone call away!

Thank you and God Bless.

Steve Diaz
Director
Binational Emergency.

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