

Travel Information for OB WEST 2019

The cost of airline travel is **not** included in the \$2325 OB support total. However, you can include this cost in your fund-raising efforts. Monies received here at CE National above your \$2325 total can be reimbursed to you for travel - further information regarding this and how it works is found in the OB Finance and Support Money Policy posted on the website under resources.

Students will need to make their own flight arrangements – the OB office will not be making flight arrangements for students. We can offer suggestions but booking will need to be done by students and their families.

STARTING OB WEST—Dates, Orientation, Travel

Orientation for the OB West team officially begins at **2:00 pm on Saturday, June 22, at the Urban Hope Training Center - WEST (11005 Foster Rd, Norwalk, CA 90650)**. Prior to this time, each student will individually check in, turn in any overdue paperwork or monies, and unload their luggage at the orientation housing location. If there are any special circumstances that prevent you from arriving on June 22, these will need to be discussed with Sherilyn Rank, the Coordinator of Operation Barnabas.

- Driving to Orientation Location:

For those driving in, please plan to arrive at the orientation location between 12:30 – 1:00 pm on June 23.

- Flying to Orientation Location:

We know that most of you will need to fly to orientation and this may be the first time you are flying! **We are asking all of our students flying to orientation to fly on Saturday, June 22, into Los Angeles International Airport (LAX) with an arrival time on the June 22 no later than 1:00 pm, PST** (most of you have a 3-hour time difference between where you live and California- they are on Pacific Standard Time [PST] – when you book your flights, your arrival time will be listed as PST). *As you compare airline prices, keep in mind that many airlines now charge for checked bags and some even charge for carry-on luggage. Southwest airline is one of the only airlines that allows two free checked bags, a nice feature for bringing luggage to OB.*

You will be picked up at the airport by OB staff/alumni and brought to the Urban Hope Training Center orientation location. Close to the time of orientation, we will be able to give you more details about your airport pick up and what to expect when you arrive at the airport. By the end of February, we will be emailing out separately a listing of who has currently been accepted for Operation Barnabas West with their contact information so that if you would like to coordinate rides to the airport and/or flight arrangements, you can do so.

ENDING OB WEST—Dates, Debriefing, Travel

- Driving Home After OB

For students whose parents will be picking them up in California, you may do so on **Monday morning, July 15, at 8:00 am** at the UHTC West (11005 Foster Rd, Norwalk, CA 90650) .

- Flying (OB Leaders providing transportation to LAX for all flyers during designated times below)

To Momentum Youth Conference

For students who will be attending Momentum Youth Conference and wish to meet your youth group at Indiana Wesleyan University, we ask that you make flight arrangements from LAX to Indianapolis International Airport (IND). The flight time leaving LAX can be **Sunday night, July 14, leaving anytime after 10:15 pm**, or **Monday, July 15, arriving at IND no later than 6:00 pm** on Monday. *Note – OB is providing transportation for students flying into IND to Momentum.*

Here are some flights to check into – this information is accurate as of February 6 – flight numbers and times can change so you will need to do your own research but this gives you a place to start! (*remember to check on baggage fees when determining prices – also nonstop flights are helpful so students don't need to worry about changing planes, making connections*)

- Depart Sunday, July 14, at 10:30 pm on Delta #877 ((nonstop - arrives in IND at 5:34 am Monday, July 15)
- Depart Sunday, July 14, at 10:50 pm on American #449 (nonstop - arrives in IND at 5:59 am Monday, July 15)
- Depart Sunday, July 14, at 10:50 pm on Alaska Airlines #6611 (nonstop - arrives in IND at 5:59 am Monday July 15)
- Depart Monday, July 15 at 9:50 am on American #488 (nonstop – arrives in IND at 5:08 pm Monday July 15)
- Depart Monday, July 15 at 10:05 am on Southwest #1287 (nonstop – arrives in IND at 5:15 pm, Monday, July 15)

*Please note – you are welcome to use other flights and/or other airlines– the above are just to get you started in your search - **just make sure any flights booked meet the criteria of not leaving LAX before 10:15 pm on Sunday and not arriving later to IND than 6:00 pm on Monday!***

OR To Your Home After OB

If not attending Momentum, your flight arrangements should also be made out of LAX, leaving any time after 10:15 pm on Sunday, July 14. If flying home Monday, July 15, flights in the morning are probably preferable if a long wait at the airport is not desired.

**Once you are certain as to your travel arrangements,
you can send in the Travel Plans Response Sheet, due no later than May 22.**