Flash Presenters & Mission Statements

**Water**

Maria Elena Giner, P.E.

General Manager

*Border Environment Cooperation Commission*

[*http://www.becc.org/*](http://www.becc.org/)

To preserve, protect and enhance human health and the environment of the US - Mexico border region, by strengthening cooperation among interested parties and supporting sustainable projects through a transparent binational process in close coordination with NADB, federal, state and local agencies, the private sector, and the general public.

Scott Reinert, P.E., P.G.

Hydrogeologist, Water Resources Manager

El Paso Water Utilities

<http://epwu.org/>

To provide our customers a sustainable water supply and the highest quality water services to enhance the vitality of El Paso.

**Ed Archuleta, BCEE**    
Director of Water Initiatives

Center for Environmental Resources Management, UTEP

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CERM provides university-wide leadership in research and education related to environmental issues that focuses on solutions to improve environmental conditions and sustainability in the border region and beyond. Priority areas include water resources management, water and wastewater treatment, air quality, and environmental health.

**Immigration**

*Linda Rivas, JD*

*Executive Director*

*Las Americas Immigrant Advocacy Center*

<http://las-americas.org/>

Las Americas’ vision is that of a country where all immigrants have access to high quality legal representation based on the principle of justice and human rights. Las Americas’ mission is to see this vision realized by providing high quality legal representation to immigrants and by advocating for human rights.

Linda Chew, JD

Immigration policy is about much more than deportations and a “big beautiful” wall.

**Health**

Joe Luna, MD

Chief Executive Officer

San Vicente Family Health Center

<https://www.sanvicente.org/>

Centro San Vicente provides community-based primary care health services with particular concern for the poor and needy in the El Paso area. With a coordinated and holistic approach in caring for body, mind, and spirit, we offer affordable health care, social service, and health education programs in collaboration with other health, social service, and educational agencies. Creating an atmosphere of respect, kindness and simplicity, and encouraging individuals to become responsible for their health and well-being, Centro San Vicente is an advocate for social justice and a voice for the cause of improving the health of the medically underserved.

JoAnna Arriola, LMSW

HIV/DIS Program Supervisor

City of El Paso Department of Public Health

HIV Prevention Program

<http://www.elpasotexas.gov/public-health>

Provide Public Health related research, evaluation, education, prevention, intervention, and preparedness services.

Jana Renner, MPA

Associate Program Officer

Paso del Norte Health Foundation

<http://www.pdnhf.org/>

The Paso del Norte Health Foundation leads, leverages and invests in initiatives, programs and policies that promote health and prevent disease in the Paso del Norte region.

**Education**

Joseph Sapien, BA

STEAM Project Manger

Workforce Solutions Borderplex Inc.

<http://www.borderplexjobs.com/>

To provide skilled workers for employers by advancing education, employment, entrepreneurship and economic development opportunities in support of global competitiveness and regional prosperity.

Armando Aguirre, EdD

Executive Director

*Education Service Center - Region 19*

<http://www.esc19.net/>

Education Service Center – Region 19 is committed to ensuring success for all students by providing quality services to all educational partners in our region through a continuous improvement process in compliance with ISO 9001:2008 standards.