

Directions to Hogar de los Niños Orphanage from USA

Time Required: 20 minutes (after crossing border and with no traffic)

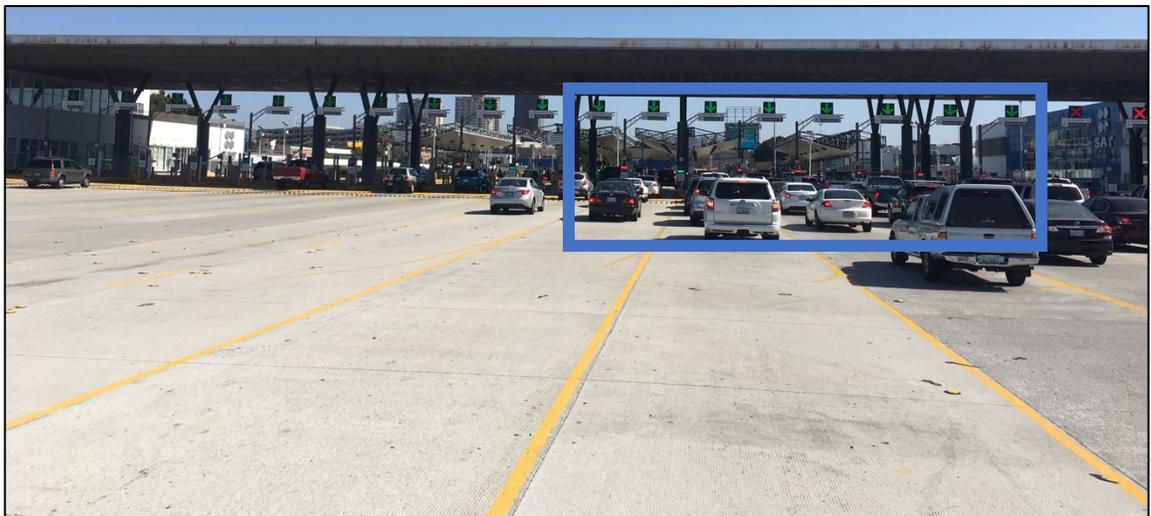
GPS Coordinates of Hogar de los Niños Orphanage: 32.496346, -117.060885

Link to Google Map with many helpful points of interest around Tijuana: bit.ly/doxamap

1. Start on either highway I-5 or I-805 heading South.
2. Take the highway until it ends. You will pass through United States exit inspection gates (which will most likely not be in use).



3. After these United States exit inspection gates, you'll see many lanes open up and the Tijuana border crossing. There are many lanes to choose from and it is best if you situate yourself in the right-hand lanes that are open.



Note: If some of your vehicles get pulled over for random inspection, there is ample room to pull onto the shoulder of the road immediately after exiting the border checkpoint area so you can wait and regroup. Since you'll be taking the very first ramp off to the right after the checkpoint, a good place to regroup is on the right side approaching the ramp (or even on the right shoulder of the ramp).

4. After successfully crossing into Mexico, you will be taking the very first ramp off to the right (signage for Playas de Tijuana / Rosarito-Ensenada). This is highway 1 in Mexico. The ramp is a big U-turn that takes you over the Tijuana River (gigantic drainage canal).



5. You will merge onto a two-lane highway and stay on this highway for quite some time. The international border fence (about 30 ft. tall in some places) will appear on your right and you will go up a very steep hill. The top of the hill is pictured below:



6. At the bottom of this hill you will stay on the highway and continue straight. Do NOT get off at the exit for “Playas de Tijuana - Ensenada.”



7. Keep on this highway, it will naturally turn and you will follow. You will be on the highway for approximately 2.3 miles longer. You will also pass 3 gas stations on your right side (2 blue Chevrons and then 1 pink RendiChicas), after the 3rd gas station you will take the next exit (pictured below). The exit is hard to see as it is at the start of a curve and is not labeled.



8. Once off the highway, continue straight through the 4-way stop intersection.



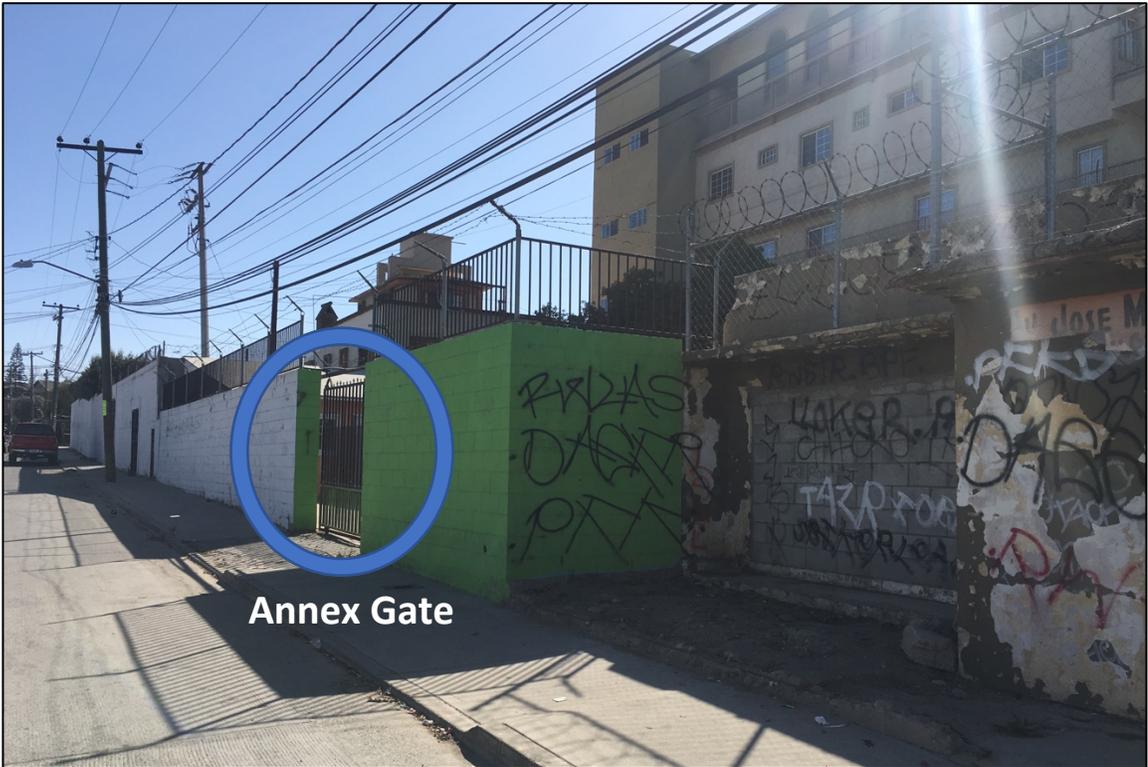
9. Continue straight on this road, look out for the deep drainage canal. Slow down so you don't damage your vehicle while going over (it's not marked)! Continue straight. Just before the road turns to dirt, make a right and head up the steep hill.



10. At the top of the hill you will go left and then immediately right, stay on the pavement.



11. Continue straight on this road. Just after the first block is Hogar de los Niños Orphanage. You'll notice the large 6-story building off to the right. The first gate you'll see is the Annex and the second gate is the Old Orphanage.



Annex Gate



Old Orfa Gate