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Statement by Senator César Blanco on Humanitarian Crisis at the El Paso Border

"Our border community is facing an extraordinary humanitarian crisis. Over the last week, the City of El Paso has experienced a major surge in migrant crossings that has put a strain on our local resources.

To date, our local community has responded to the surge with a dignified and respectful approach. Our office has been working with community leaders from the local, state, and federal levels to address this crisis and support local requests for additional resources from the State of Texas.

However, the situation has superseded our local governments' capacity and with Title 42 set to expire next week, the demand for resources is elevated.

I support the City of El Paso's Declaration of Disaster to activate a whole-of-government approach to addressing this unprecedented crisis."

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