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## To the Honorable Board Members of the Ohio Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs

Our team successfully hosted the Education World Café at the Ohio State University on Friday, March 9th. Feedback from this event will be utilized to frame the Latino Education Summit, to take place at The Ohio State University on November 9, 2018.

In preparation for Legislative Visit Day, Commissioner Pastor Juan Rivera has been working with ODC Coordinator Megan and Director Cavanaugh to reach out to faith leaders across the state based on our database of 50+ identified individuals. Pastor Rivera has connected with a good number of them personally and we are hoping to begin working with this group to learn about their needs and how the commission can support their efforts to serve the Latino community.

Director Cavanaugh and PPC Officer Lewis participated in Ohio State University's Community Engagement Advisory Board to advise and assist the university's investigators on research projects that focus on improving human health and build greater participation through Latino serving organizations. Additionally, they attended the Ideas for Our Future Conference, hosted by AG DeWine's office to deal with the issue of traumatic effect on children as a result of the Opiate Crisis.

The first quarterly meeting for the Ohio Hispanic Chambers of Commerce took place this month with a review of best practices to increase the number of Latino businesses registered as minority contractors, presented by the Dayton Hispanic Chamber. The group reviewed the status of pending legislation and outlined key priorities for the next six months.

We would like to extend our congratulations to El Centro de Lorain and Adelante in Toledo for having been recognized by the [National Association of Social Workers, Ohio Chapter](#) as outstanding institutions in the field of social work. Both Latino agencies were honored on March 24th at the annual NASW gala. We are pleased to be working closely with this important social workers association and hope to partner with them for our Latino Health Summit and other initiatives.



## Meetings Attended

Mar 01—Lisa Gray, Jesus Sanchez, John Monteleone (ESSA Trainings)  
Mar 01—Cincinnati Latino Collaborative  
Mar 02—Commissioner Juan Rivera  
Mar 05—Ezra Escudero, The Libre Institute  
Mar 05—Ohio State University, Community Engagement Advisory Board  
Mar 06—Lisa Gray, ESSA Budget  
Mar 06—Workforce Transformation Board Meeting  
Mar 07—Trauma Informed Care Conference Planning Meeting  
Mar 07—FY 18 OIT (DAS) Management Group  
Mar 07—Jeff Bray, Lisa Miller, Canton Latino Cultural Connection  
Mar 08—Hispanic Chambers of Commerce Quarterly Meeting (Virtual)  
Mar 08—Danielle Lawwell, OSU Social Work Student, Interview  
Mar 09—Latino Education World Café, OSU  
Mar 12—Commissioner Emanuel Torres  
Mar 12—Sabina Serratos, Adelante Inc., Toledo  
Mar 13— Toledo Collaborative Meeting  
Mar 14— Kevin Keiffer, City of Dublin Police Outreach Initiative  
Mar 14—Carola Cancino, Nationwide Children's Hospital  
Mar 14—Ronnie Marquez-Posey & Maria Goeser, Farm Labor, ODJFS  
Mar 14—Dana Weber, NEOhio ESL  
Mar 14—Judge Marilyn Zayas  
Mar 15— Tania Peterson, Vista Project  
Mar 15—Presentation, Dept of Public Safety, Women's History Month  
Mar 15—Puerto Rico Relief, Sherrod Brown's Office  
Mar 16—Emily Modell, Governor's Workforce Transformation Office  
Mar 16—Joe Ryan and Tom Edwards, City of Whitehall  
Mar 19—Ohio Laborers District Council  
Mar 19—Lorena Mowry, Mujer Latina Today Interview  
Mar 19—Randy Slaughter, DAS, Office of Real State and Planning  
Mar 20—Tracy Najera, Children's Defense Fund  
Mar 22—Boards and Commissions Management Meeting (DAS)  
Mar 22—WELD Annual Event  
Mar 23—Diversity & Inclusion/EEOC State Agencies Network meeting  
Mar 24— National Association of Social Workers, Ohio Chapter Gala  
Mar 26—Keynote presentation, ODJFS Air Center, Women's History Month  
Mar 27— Ohio Attorney General Mike DeWine's Office, Children and Trauma Conference (Cincinnati)  
Mar 27—Prospanica Columbus Networking Event  
Mar 28—John Monteleone, Jesus Sanchez, ESSA Trainings planning call  
Mar 28—Jeff Gray, Lisa Miller, Tuscarawas County Latino Outreach  
Mar 29—Minority Health Month Kick off Event



# Public Policy Center (PPC) Report

Andrea Lewis, Public Policy Officer

## Summary of Successes

**Education World Café**— The World Café took place on March 9, 2018 at The Ohio State University and was a great success. An outline of the findings will be presented at the next Latino Education Summit planning meeting.

**Legislative Visit Day**—Planning is well underway for Legislative Visit Day, which is set to take place on April 11th at the Statehouse.

**New Americans Forum** - Planning is well underway for the New American Forum, which is set to take place on May 9th at The Columbus Metropolitan Library.

**Project PIPELine**— The Interested Party Meeting has been set for April 17, 2018

**Trauma Informed Care Conference** - Panelist is confirmed and I am working with El Centro and Su Casa to develop presentation for the conference.

**Puerto Rico Relief** - The Central Ohio Toolkit for Displaced Puerto Ricans is complete and has been posted online and shared with partners.

**Cesar Chavez Day Social Media Push** - Social media kit was successfully implemented and Op-Ed was [printed in La Prensa](#).

**Legislative Engagement** - Met with Rep. Reineke and Columbus Mayor's Office. Attended Interested Party Meeting and Committee Hearings. Devised Legislative Update for Ohio Hispanic Chambers of Commerce.

**Cincinnati LLC** - Andrea and Caroline presented on the State of Latino Education LCR at the March Meeting

## Status Report on Major Projects

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Strategic Reference	Priority	Accomplishments	Next Steps	Status
2.2/1.1/2.5	Project PIPELine	Confirmed IP Meeting with County Commissioner. Issued invitation to Interested Parties, Fourteen RSVPs to date.	Host IP Meeting	
2.5 / 4.3	Legislative Visit Day	Confirmed Speakers, Panelists, Presenters. Developed Interest Sections. Coordinated with 3 HS to bring students to LVD. E-campaigns, etc.	Continue implementation of strategy	
4.3	Puerto Rico Relief	Worked with Krizia Melendez to create a Columbus Resettlement Toolkit. info, etc.	Toolkit completed and made available through website	✓
2.5/3.2	Latino Education World Cafe	Hosted World Café in collaboration with OSU. Debrief meeting for committee is scheduled for April.	Completed	✓
4.2	Trauma Informed Care Conference	Developed presentation format with El Centro and Su Casa .	Finalize presentation	



(Continuation, PPC Status Report Major Projects)

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3.2	New American Forum	Issued invites to 16 city mayors in Franklin County to the Forum,	Finalize programming, speakers, etc.	
1.1/2.4	Puerto Rico Relief	Working with various federal agencies to address the resettlement needs of Puerto Rican refugees in Ohio.	Carry out monthly calls with federal agencies to provide updates on the state of resettlement in Ohio.	
4.3	Cesar Chavez Day	Devised a social media kit that was implemented on March 31st, via FB and Twitter. Drafted an Op-Ed for La Prensa advocating for SB 11	Completed	✓
2.5/3.2	Legislative Engagement	Met with Rep. Gonzalez to discuss HB 492 and 493. Met with Rep. Reineke to discuss HB 512. Attended HB 164 (Roofing Contractors) hearing and sent legislative update to OHCC. Met with Sen. Brown's office and other Ips to discuss PR Refugee Settlement.	Completed	✓
4.2	Cincinnati LLC	Co-presented with Caroline Filbrun on the State of Education for Latino Students in Ohio. Coordinated efforts for ODE to present on graduation options for Latino youth aging out	Completed	✓

**Meetings Attended:**

- Mar 01- Alessia Gillison, Columbus City Schools
- Mar 01- ESSA Regional Trainings Conf. Call
- Mar 01- Cincinnati LLC Meeting
- Mar 02- Commissioner Rivera
- Mar 05—Ezra Escudero, The Libre Institute
- Mar 05—CCTS Community Engagement Advisory Meeting
- Mar 07—Trauma Informed Care Team Meeting
- Mar 08—Ohio Hispanic Chambers of Commerce Quarterly Meeting
- Mar 08- Alicia Pagan, LULAC and Trotwood Madison Schools
- Mar 08- Danielle Lawwell
- Mar 09— Ohio Latino Education World Café
- Mar 12— Commissioner Emanuel Torres
- Mar 13—New American Forum Planning Meeting
- Mar 14—New American Advisory Council Meeting
- Mar 14—Anna Stewart, OSU School of Social Work
- Mar 14— HB 492 and HB 493 Meeting - Rep. Gonzalez
- Mar 14—Dana Weber, Canton
- Mar 15—Rep. Reineke
- Mar 15— Stephen Sayre, Mayor Ginther's Office
- Mar 15— Senator Brown, HUD, USDA, OHFA



Meetings Attended: (Continuation)

- Mar 16—Ohio Standard Coalition
- Mar 16— Joe Ryan, City of Whitehall
- Mar 19— Ohio Laborers' District Council
- Mar 19— Mujer Latina Today Interview
- Mar 20—HB 164 Committee Hearing
- Mar 21—CSRAB, Angela Logistics Meeting
- Mar 23— Rachel Weaver, OSU College of Social Work
- Mar 27—AG's Conference: Ideas for Our Future
- Mar 28—Surendra Adhikari, ODMHAS

## Latino Community Network (LCN) Report

Lair Marin-Marcum, Community Liaison

Summary of Successes:

**Latino Collaboratives**—Successfully held meetings in Cincinnati and Toledo.

**Canton/Akron Outreach**— Followed up on site visit and continued strategy to implement an outreach plan for the region.

**Constituent Services**— Inquiries have increased to 40 cases in March of which 2 were specific to the Puerto Rico Relief Efforts. The number of inquires is double to those received last month.

**State Government Bilingual Services Guide**—CLOI—The directory of bilingual services has been updated and it is being promoted through our networks.

Summary Connecting the Community: Information and Resources

OUTLET	DESCRIPTION	FEBRUARY	MARCH
Facebook	Number of “Likes” to date	1,708	1738
Facebook & Twitter	Postings of news, resources, events	1,115	1,272
Job Opportunities Page	Jobs Posted	101	142
Job Opportunities Page	Jobs Views	745	796
OCHLA Website	Total Visits	6,178	6,605
OCHLA Website	Home Page Views	1,769	1,988
OCHLA Website	Users	603	621
Constituent Inquiries		23	40



Status on Main Projects:

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3.1	Regional grass-roots engagement	LLC Toledo & Cincinnati's planning completed and meetings held		✓
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2.3	Community Resources & Outreach	CLOI Directory Review advertised.		✓
2.3	Distinguished Hispanic Ohioan Awards	Successfully pinned down venue location at LLC and date 10/26 with immense help from Comm. Santiago.	Set up budget and start brainstorming for partners, themes and logistics.	✓
2.4	Health Equity	Work and conversations has started to pin down 2018 LHS Location at Akron University. Letter of proposal and intention was sent out for approval.	Pin down meeting with UA to finalize location and date and start working on contents and logistics.	✓
2.3	Community Resources & Outreach	New 2018 CLOI Campaign and promotion. Continue work on OLANET, ESOL, Faith, Latino Media List, Churches, Translators/ Interpreters & Attorneys & Central Ohio	Continue updating.....	✓

Meetings Attended:

- 1 March – Cincinnati Latino Leaders Collaborative Quarterly March Meeting
- 7 March – MACC Marketing Subcommittee Meeting
- 8 March – Debrief Lilly/Lair - Canton / Akron Visit - strategy & next steps
- 12 March – Toledo Meeting at Adelante w/ New Director Sabina Serratos
- 13 March – Toledo Latino Leaders Collaborative Meeting
- 13 March – MACC Conference Planning Committee
- 14 March – Meet and Greet with Carola Cancino - Nationwide Children's
- 14 March – ODJFS Quarterly meeting with Ronnie Marquez-Possey & Maria Gosser
- 15 March – Meeting Karla Poole / Central Ohio Parent Leadership Training Institute and Briana -
- 16 March – MACC Agenda and Items for Tomorrow's Meeting
- 20 March – Meeting with New Executive Director of Children's Defense Fund-Ohio Tracy Najera and Lilly
- 21 March – Meeting with new Latino Community Member in Ohio Alfredo Yanez/Journalist -
- 27 March – FEMA Webinar on strategic plan and disaster preparedness and recovery resources.
- 28 March – Conf Call w/ Latino Cultural Connections /OCHLA - Tuscarawas Strategy & Next steps
- 29 March – Statewide Minority Health Month Opening Ceremony & Expo



# Organizations Development Center (ODC) Report

Lilly Cavanaugh, Executive Director  
Megan Honaker, AmeriCorps Vista. Capacity Building Specialist

## Summary of Successes:

**Grant Research**— Spoke with multiple nonprofits about how OCHLA can help them succeed and secure more funding for their goals. The nonprofits include ones from Southwest, Northwest, Northeast, and Central, Ohio. Once projects are developed fully, grants can be applied for.

**Local ESSA Trainings**— Finalized the budget for the trainings and held multiple conference calls with the presenters. Established a plan of action regarding the locations for the three other trainings and are waiting to proceed with payments.

**Legislative Visit Day** — Helped with logistics in preparation for Legislative Visit Day. Contacted every faith leader via email and physical letter from OCHLA’s Faith Directory to invite them. This contact is in hopes of creating a network of Hispanic-serving faith leaders across the state.

**State Agencies Grant Directory**— Continue working on building the grant directory. It is estimated this directory will be ready for distribution by the end of April, 2018.

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2.5	Local ESSA Trainings	Finalized the budget for the trainings and discussed specifics with presenters.	Secure locations in other regions of Ohio and prepare materials	
2.4	Mental Health Grants	Contacted Matt from OD-MHAS and he informed me that the grant doesn't deal with minorities.	Contact the 1 organization that was granted money and could become a contact for Latinos	
1.1	Directories	Added over 20 grants to the directory	Finish the directory	
3.1	Support non-profits/ Hispanic serving organizations and build leadership/engagement	Had phone calls with more organizations around Ohio about how to help with funding. Continuing working with Lydia for conference.	Go to Lydia's conference in April and apply for a grant for someone	



Organization Region	Outreach They're Seeking	Outreach Provided	Total number of Organizations Helped (March)
Fremont	Planning assistance for event Latino Behavioral Health Summit	Edited her current evaluation sheets and made them more readable and concise. Contacted speakers for pictures and biographies for the program.	
Cincinnati	Funding streams to support new non-profit	Took extensive notes on the interests and programming; research underway for grants	
Columbus	Worked on project concept development	Research and budget development	
New Philadelphia	Require infrastructure to support transportation needs	Will research transportation grants	
Toledo	Research and support for grant application on urban gardening and beekeeping	Assisted with grant application	
SW Ohio	Grant research support	Research programming needs and initiated grant search	
Bowling Green	Grant research support	Ongoing search for grants	
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Leadership Outreach through Media

Newsletter	Subscribers	Opens	Clicks
Grant Opportunities Newsletter	169	62	31
Mental Health (Winter)	65	23	6

Meetings Attended (Megan Honaker)

- March 1 - Follow-Up conference call for ESSA Local Trainings
- March 2 - Weekly phone call with Lydia Alejandro for conference
- March 8 - First Quarterly Hispanic Chambers of Commerce phone conference
- March 9 - Latino Education World Cafe
- March 14 - Phone call with Julie LeMaster of Cincinnati for new nonprofit
- March 15 - Women's History Month Panel
- March 28 - ESSA Local Trainings conference call
- March 28 - Akron/Canton Latino Cultural Connections conference call

