



2023 EVENT FAQ

When is the ride?

It will happen in April 2023, with specific dates to be announced soon.

Will this be a group ride?

No, this is a “ride at your own pace” event. Cyclists will initially be launched by pace group. You are free to ride with your friends or family in a group if you wish, but we will not be organizing the groups as in years past.

Is it a race?

No, you are free to ride as fast or as slow as you wish, but there will be no trophies for those who cross the finish line first. The only winners we will recognize and celebrate are ALL who participate—and of course, the families who will receive new homes through the funds you raise!

Border to Beach to Build sounds great! Is the traditional 2DAY ride also happening? What about the 1DAY, TEAM, and VIRTUAL options?

In 2023, there will be no separate 2DAY, 1DAY, or TEAM ride. Instead, all riders are invited to be part of Border to Beach to Build. The VIRTUAL ride is also available.

Where will we launch from?

We’ll launch from the Mexican side of the border in the town of Sonoyta. The exact location will be provided closer to the event.

Where’s the finish line?

This year the ride will finish NOT at 1MISSION’s basecamp but at the beach in Puerto Peñasco! More details coming soon.

Is 1MISSION providing transportation to and from Mexico?

No, you are responsible for your own transportation to and from the event.

Will there be Support and Gear (SAG) vehicles?

Yes, 1MISSION will provide roaming SAGs and medics. There will also be an aid station at the 30-mile mark of the ride, roughly halfway to the finish line.

Can my family or friends SAG for me?

No, for the safety of all cyclists we do not allow any personal SAG vehicles. After dropping you off at the launch location in Sonoyta, we kindly request that your family or friends head directly to the finish line to greet you there.

How safe is the route in Mexico?

Safety is one of our highest priorities for the ride, and the main highway from Sonoyta to Puerto Peñasco has wide lanes and a large shoulder to ride on. The ride will be fully supported by local and state police, and we are coordinating with them to make the entire route as safe as possible.

Do I need a passport?

Yes, you are required to have a passport or an enhanced driver's license to return back into the US. Participants under the age of 18 are only required to have a copy of their passport. You can learn more [here!](#)

What is the minimum age for the ride?

All riders must be at least 15 years old to participate. Any riders under the age of 18 must ride with a parent or guardian.

Will there be a separate Bikes Fight Poverty build weekend as in years past?

No, the build trip and the ride are now combined into a single weekend. However, if you are unable to participate in the build, you're in luck: 1MISSION offers many other trip options throughout the build season, which generally runs from October through May.

What will the combined weekend schedule look like?

The ride will take place on a Saturday in April, followed by a build trip on Sunday and half of Monday before we all head home. More details to come.

Can I just do the ride and not the build trip?

Yes, the build trip is optional, and registration is handled separately. Watch for more information on the build closer to the event.

Can I participate in the build without doing the ride?

No, this is a closed build trip exclusively for the Bikes Fight Poverty community—current riders, volunteers, and their friends and family.

Can we arrive early on Friday night?

Yes, for those participating in the build trip after the ride, you're welcome to stay at 1MISSION's basecamp on Friday night.

Where will I stay?

Puerto Peñasco has tons of hotels and resorts. We're currently in talks about some potential discounts for Bikes Fight Poverty participants, which we'll share once those details are available. If you register for the Bikes Fight Poverty build trip, accommodations at 1MISSION's basecamp are provided.

What accommodations are available at 1MISSION's basecamp?

1MISSION has a limited number of bunk beds available on a first come, first serve basis. There are also limited RV spots and unlimited tent spots available. Watch [this video](#) to learn more!

Will there be hot showers?

Unlike a certain location in the past that will remain unnamed, yes, there will be hot showers!

Are meals provided?

There will be a few light snacks at the launch, nutritious snacks and refreshments at the aid station, and a fiesta at the finish line! During the build portion of the weekend, breakfast, lunch, and dinner will be provided on Sunday, and breakfast and lunch will be provided on Monday.

Will there be Subway for lunch?

Sadly, no.

What is the fundraising minimum?

Because the purpose of Bikes Fight Poverty is to help more families gain access to safe, secure housing, all riders commit to a fundraising minimum of \$500. Of course, many riders raise a lot more than the minimum! In fact, our LEGENDS commit to raising a whopping \$9,000—enough to fund an entire house!

Is there a family fundraising discount?

Yes, riders living in the same household have a \$750 fundraising minimum.

What are the fundraising deadlines?

Fundraising minimums are due April 30, 2023 and are only excused if a rider withdraws before December 31, 2022. Riders are held to their fundraising minimum regardless of participation on the day of the ride.