From Our Hearts to Yours

On behalf of Visión y Compromiso we want to wish all of you a very Happy Thanksgiving! This year it may be harder to get together in person and celebrate but that makes it even more important to let your friends and family know that you’re still thinking of them and that you’re thankful for their presence in your life. With that, we want to tell each and everyone of you that we are grateful to have you form part of our family. We are very fortunate to have the opportunity to work with promotores as dedicated and passionate as you. Thank you for sharing your wisdom, your courage, your strength, your motivation, your dedication, your compassion, and your love throughout the year. We are beyond grateful to your families as well for supporting you every step of the way. Thank you for allowing us into your life and for allowing us to walk hand in hand towards a healthy and dignified life.

Thank You for Participating in Our 19th Annual Conference

Our 19th Annual Conference was a total success! Thank you to all of you who participated and who were actively engaged in all the workshops, plenaries, and activities. It was wonderful to read your positive and constructive comments and feedback. This is what motivates us to surpass expectations each and every year. We do this with you and for you. We strive to bring you workshops and plenaries that will add to your toolbox so you can do what you do best: serve your community. We want you to take advantage of the recordings of the general sessions that you will find on the following site: www.vycconference.org. Workshop recordings and accompanying materials will be available in mid-November. You will receive an email with more information! Once again thank you and we look forward to seeing all of you next year!
Meet Five Promotores in Visión y Compromiso’s Orange County Network Committee

Many already know the work and the service from the heart of the promotores of Visión y Compromiso. They selflessly give their time, not only to their families but also to their community. They prepare by attending workshops and trainings. They have an insatiable thirst to help others. But do we know what they are like outside of their role as promotores? Join us to get to know five Visión y Compromiso Network promotores.

1. Where are you from? • 2. What are you passionate about doing? • 3. What do you enjoy the most? • 4. What bothers you?

FRANCIS GARCIA
1. Mexico City
2. I love to support my community, not only lend a hand but lend my two hands, my feet, all of me.
3. I enjoy helping others.
4. Injustices and inequalities.

ANITA TUTILA
1. El Salvador
2. Teach and read.
3. Being with my family and going out on trips.
4. When people don’t want to learn.

ANALETY HERNANDEZ
1. Chihuahua, México
2. Seeing my family and other people happy. Other people’s happiness reflects back on me.
3. I enjoy feeling well and spending time with my great grandchildren and my family. I enjoy observing beautiful landscapes and panoramas. I enjoy feeling welcomed and protected by God. I feel He’s with me.
4. It bothers me when people are not transparent, when they lie and are dishonest.

PILAR HERRERA
1. Mexico City
2. I am passionate about preparing, training, helping others and listening to happy music and Christian music.
3. Being with my children, feeling good and happy, and achieving my goals.
4. Dishonesty, the lies and the lack of transparency bothers me a lot.

GABRIELA LEMUS
1. Guatemala
2. I am passionate about seeing the happy faces of children when they are not expecting something and capturing that smile in a photograph.
3. What I enjoy the most is helping people who need support and seeing people move towards better opportunities. I enjoy the satisfaction of being able to serve and know that my intervention has been effective.
4. What bothers me the most is that the day only has 24 hours.
United in Advocacy

WHAT ARE YOUR COMMUNITY PRIORITIES?

The Network of Vision y Compromiso is building its platform of priority issues in preparation for supporting legislation in the upcoming California state legislature. These include health, housing, environment, immigration, health, education, and workforce concerns for promotores. This fall and winter these community necessities will be shared with state legislators for action in the legislature.

What are your priorities? Take the poll and help us identify our community priorities: https://forms.gle/DKDymqv2MGR82zrW8

PUSHING AHEAD ON IMMIGRATION REFORM

Congressman Lou Corea (D–Orange County) spoke during Visión y Compromiso’s 19th Annual Conference and told Democrats that we can not wait anymore for an Immigration Reform while Democrats control Congress and the White House. Promotores from our Network have also met with the congressional offices of Mike Garcia (R–Los Angeles), Jerry McNerney (D–San Joaquin Valley), Mike Takano (D–San Bernardino/Riverside), and Raul Ruiz, (D–Coachella). Over 40 Congressmembers have told Senate leaders to pass immigration reform bills even if they have to end the filibuster requirement.

To learn how you can help move the immigration reform forward for millions of undocumented, contact peter@visionycompromiso.org or your regional manager.
Would Extra Cash Help Your Family Thrive?

If your child has a SSN and you have a SSN or ITIN, submit your information and get your child checks at GetCTC.org/california-benefits. You'll get $250–$300 per month per child.

Don’t have an ITIN? You can apply for one NOW and then access your full Child Tax Credit of $3,000–$3,600 per child in the spring. Call 211 or visit myfreetaxes.org.

Whether it’s for groceries, childcare, or rent, the #ChildChecks are YOUR money for your kids. You’re eligible whether or not you file taxes and you won’t owe it back! All you need to apply is your name, contact, child's SSN, your SSN or ITIN and chah-ching, money in YOUR pocket.

Wondering if you qualify for the #ChildTaxCredit? You can access funds with little or no income. Payments won’t impact any other benefits you receive, nor count as taxable income. Have a non-traditional family structure? No problem! Any primary caregiver of a child is eligible.

Is your family immigrant or mixed status? The #ChildTaxCredit is for you too! If your child has a SSN and you have an ITIN, you’re golden. If not, you still have options and can apply for an ITIN NOW to get the #ChildChecks in the new year. Applying won’t impact your immigration status.

Californians: Are you eligible for the Child Tax Credit as an immigrant or mixed-status family?

**Does your child have a SSN?**

**YES**

You are eligible for the CTC. You can get up to $3,600 per child.

**Do you (the parent/caregiver) have a SSN or ITIN?**

**YES**

My family is mixed-status (I have an ITIN but my spouse doesn’t)

If your child has a SSN and you have a ITIN or SSN you can file a simplified return until Nov. 15 at GetCTC.org/california-benefits. You may also be eligible for other benefits if you file a full return during tax season starting January 2022. You can do so at either GetCTC.org/california-benefits or find local services at myfreetaxes.org.

You will be able to get the Child Tax Credit if you file your taxes as “married filing separately.” You’ll need to file a full return during tax season starting January 2022. You can do so at either GetCTC.org/california-benefits or find local services at myfreetaxes.org.

You may still be able to get the CTC. You will need to get an ITIN or renew your ITIN: see options above. Due to longer processing times, you should submit ASAP. For additional help, call 211 or go to myfreetaxes.org.

**NO**

You are not eligible for the CTC but there are other benefits available to you.

**Do you (the parent/caregiver) have a SSN or ITIN?**

**YES**

You may be eligible for the Golden State Stimulus and other benefits. You’ll need to file a full return during tax season starting January 2022. You can do so at either GetCTC.org/california-benefits or find local services at myfreetaxes.org.

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For information about these events and more, visit our events page.

PLEASE NOTE: Unless otherwise stated, these events are virtual and in Spanish.

**BAY AREA**
14th Regional Conference  
November 13, 9:00–12:00 pm

**NAPA**
Virtual Cafecito  
November 18  
5:00 pm

**SAN DIEGO**
Thanks to Life  
November 10  
9:00am to 12:00pm  
(In person: 4548 Sweetwater Rd, Bonita, CA 91902)

**LOS ANGELES & SAN FERNANDO**
Coalition Launch Benefits Access for Immigrant—Los Angeles Network (BAILA)  
November 16  
10:00am  
Zoom ID: 819 1296 8490  
Passcode: 144112

Food Programs Before Thanksgiving

United in Preventing e-cigarettes and Vaping  
November 4  
9:00–10:00 am

November 4  
6:00–7:00 pm

November 5  
9:00–10:00 am

November 5  
5:00–6:00 pm

November 8  
4:00–5:00 pm

November 9  
3:00–4:00 pm

November 10  
5:00–6:00 pm

November 12  
5:00–6:00 pm

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Eat better, smile bigger!

- Drink More Water
- Brush and Floss 2x Daily
- Visit the Dentist

**Healthy Smile Goals**

- ✓ Brush teeth twice a day
- ✓ Floss daily
- ✓ Schedule a dental check-up

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[Image of a tooth with smile, California, and the words smile, california.]

[Image of a tooth with checkmarks for dental hygiene tasks: brush teeth, floss, and dental check-up.]
Visión y Compromiso Employment Opportunities

Lead Promotor Comunitario: Kern, San Bernardino Counties and East Los Angeles
Promotor Comunitario: Kern, San Bernardino Counties and East Los Angeles
Finance Assistant

Administrative Assistant, Education and Training Department • Los Angeles
Policy Director

Program Manager • East Los Angeles Area
Program Manager • Kern & San Bernardino Counties
Network Manager • Inland Empire
Project Coordinator • Los Angeles
Promotor Comunitario, Tarzana Treatment Center
Community Health Educator • Humboldt, El Dorado, and Shasta
COVID-19 Promotor Comunitario • LA, San Fernando Valley and Antelope Valley

Please check our website for job descriptions for our current employment opportunities.