



## AMERICA / MEXICO- Casa del Migrante in San Luis Potosi closes down: each year nearly 9 000 Central American migrants were welcomed

San Luis Potosi (Fides Service) - Casa del Migrante in San Luis Potosi, in Mexico closes down. This is what we read in a declaration by father Ruben Perez, of the local Caritas, a copy of which was sent to Fides. Among the reasons: lack of security for migrants, the request of the property on behalf of the parish of San Sebastian, and the precarious health services provided to migrants. In 15 years of pastoral commitment about 120 000 received assistance, shelter, food, clothing, medicine and human warmth. In the House 8/9 thousand Central American migrants were welcomed each year. However, compared to a year ago, the passage to San Luis Potosi has dropped by 50%. Father Perez, however, has ensured that the closure is temporary and another house designed specifically for the dignified reception of thousands of migrants who pass through Mexico and to San Luis Potosi will open. Meanwhile, the Central Americans will find a reference point at the railway stations, where meals will be offered to them. (PA) (Agenzia Fides 07/18/2011)