Coming Together: strength in collaboration
DEAR FRIENDS,

I’m proud to share Casa de Esperanza’s FY2016 Annual Report with you. This year’s theme is Strength in Collaboration. As you read through these pages, you’ll see some of the many examples of how we were able to expand our reach through new partnerships in our own community as well as across the country.

As we continue to expand our work nationally, we are committed to ensuring that our work in the Twin Cities continues to shape best practices and inform policies and program design to benefit thousands of individuals and organizations who are committed to ending violence in their own communities throughout the United States. We are willing to share, to train, to listen, to advocate for, and to learn.

On June 14, 2016 the White House Council on Women and Girls, together with the Department of State, the Department of Labor, and the Aspen Institute and Civic Nation, convened the first United State of Women Summit, which brought together over 5,000 advocates of gender equality. I was honored to present Casa de Esperanza’s community engagement work in one of the breakout seminars titled: From the Margins to the Center: Solutions to Stopping Violence in All Communities. Approximately 450 people were in the session which was also one of two breakout sessions live streamed.

This is just one example of our work and our reach. We look forward to the year ahead as we continue to deepen the breadth and depth of our work.

Of course, none of this work would be possible without a dedicated board and staff, the generous contributions of our donors and volunteers, and the many partners who believe in our collective strength to create a world where we all can live free from violence.

In friendship and solidarity,

Patti Tototzintle
CEO, Casa de Esperanza
Casa de Esperanza develops leadership, supports advocacy and public policy, and builds community capacity locally and nationally to change the attitudes, behaviors, and systems that contribute to domestic violence.

Ivette Izea Martinez, Community Engagement Mgr, and Rosario de la Torre, Community Advocacy & Partnerships Mgr, at the National Latina Institute in Denver, CO.

Our staff, volunteers and Amig@s gather for a photo at the first Mujeres Latinas Expo.

An Amig@ puts some final touches on the altar for victims of domestic violence and the Dia de los Muertos event at El Colegio.

Volunteers, staff and Amig@s participate in Action Day at the Minnesota State Capitol to support funding for domestic violence and sexual assault services.

Community Engagement

Our impact...

77 amig@s engaged
3,400 people through their community action projects

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Fuerza Unida Amig@s: Youth Leaders mobilize the talents and energy of Latin@ youth to help end domestic violence. Youth receive culturally-based mentoring and leadership training so they can create their own community-action projects to teach others about healthy relationships, how to recognize abuse and prevent interpersonal violence, and other topics of interest to Latin@ youth in Minnesota.

Our impact...

30 latina girls gained new experiences at Camp Lakamaga
45 youth attended 4th annual youth conference

Our youth leaders’ stories were heard through their participation in the Women’s Foundation Young Women’s Listening panel.

Youth Initiatives
Casa de Esperanza provides an unduplicated continuum of direct services to Latin@ families in the Twin Cities’ metropolitan area who are experiencing domestic violence, from emergency shelter and assistance with transitional housing to advocates who will accompany survivors to legal and medical appointments.

Our impact...

96% of participants developed safety plans

45 families received holiday gifts through Proyecto Navidad

626 Latinas and their children received support from our family advocates

Volunteers from Nash Finch give the dining room at our shelter a fresh coat of paint as part of their annual Helping Hands day.

Our staff thank the Latino Peace Officers Association as they drop off a donation of turkeys for residents staying at our shelter over the Thanksgiving holiday.

Amig@s participate in the Decimos NO MAS campaign launch at the Minnesota Twins Champions Club in Minneapolis, MN.

Members of our family advocacy team and Minneapolis police officer, Carlos Baez Escobar, finished up filming a training video for law enforcement.
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Our reach...

244 organizations from 36 states
5,440 people trained from Puerto Rico & DC

and 4 countries
Peru, China, Cuba, & Dominican Republic

Training & Technical Assistance
Casa de Esperanza leads public policy initiatives that positively impact Latin@ families. We have actively worked with other organizations and networks to advance key policy and programmatic initiatives that have had a far-reaching impact.

Our impact...

Provided leadership in ensuring information and resources related to Latin@ and immigrant families and communities is shared and understood.

NHLA
Active Board Member of the National Hispanic Leadership Agenda and co-chair of NHLA Latina Task Force

National Task Force Steering Committee member and Immigration sub-committee co-chair

CEO Patti Tolotzintle joins NHLA Chair Hector Sanchez and Latina Task Force Co-chair Jessica Gonzalez-Roja at the NHLA press conference in Washington, DC.

Public Policy Intern, Jessica Manzano-Valdez captured this moment when the Supreme Court decision on same sex marriage was announced.

During Vice President Joe Biden’s visit to Minnesota he met with staff from various domestic violence organizations in the Twin Cities metro area.

Ruby White Starr, CSO, at the NHLA board meeting where Bernie Sanders shares campaign priorities.
Casa de Esperanza conducts academic and community-based participatory research that simultaneously documents learning while building community capacity to promote healthy relationships. All of our research is disseminated through our website to strengthen the breadth and depth of information and best practices in the field on how to work with Latin@ communities.

Our impact...

35 participants attended the Research & Evaluation Roundtable in Austin, TX

The research team launched the study “Housing Need of Latin@s” aimed at understanding the housing needs of survivors.

7 articles were submitted for publication by the research team.
Individual donors

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Department of Justice - Office on Violence Against Women  
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H.B. Fuller Company Foundation  
Hennepin County  
Hennepin County Services & Public Health Department  
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Kinney Family Foundation  
Mardag Foundation  
Minnesota Twins Baseball Club  
NoVo Foundation  
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Ramsey County Emergency Food and Shelter National Board Program  
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Womens Foundation of Minnesota
### Financial Information

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