



Tijuana Nester Information

Becoming a Nester

PILAglobal's sustainable model relies on International Nesters, teachers and related professionals from around the world, who support our on-the-ground staff. Tijuana Nesters are required to make at least a 5-day commitment, Monday through Friday, though we strongly encourage longer stays. Nesters work directly with the children, helping the staff with all aspects of the daily program.

We have two Nests in Tijuana:

The Canyon Nest is approximately 15- 20 minutes from the US border via car. It is located on a dirt road in a canyon. There are two classrooms - The Lower Nest, serving up to 25 children from 3-6 years old, and The Upper Nest serving up to 30 children from 6-10 years old. Depending on your expertise and PILA's needs, you may be assigned to one of these classrooms.

Nest Norte is 1.5 miles from the US border and is associated with Al Otro Lado, an NGO providing legal services for migrants. This Nest provides a safe place for children to play while their parents are receiving services.

Once your application is accepted, we will discuss which Nest best suits you and the needs of PILAglobal.

To become a Nester please go to our [Availability Calendar](#) and complete the accompanying **application**. Once you have officially applied you will be contacted to set up an interview and a two-hour online orientation.

Nesters are required to submit a **Liability Waiver** and Criminal Record Report.

Once your file is complete and you have received confirmation from PILAglobal, you are free to begin planning your travel arrangements.

Housing and Transportation

Volunteers are responsible for their own housing and transportation. For information about hotels and other local options, please write to us at [info @pilaglobal.org](mailto:info@pilaglobal.org).

Nesting with Teens

PILAglobal recognizes the great benefit that young adults experience when involved in service projects. From building cultural awareness and personal empathy to practicing civic

responsibility, service projects are an impactful way for teens to experience first-hand how collective efforts drive positive change. Teens 16 years and older are welcome to be Nesters by:

1. Nesting with a parent
2. Nesting with a chaperone in an approved school service project

For information about these options, please write to us at info@pilaglobal.org