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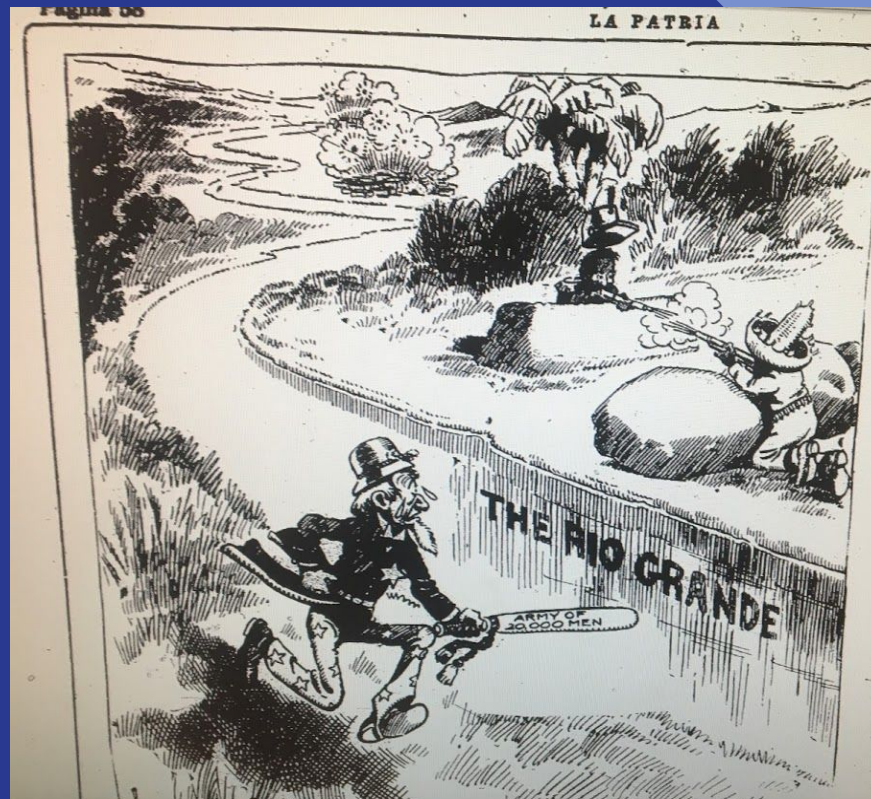
Alternative Cartographies: Dismantling Borders' Toxic Discourses & Colonial Cultural Records

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U.S.-Mexico Border Cartography



Torn Apart & BAC: Initiatives that create alternative cartographies that challenge colonialist and toxic impositions.

BAC

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SEARCH IN 265 CATEGORIES

Map by BAC. Sacartography

Map of the United States

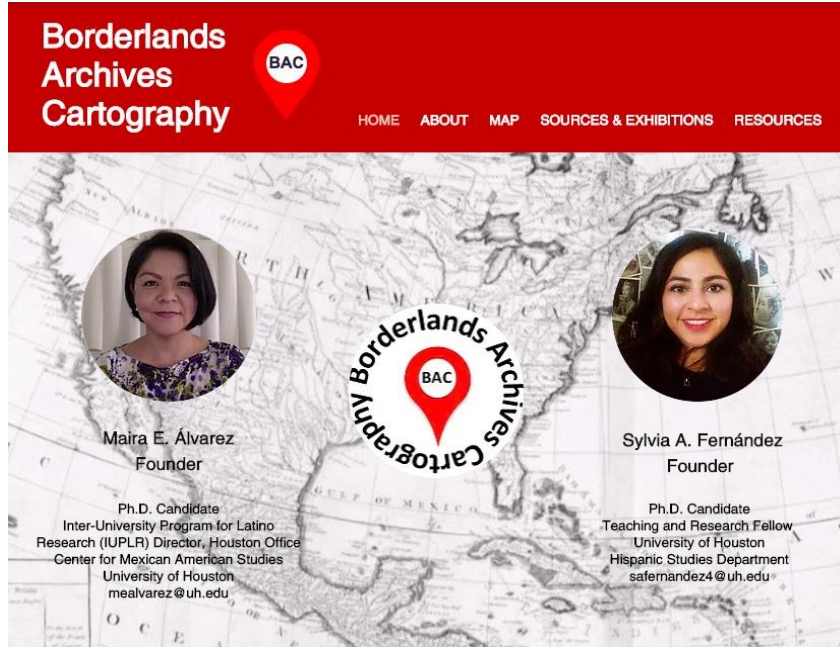
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- Instalaciones de detención juvenil
- Instalaciones de EE en los desiertos
- Instalaciones de EE en los estados

Map showing numerous orange and blue location markers across the United States. A callout box for "Tumbledweed Shelter For Youth" is visible.



Borderlands Archives Cartography



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A transborderlands project that records nineteenth and twentieth century U.S.-Mexico borderlands newspapers available in digital format. Dedicated to:

- Locate
- Map
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Período uno: Colonial



Período dos: Guerra
México – EE.UU.

Período tres: Relaciones
transnacionales

BAC's Digital Map: Historical Record

The screenshot shows the BAC Digital Map interface. On the left, a map of Mexico is displayed with several red location markers. A filter menu is open, showing the following details:

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At the bottom of the summary panel, there is a search bar: "SEARCH IN 265 CATEGORIES".



Borderlands Archives Cartography is a **bridge** that works toward a deeper analysis of the US-Mexico border, its political tensions and transnational/transborder dynamics. This counter discourse visibilizes a **shared history** of this region between the Global North and South. BAC creates an alternative form of documenting the historical memory of the U.S.-Mexico geopolitical border by inquiring the content of newspaper archives with the aim of **new interpretations** of the past for a deeper understanding of the present in order to challenge toxic discourses.

Torn Apart / Separados



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Volume 1 intervened in United States' immigration debates with data narratives illuminating the effects of the government's policy of separating families, which began at the Mexico-U.S. border but, as *TAS* revealed, is, in fact, a national landscape of immigrant detention.

Volume 2 launched two months later, datamined and visualized U.S.-government contracts awarded by Immigration and Customs Enforcement, following the money behind the vast infrastructure subtending immigration enforcement.

Created by a group of librarians and scholars in the humanities from various universities with non financial support.

Public Files

NATIONAL

What We Know: Family Separation And 'Zero Tolerance' At The Border

June 19, 2018 - 2:17 PM ET



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A photo provided by U.S. Customs and Border Protection shows the interior of a CBP facility in McAllen, Texas, on Sunday. Immigration officials have separated thousands of families who crossed the border illegally. Reporters taken on a tour of the facility were not allowed by agents to interview any of the detainees or take photos, the AP reported.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Rio Grande Valley Sector via AP

Which Politicians are Taking Money from Immigrant Detention Profiteers?

by Kevin Connor and Derek Seidman

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Torn Apart/Separados Data

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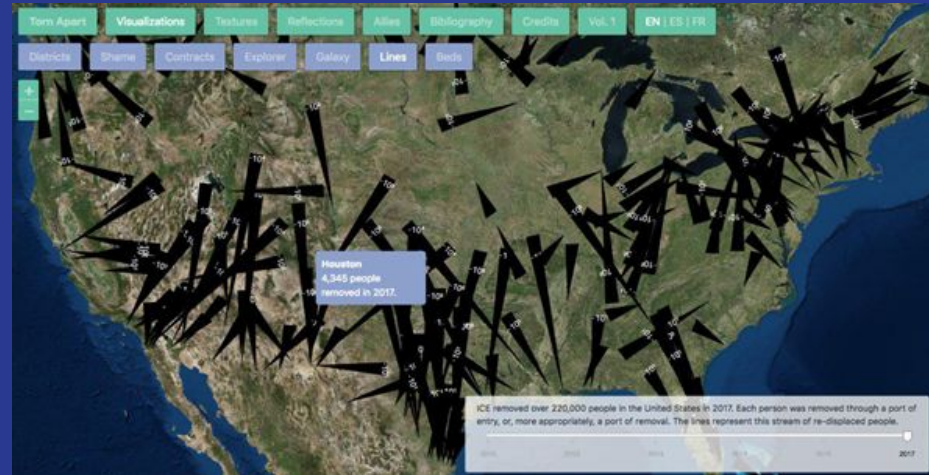
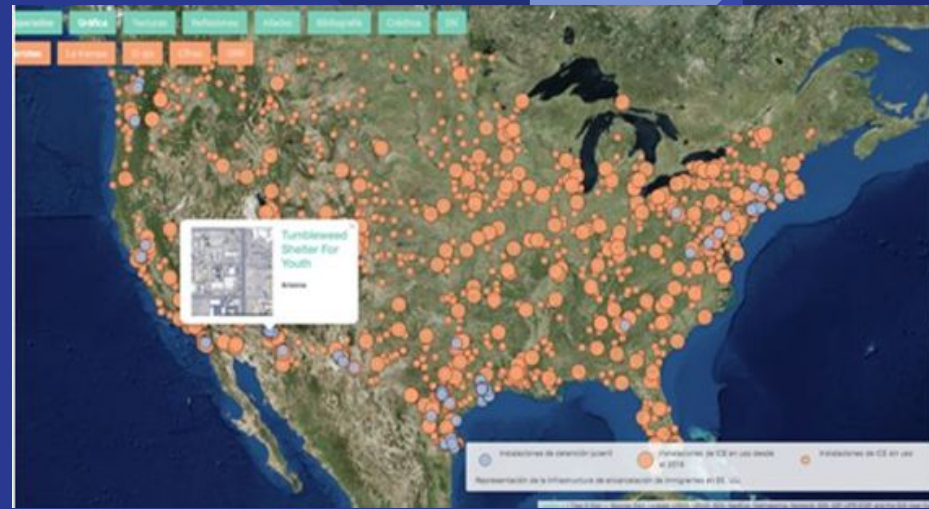
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TA/S Cartographies

Dismantling the “border crisis”



<http://xpmethod.plaintext.in/torn-apart/volume/1/>

TA/S Transnational Alliances

Torn Apart / Separados Allies Directory

The list below was curated by our research team and is by no means exhaustive.

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- [Kino Border Initiative](#)

Nogales, Arizona
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🐦 @KinoBorder

- [Hope Border Institute](#)

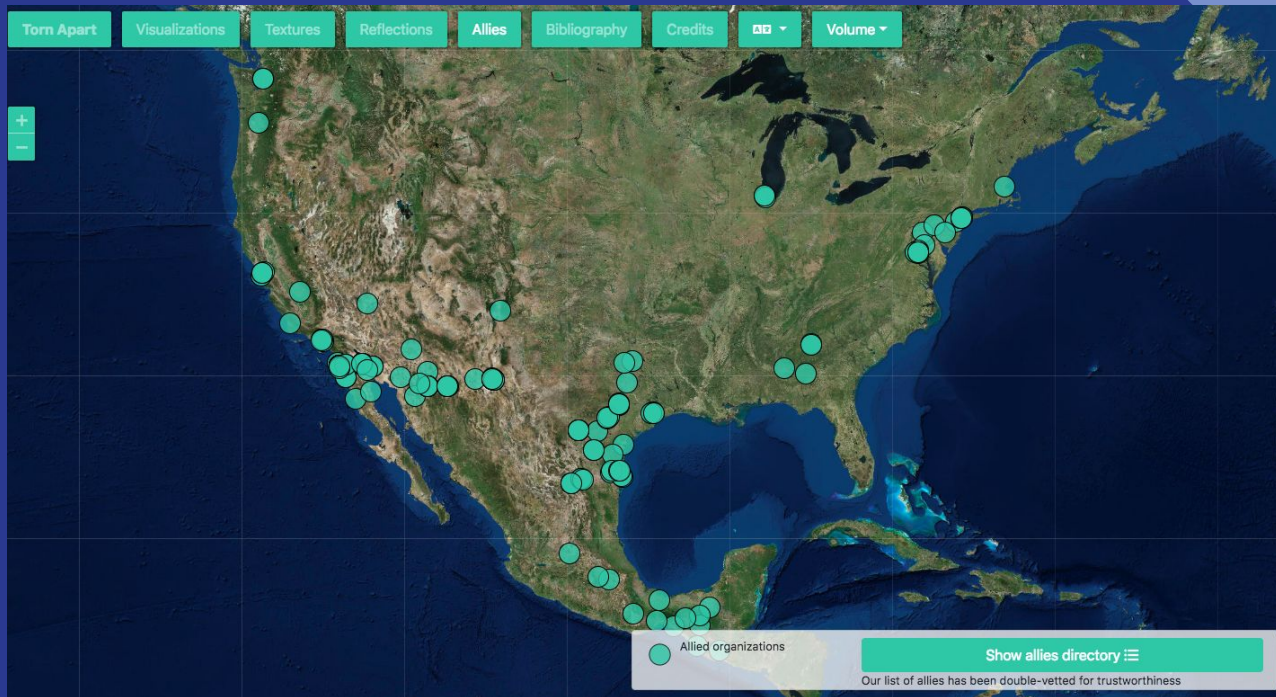
Las Cruces, El Paso, Cd. Juárez, New Mexico, Texas,
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- [Pueblo Sin Fronteras](#)

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- [Detained Migrant Solidarity Committee](#)

El Paso, Texas
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TA/S is more than information. It is a living resource, one the team hopes migrants will use to find their families and that researchers will build upon. Much of the project's power is in its **archival potential**. "Not many are documenting to what is happening in everyday life of migrants... This is a **digital historical record**" (WIRED). "The work of Torn Apart demonstrates a committed and engaged team of researchers that can intervene in the most pressing **social justice issues** of our day." (Fronteras)

BAC and **Torn Apart** digital maps and visualizations pose new questions contest established narratives, creates alternative forms of mapping and activate a knowledge production shaped from the ground-up. With this in mind, these alternative cartographies function as a historical and cultural record of the present and become resources to resist impositions in the future.

<https://www.facebook.com/mtvnews/videos/685955581901222/>





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