Mission Team Information
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We are so excited that you are interested in visiting and serving at the Navajo BIC Mission here in Bloomfield, NM. This information sheet is to try to help answer any questions that you may have as you prepare to plan your trip. Please let us know if you have any questions by reaching out to the above number or emails.

General Information

On arrival on mission, teams will be provided with an orientation that will provide information about the Mission, the area, the local culture and what to expect.

BIC Mission is located approximately 3 hours from Albuquerque Airport and 1hr and 45 minutes from Durango, Colorado Airport. The mission does not provide transportation to/from airports. The BIC Mission is approximately thirty miles south of Bloomfield, NM. We are nestled off Hwy 57 about 2 ½ miles from HWY 550 between mile markers 123 and 124, NW of Albuquerque and S of Durango.

Each team is responsible for their meals which includes purchasing groceries, meal planning, and cooking. All required cooking elements are provided in your housing arrangements that you will receive once you arrive on the campus.

Each person is charged **\$20 dollars** per night to offset utilities and maintenance.

Linens are available for all beds and bathrooms. We do not have a housekeeping staff, as the teams are responsible for laundering all mission linens used and placing them back neatly in cabinets prior to departure. If team members prefer, they can bring their own linens. The team is responsible for the cleaning of buildings utilized while on campus (lodging and ministry areas). All trash must be removed from buildings and placed in proper locations and cleared out leftover food in preparation for the arrival of new teams.

Available Shopping locations:

Farmington is approximately 50 miles from the mission with stores: Albertson, Safeway, Smiths Grocery, Sam's Club, two Super Walmart Stores, Shamrocks (a restaurant distribution store) and Target. Inside Farmington there are many food locations available for meals out.

Jeremiah 24:7

Bloomfield- Farmer's Market (small local grocer), as well as Dollar General, and Family Dollar. Locations for meals are Dairy Queen, Subway, Burger King, Sonic, Blakes, KFC, food trucks, and roadside diners.

For any food purchases in New Mexico there is no tax on food.

Ministry Teams

Ministry Teams are the lifeblood of the Mission here at BIC. Many Ministry Teams host Bible Camps, Vacation Bible School, Sports Camps, etc. Teams are choosing their own curriculum which does not teach a particular denominational belief for all ages (children, youth and adults) with crafts and refreshments. Adults from the local community really look forward to these outreach programs hosted by teams.

Teams will create a flyer and send it to the Mission at least two weeks prior to arrival. The Mission will print and prepare these for your arrival, or Teams can print and bring with them. It is preferred if these are in PDF format to be printed. Typically, you will want up to 200 fliers to hand out.

You can ship supplies to the mission by UPS at least 3-4 weeks prior to your arrival, if preferred. Address the box to the Mission Attention "Your Church Name". These boxes will be placed away for your arrival.

Work Teams

There are a variety of work projects that are available on the Mission. You can view the updated list on the Mission Website (www.navajobic.org) which is printable. If you would like to select a Work Ministry for your team, please contact the office so that we can mark that item as unavailable to other teams. Work teams raise the money required for the desired project chosen.

We will get the estimate of the project and be in touch with your project leader with those numbers. Materials for work projects may be purchased locally from Lowes, Home Depot, Big R, or Ace Hardware depending on the needs. If teams place an order prior to arrival, items will be picked up by the Mission and available for your first day of work. The Mission does have some tools, but if several members are working, it would be preferable to bring your own.

Individuals/Families

We welcome individuals and family teams who come to visit the Mission, as long as housing is available. Please make sure that you contact the office to determine availability.

Mission Campus Life

First Nations Gathering holds church service at 11:00am each Sunday. We invite you to attend the service!

We have an RV location available that had 5 spaces that have electricity and sewage hookups at \$25 a night. Water is currently not available on the pads, but can be hauled to sites, or RV tanks can be filled before parking.

Tent Spaces are available.

The Craft Shop is open during business hours with local items purchased from Navajo Crafters. If needed, please see a staff member for opening after hours.

Snack bar- Inside the office there is a stocked snack bar for purchase. Snacks, Sodas, water, and some frozen meals.

We are so thankful you have an interest in serving the Navajo Brethren in Christ Mission here in Bloomfield, NM. We look forward to your visit and cannot wait to see what God has in store for your team!

Many Blessings!

Sean & Amber O'Conner

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