News & Events:
2020 marks Enlace Comunitario's 20 year Anniversary and we have many things in the works to make it The Year of Enlace!

- The launch of our 2020 Transformation Campaign open thru the year, with a goal of raising $220,000 to cement the legacy of our no-cost programs and services
- A special Anniversary Fundraising Event set for August, bringing together clients, volunteers, donors and supporters from the last 20 years to celebrate together
- Claudia Medina's final year as Executive Director, marking an end of an era in the history of our organization
- Phase 2 of our PLATICAS Convening - Promoting Leadership and Training to improve Childhood Advancement in the South Valley
- Generation 2020 Promotoras spearheading our Outreach and Community Involvement

Join us, this 2020, in the fight against Domestic Violence in New Mexico. Share in our vision to be a collective force that creates a community free of gender inequality, violence and injustice.

Our goal to reach $220,000 in unrestricted funds is in an effort to protect the interests of Victims in New Mexico from the constantly changing political climate, the potential cutoff of funding at the Federal level and to guarantee that ANYONE who needs our help, can receive it free of cost WHENEVER they need it.

We can't reach this goal without YOUR help. We call on our Community Members, Partners in the Fight, and Supporters of our Cause:

Make your New Year's RESOLUTION one of IMPACT!

Meet the Team Featuring Board Member:
Soledad Rivera-Escargena

We spoke with Soledad Rivera-Escargena, one of our newest Members to the Board of Directors to learn what makes her passionate about Enlace Comunitario:

"I first learned about Enlace Comunitario serving as an intern – a requirement for my Social Work program. This allowed me behind the scenes to experience the promotoras program in the prevention side first hand and see the hard-working employees that keep this important organization in operation. I want to be one of the voices to break the silence against domestic violence and because of my special interest in working to support immigrant Latina survivors and their children I am now proud to serve on the Board of Directors, knowing that my time and efforts are giving to a much-needed community organization – helping to decrease and eventually stop domestic violence."

Like all of us at Enlace Comunitario, Soledad wants everyone to know that one thing about Domestic violence is that it occurs among all ethnic groups and all cultures, among all ages, all income levels, all literacy and all education levels. For some people, their social, economic or cultural background may make it harder for them to get help. Lack of money, racial bias, language barriers, immigration status, anti-gay or lesbian beliefs, and religious beliefs can create barriers for survivors.

Still, planning to make a big impact in our community fighting against Domestic Violence, Soledad looks forward to working with Enlace Comunitario through 2020, a very special year for the organisation - 2020 marks our 20 year anniversary. Speaking about her hope for the Agency, Soledad wants to "Celebrate our success stories and celebrate the hard work of our Director Claudia Medina, all the hard working staff that works relentlessly for the cause."
promotoras, youth group leaders, and volunteers. Happy Anniversary Enlace and thank you for everything."

"I hold the Promotoras Program very near to my heart... I was privileged and honored to work with some very extraordinary women who I can now also call my dear friends." - Soledad

Soledad was part of the Promotoras Program 2012 Generation for Enlace Comunitario.

**January is Stalking Awareness Month**

Did you know that stalking is usually an indicator of other forms of violence? For example 81% of women who were stalked by a current or former husband or cohabiting partner were also physically assaulted by that partner and 89% of female murder victims who had been physically assaulted before their murder were also stalked in the last year prior to the murder.

**What can you do to take action against Stalking?**

Support Enlace Comunitario’s programs aimed at increasing domestic violence, sexual violence and stalking education, prevention and intervention.

[Learn More]
You’re Invited!
Curious to know what we are up to at Enlace? Call Mayra at 505-246-6972 x 49 to schedule a Tour of our space and to hear about all of our exiting plans for 2020 and Volunteer opportunities!

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