The U.S. caught 171,000 migrants last month - the most since 2006

WASHINGTON (SBG) - More than 171,000 migrants were taken into custody in March, the highest monthly total since 2006, according to new reports.

"We clearly, undeniably, have a crisis at our Southwest border," said former acting commissioner of Customs and Border Protection Mark Morgan to The National Desk's Jan Jeffcoat. "Our borders are not closed, our borders are not secure. We're actually in a crisis worse than what we saw in 2019."

Morgan visited the border last week, witnessing in the span of an hour "a steady stream of families and unaccompanied minors." According to Morgan, cartels use the border crossing of families and minors "as a distraction technique."

"It leaves large areas of the border unsecured, unmonitored, on either side, so the drugs and criminal aliens can pass through," said Morgan. "We apprehend individuals illegally entering our borders from 140 different countries annually, and our borders are wide open now and we should all be concerned about that."

After crossing the border, most families stay put and wait for Border Patrol to appear, said Morgan.

"The majority of them do not resist. They know that they're going to be brought into a processing center, they're going to be processed rapidly, and then they're going to be released," said Morgan.

As the surge of migrants continues to overwhelm resources at the border, Border Patrol Agents in the Rio Grande Valley area are no longer giving notices to appear in court to migrants due to time constraints, according to the Federation for American Immigration Reform.

"The Border Patrol has been put in the middle of this politically-driven crisis," said Morgan. "Their facilities are dangerously overcrowded. So they're doing everything that they possibly can to add to get their facilities empty so that something bad doesn't happen."

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