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In view of the ongoing failure of the federal government to solve the crisis on the southern border, the States Trust project of the Texas Public Policy Foundation, in conjunction with sister state and national organizations from throughout the country, are forming a Border Security Coalition.

This Coalition is exclusively focused on reaching a solution – with quantifiable metric(s) – to secure the southern border and U.S. ports of entry, as the essential prerequisite before other changes to U.S. immigration law can be made.

Specifically, the members of the Border Security Coalition agree to the following principles:

- Securing the U.S. southern border and all U.S. ports of entry is the essential first step before other changes to U.S. immigration law can be made.
- Decisive U.S. Executive and Legislative action is required to update the asylum system and reduce the massive backlog of cases faced by overwhelmed immigration courts.
- Immigrants must be admitted to the United States based on the overall best interests and needs of American citizens and communities.
- The states, especially those like Texas that are most impacted by federal failures on this front, are proper collaborators in achieving changes to the U.S. immigration system. Any solutions need to include an active role for the states, that allows local priorities to be addressed.



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