Panelists

- Linda Chavez, Senior Clinic Coordinator, New Sanctuary Coalition
- Evelyn Cedeño-Naik, Program Manager, Community Education- Unrepresented Immigrants, Esperanza Immigrant Rights Project
- Moderator: Sukti Dhital, Executive Director, Robert and Helen Bernstein Institute for Human Rights, New York University School of Law

Justice Power

Justice Power uplifts the work of immigration organizations who partner with communities to know, use, shape and transform the laws and systems that impact their lives.

Justice Power is a network of activists and lawyers who engage in community-centered approaches to build power and increase access to immigrant justice. To learn more check out justicepower.org
What is Legal Empowerment

More than 5 billion people live without access to meaningful justice.

Legal empowerment strives for a different world — a rights-based methodology that centers people in their own fight for justice and creates opportunities to know, use, shape, and transform the laws and systems that impact people's lives.

The legal empowerment strategies featured on Justice Power center impacted communities in the right-claiming process, with a goal of building power, knowledge, and action from the grassroots.

About

New Sanctuary Coalition

Remote Pro Se Immigration Clinic
New Sanctuary Coalition

- We stand in solidarity
- We build and empower communities

We believe in:
- Migration is a human right
- No one should be deported

Our core values:
- Do no harm
- Respect
- No Judgment

How does the Pro Se Clinic work?

Structure

Remote Clinic
  New Friends
  Screeners (by phone)
  Daytime clinic
  Tuesday - Thursday (9:00)
  Waiting list

Returning Friends (according to deadlines)
  Waiting list
  Teams
  Work permits and COV
  Defensive asylum Applications
  Individual hearings prep
  Motions to reopen

Teams
**Accompaniment program**

*Only 45 Friends every week /
10-12 new Friends*

**What and when?**

Volunteers sign up

RSVP

Waiting list

Remote Clinic

New Friends

Returning Friends

New Friends

**Roles**

- **Friends**
  - Do they have a role?

- **Team Members-volunteers**
  - Computer person
  - Interpreter - language justice -
  - Notetaker - team admin

- **Attorneys (immigration and non-immigration attorneys)-volunteers**
  - They are not representing Friends!

- **Clinic Leaders-volunteers**
  - They are there to support us all (they are not staff members)

- **Coordinators-staff**

**Esperanza Immigrant Rights Project:**

Asylum Workshops
Esperanza Immigrant Rights Project

- A project of Catholic Charities of Los Angeles
- “We believe that all immigrants deserve access to education and representation. We teach, defend, and empower children and adults by giving them the tools they need to navigate the complex immigration system. Because here at Esperanza, we believe that immigrant rights are human rights.”
- Representation Program and Community Education Program

Community Education - Unrepresented Immigrants

- The Unrepresented Immigrants program provides adults and families in removal proceedings with important information and self-help services, and support them as they navigate the complex immigration system
- Services - consultations, orientations, workshops, pro bono placement, application and motion preparation

Asylum Workshops Structure (Pre-COVID)

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<td>• Receive resources and Spanish I-589</td>
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Consultations

- Walk-in Hrs.: Office & Court
- Assess options of relief
- Invitations to workshops, follow-up apps, motion preparation
- 3 days a week
Asylum Workshops Structure (Post-COVID)

Consultations
- Walk-in hrs. by phone
- Assess eligibility for relief
- Invite to workshops: follow-up apt
- Twice a week

Asylum 1 Presentation about the elements of Asylum, WOR, and CAT
- Email/whatsapp resources and Spanish I-589
- Twice a month Via Zoom

Asylum 2
- Esperanza attorney provides overview of the I-589
- Participants present Spanish I-589
- Twice a month Via Zoom

Preparation
- Participants and Spanish I-589
- Phone apt
- Access to Asylum Collab
- Staff and volunteers provided with intake info

Workshop Roles

Pre-COVID
- Esperanza Staff
  - Consultations, Asylum 1 Presentation, Asylum 2 (Volunteer Supervision and Preparation of Part B)
- General Volunteers
  - Asylum 2 (Preparation of Part A)
- Law Student Volunteers
  - Asylum 2 (Preparation of Part B)
- Attorney Volunteers
  - Asylum 2 (Preparation of Part B)

Post-COVID
- Esperanza Staff
  - Consultations, Asylum 1 & 2 Presentation, Preparation (Volunteer Supervision and Full Preparation)
- General Volunteers
  - Full Preparation (depending on level of experience)
- Law Student Volunteers
  - Full Preparation (depending on level of experience)
- Attorney Volunteers
  - Supervision of Volunteers

Questions
(Use the chat box on the right of your screen to ask questions.)
Thank you!

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