

DVCC Immigration Subcommittee
April 30, 2019
10:30 AM
Delaware Community Legal Aid, Dover

Summary Notes

In attendance were: Laura Graham, Chair (*CLASI*), Carolyn Becker (*WPD Victim Services*), Adrienne Owen (*DSP/DVCC Member*); Maite Aros (*CHILD Inc.*); Gloria Smith (*DCJ*); Tisha Jackson (*CHILD Inc.*); Jessica Mora-Martinez (*CHILD Inc.*); Meghan Fisher MacLeish (*DOJ*); Pedro Torres (*NCCPD Victim Services*); Nancy Carranza (*People's Place II, Abriendo Puertas Program*)
Participants via phone: Malissa Feliciano, Maria Aguilar, and Kathleen Seipel (*all from Family Counseling Center of St. Paul's*); Sue Ryan (*DCADV*)

DVCC Staff: Aimee String, Natasha Smith (via teleconference)

- I. Introductions:
The Chair started the meeting with introductions of attendees.
- II. Review of meeting minutes from 3/5/19
 - a. Minutes were not circulated prior to the meeting. Approval of minutes will take place during the next Committee meeting.
- III. Old Business:
 - a. DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals)
 - b. Federal Updates
 - c. State Updates

Summary:

The committee is spending considerable time discussing changes in federal legislation that effect immigrant victims of violence and best practices to meet needs emerging from the changes. The committee continues to seek avenues to offer outreach activities to educate immigrant victims about domestic violence and avenues for relief.

- IV. Agency Reports:
 - a. CHILD Inc: Martha's Carriage House has a new Transitional Counselor and a new Residential Counselor. CHILD Inc has a staff opening at one of the Family Visitation Center locations. They also have a program through the Allstate Financial Literacy Program, Carrie Clifton is the contact.
 - b. Latin American Community Center (LACC): the LACC has a fundraising event scheduled for May 7th.
 - c. Delaware Center for Justice, Inc (DCJ): The agency is holding their annual celebration on May 16th.
- V. 2019 Meeting dates: Meetings to be held at CLASI in Dover at 10:30 a.m.
 - September 3, 2019
 - December 3, 2019