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# JANUARY 2019

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

As you will see through the activities outlined in this report, we are launching 2019 with a heavy emphasis on our third mandate to build capacity and increase leadership opportunities for the Latino community. Along those lines, I am pleased to announce that the Latino Affairs Commission has been awarded the grant to become its own Americorp Vista Program site starting this year. As you know, under the auspice of the Ohio Hispanic Coalition, we have hosted Americorp Vista Members in our office for the last three years with tremendous success. After completing an extensive and competitive grant application process, we have been selected to host two members in 2019 with the possibility to apply for an increase on members in future years. The Vista Program not only provides the Commission invaluable services, but it also gives us the opportunity to impact the experience of those selected to serve in our team.

In the area of education, we had a very successful Project PIPELine meeting at Rosemore Middle School to meet with parents and children interested in the program. Trade representatives were enthusiastic about the attendance of students. We are ready to launch the first cohort of students, who will begin work this summer through the Eastland-Fairfield Career Center. We appreciate Public Policy Officer Jaimes work in this project and his commitment to grow and support this important initiative. Additionally, Director Cavanaugh attended the Department of Education's Diversifying the Education Profession Advisory Board Meeting to support the work of the department to build a more inclusive and diverse education workforce. The charge of this advisory board is in line with our actionable items from the 2018 Latino Education Summit and we are delighted with the opportunity to bring the Latino/Hispanic perspective to these conversations. Finally, PPC Officer Jaimes and Director Cavanaugh have scheduled a meeting in early February to visit Kent State University, host for the 2019 Latino Education Summit and meet with the leadership that will be involved in this important project.



Our work to expand networks and connections is going strong in the Lower Northeast region. With the support of Community Liaison Marin and ODC Vista Member Janwin, we held successfully the first meetings of the year in Canton and Akron respectively. These networks continue to grow in numbers and importance with the next meeting scheduled for April, where both networks will host a meeting together. Additionally, Commissioner Juan Rivera, Director Cavanaugh and Community Liaison Marin had the opportunity to meet with key five local Latino leaders to explore the potential of building a similar network for the Youngstown region. The consensus indicates that such network would be beneficial for the area and we will continue to move forward with the data collection phase with the goal to host an initial meeting this coming Spring 2019.

In the area of health initiatives, we conducted the first planning meeting with Dr. Glenn Martinez for the 2019 Latino Health Summit, to take place at The Ohio State University in early Fall, 2019. Additionally, Executive Director Cavanaugh and Community Liaison Marin met with representatives from the NASW – National Association of Social Workers. They are interested in working with our commission and learning about important issues facing the immigrant communities. We also had the opportunity to meet with Dr. Marilyn Sampilo, new Health and Equity, Cultural Competence Administrator for the Dept. of Mental Health & Addiction Services. She will be working with our team to support the work related to trauma in the Hispanic/Latino community.

Executive Director Cavanaugh has also met with Mr. Ron Todd, new Minority Affairs Liaison for Governor De Wine and attended the Boards and Commissions’ Debriefing to be introduced to Governor DeWine’s team who oversee the work of Boards and Commissions.

**Meetings attended:**

- 08 Jan—DACC Debrief, Isaac B., Akron/Canton
- 10 Jan—Canton Latino Network Meeting
- 10 Jan—Akron Latino Networking Meeting
- 10 Jan—Tania Peterson, Americorp Vista
- 11 Jan—Youngstown Leaders Meetings (various)
- 14 Jan—Comm. Dan Molina, Lair Marin Cincinnati Leaders Collaborative
- 15 Jan—Colleen Dempsey, Natl. Assoc. of Social Workers
- 16 Jan—Project PIPELine Event, Rosemore Middle School
- 17 Jan—Dept. of Education, Diversifying Educ. Profession
- 18 Jan—Doug Murray, City of Columbus Census 2020
- 22 Jan—Dr. Manuel Martinez, Ohio Dominican University
- 23 Jan— DACC Advisory Board Meeting
- 23 Jan—Executive Committee (OCHLA) Meeting
- 24 Jan—Dr. Glenn Martinez, OSU
- 24 Jan—Boards and Commissions Debrief
- 25 Jan—Marilyn Sampilo, OHDMAS
- 25 Jan—Jeff Grever, OSU, Center for Clinical and Translational Science
- 28 Jan—NALEO Census Hearings (San Antonio, Tx)
- 29 Jan—NALEO Census Hearings (San Antonio, Tx)
- 30 Jan—Ron Todd, Minority Affairs Liaison, Governor’s Office



## Public Policy Center (PPC) Report

Juan Jaimes, Public Policy Officer

### Summary of Successes

**PIPELine Project** - Parent Meet and Greet was a successful start to our pilot program. Our event was attended by 38 individuals, 12 parents signed our interest forms, and we will move on to the next step of contacting parents and getting their children/student signed up for the summer portion of Project PIPELine.

**Latino Community Report** - Members of the 133rd General Assembly received our LCR—Titled Mental Health, Suicidal Ideation, and Opioid Use Disorders among Hispanic and Latinos in Ohio. We have created our LCR fact sheet and will be available online.

**OCHLA Internships** - New interns have received their training and are now assisting the commission for the Spring term.

**OCHLA Annual Report**– The annual report has been published and distributed to the 133rd General Assembly. The report is accessible through our online portal or in physical copy if requested.

### Meetings Attended:

- 10 Jan—Canton Latino Network Meeting
- 10 Jan—Akron Latino Networking Meeting
- 16 Jan—Project PIPELine Event, Rosemore Middle School
- 25 Jan—Jeff Grever, OSU, Center for Clinical and Translational Science

### Status on Major Projects:

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Strategic Reference	Priority	Accomplishments	Next Steps	Status
2.2/1.1/2.5	Project PIPELine	Hosted Parent Meet and Greet for Project PIPELine	Register our first cohort for the summer portion of the pilot program.	✓
2.5	Latino Education Summit	Completed and survey results are in process.	Follow up on Survey and evaluate feedback for the 2019 Education Summit to be Hosted at Kent State University.	✓
2.6	Legislative Visit Day	Initiated process for venue reservation.	Assign dates and criteria for LVD.	In process



# Latino Community Network (LCN) Report

Lair Marin-Marcum, Community Liaison

Jesse Dotson, Social Media Coordinator

The OLANet directory updating process has been continued this month and started the review and update of the Interpreters/Translators, and Latino Media List, CLOI and ESOL Directories. We also invested resources on preparing for the first exploratory meeting in Youngstown, where we had the opportunity to meet with Latino leaders about the possibility of starting a Latino network in the region. The Cincinnati Latino Collaborative first meeting of the year was organized and successfully executed this month; we have also worked on securing a date for the Toledo Latino Collaborative, which will be slated for early Spring, 2019.

## Connecting the Community: Information and Resources

- There were 247 Job Opportunities Postings this month breaking all previous monthly records for postings
- In the area of Social Media, postings on Facebook, Tweeter and Instagram increased by 50% and OCHLA website total views went up by 60% from last month with the homepage views and visits continuing to grow steadily.
- Constituent Services totaled 30 inquiries.
- We have three student intern/volunteers this month from OSU and Otterbein University.

OUTLET	DESCRIPTION	DECEMBER '18	JANUARY
Facebook	Number of "Likes" to date	2,023	2,035
Facebook, Twitter & Instagram	Postings of news, resources, events	460	668
Job Opportunities Website Page	Jobs Posted	186	247
Job Opportunities	Website Views	833	924
OCHLA Website	Total Views	9,899	15,262
OCHLA Website	Home Page Views	1,549	2,082
OCHLA Website	Users	2,262	2,637
<b>Constituent Inquiries:</b>		<b>20</b>	<b>30</b>

## Meetings Attended

- 04 January – Meet & Greet call with NAWBO Christy Farnbauch - Community Outreach & Partnering
- 09 January – OCHLA Presentations at OSU
- 10 January – Canton Latino Networking Meeting
- 10 January – Akron Latino Networking Meeting
- 11 January – Youngstown Outreach Meeting with several Community Leaders
- 14 January – LLC Cincinnati - January 31 Agenda - Brainstorming Call
- 15 January – Lake County General Health District Community Needs Assessment Call
- 15 January – NASW New strategies / OCHLA meeting
- 17 January – MLK 34th Annual Commemorative Celebration
- 24 January – Latino Health Summit 2019 OSU/OCHLA Meeting
- 24 January – Meeting Paul Eisenstein, Otterbein University
- 25 January – National Hispanic Corporate Council Call



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3.1	Toledo Regional Grassroots engagement	2019 Toledo 1st Meeting confirmed for March 5th	Pending notes review and Agenda	
3.1	Cincinnati Regional Grassroots engagement	Cincinnati LLC's January 31st took place	1/31 Notes to be prepared and	
3.1	Regional grassroots engagement:  Canton Akron Youngstown	Working with Janwin & Lilly for next joint Akron & Canton mtg  Successful mtgs in Youngstown for strategy planning on January 11th	Work with Lilly & Janwin to prepare 2019 Calendar presentations.  Working on final Masterlist and 1st mtg set up in Spring 2019	
2.3	Distinguished Hispanic Ohioan Awards	Final Debrief and budget	Waiting on Feb Board Retreat to start 2019 DHO strategy and location	
2.4	Health Equity/ Latino Health Summit	Successfully held 1st mtg and confirmed LHS with OSU. We also pinned down the Steering Committee names	Working on holding our 1st Conference Call and pinning down the Theme, breakout session and Plenaries	
2.3	Community Resources & Outreach	Continue to update more organizations to 2019 OLANet Directory. Working on Central Ohio Latino Health & Social Services Directory and started with Interpreters & Translators Directory. Started working on CLOI	Finalize Central Ohio Latino Health & S.S. Directory and Interpreters & Translators Directory. Work on CLOI and start the ESOL catalogue.	
3.1	Increasing Diversity and Inclusion: Interns Management	All 3 winter interns started in January.	Continue coordinating with 2019 Interns and stations	✓



# Organizations Development Center (ODC)

Lilly Cavanaugh, Acting  
Janwin Zeegar-Holman, ODC Coordinator

## Summary of Successes

**Community Engagement & Leadership Development:** The Akron and Canton meetings were successfully executed. A presentation of Police and Community was very engaging in both locations. For our next meeting, both networks will convene in one location to provide the opportunity to grow connectivity with these regional groups. We will be working on planning the agenda and securing speakers to focus on the topic of Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking.

**Grant Reporting:** Targeted grant opportunities were sent this month along with the electronic monthly Grant Newsletter. Thirty arts -related organizations received a grant opportunity in the middle of the month, and sent out a mental and behavioral health related grant information to 164 individuals. We are in the process of finalizing the Agenda Latina report for the event that took place towards the end of 2018.

**Capacity Building:** Thirty participants are confirmed for the “Cultural Elements” Training, to be presented in collaboration with the ATTC and the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Trauma Division. The training will take place on February 20 and 21st; it is geared to a selected group of leaders and managers in behavioral services across Ohio to help them understand the dynamics affecting mental health and wellbeing for Hispanic Ohioans.

**Empowering Organizations:** The first Latino Connection meeting is scheduled and we are working to organize the contents and logistics for this event. The Quarterly meeting for the Hispanic Chambers is also being planned.

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2.5	Agenda Latina Final Report	In progress	Complete	✓
2.4	Grant Newsletter January	Completed. Newsletter sent	Send out February newsletter	✓
2.4	Mental and Behavioral Health Newsletter January	Sent out new articles on Latino mental health	Send out February newsletter	✓
3.1	CLOI Directory Update	Reached page 53 out of 60 for total agencies listed	Complete and confirm changes from new administration	✓

Respectfully submitted,

