

CJ Legal/ Workforce
Development
Committee

MEMBERSHIP GOAL

CJ Legal/Workforce
Development
Committee wants YOU!

Committee Membership criteria:

Committee membership is opened to anyone interested in serving the Committee from all industries, skills, ethnic backgrounds, languages, and organization (profit/non-profit status).

To join, you do not need to be bilingual in Spanish nor you need to work in a not – for-profit organization in order to be involved with the Committee.

The Committee seeks skilled and committed individuals interested workforce training issues who want to make a difference while developing new leadership / work skills and/or expanding their professional community development circle.

We need:

- Business owners from all industry sectors
- Counselors from all fields
- Educators from all academic levels and disciplines
- Health Care workers
- Parents of children of all ages
- Professionals from all work fields
- School administrators
- Students
- Others

Join us!

Colaborando Juntos

Mission

The mission of the CJ Legal/ Workforce Development is to develop specific plan for increasing public awareness of critical workforce development issues and challenges faced by the Latino community.

We do this by helping build capability through community development based projects using a multi-cultural implementation approach, by encouraging partnerships, and by leveraging job and training development related resources.

Vision

Foster inclusive and innovative growth for the underserved Hispanic community in Central Virginia in the area of workforce training development.

CONTACT US!

For more information on CJ Workforce Development Team please contact:

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**CJ Legal &
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Committee
2008**

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COLABORANDO JUNTOS
LEGAL & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
COMMITTEE



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2008 OBJECTIVES

In collaboration with other CJ teams and the Central Virginia communities, to bridge the skills training and retraining gaps by Central Virginia's under-employed Latino youth.

We do this by engaging in community projects aiming at identifying and removing barriers of Latino youth in obtaining desirable employment, skills training attainment, and workplace advancement.

COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP

1. My Lan Tran, City of Richmond
Office of Minority Business
Development—Team Leader
2. Tina Bessent, The United Way
Team Member
3. Atty. Jamie Sasser, Bucci & Dix, LLC
Law Firm —Team Member
4. Valerie Liggins, Henrico Area
Mental Health & Retardation Services
Team Member

PAST EVENTS

JANUARY 2008—APRIL 2008

1. Committee First Outreach Seminar. Date: February 5th, 2008 from 3-5 pm. Location: Senior Connections in Richmond. Topic: "Mastering Your Self Presentation Skills". Speaker: Attorney Rick Chess. Main Sponsor: Colaborando Juntos. Other sponsors: AARP and Senior Connections.

of Attendants: 45.

2. Teen Job Symposium 2008. Date: April 26th, 2008 from 8:30 am to 1 pm. Location: J. Sargeant Reynolds Community College, Parham Road campus in Richmond. Topics: Various job, training, and career readiness sessions for youth. Main Sponsor: Too Smart to Start Coalition. Speakers: Various. Co-sponsors: Henrico Area Mental Health & Retardation Services, Colaborando Juntos, and other community partners.

of Attendants: 250.

3. Monthly Committee Strategic Planning Meetings, various dates From 3-5 pm at the United Way and Senior Connections Offices in Richmond.

Attendants: Between 4-6.

ADOPTED GOALS AND PROJECTS FOR 2008

Making Connections and Raising Awareness on Latino Workforce Development Issues & Challenges

Goal:

To increase the level of awareness of the Latino community in the Richmond Metro area by broadening the scope of interaction between the Latino community and the mainstream community/organizations pertaining to legal and workforce development issues.

We do this through grass-roots community development activities and special projects throughout the year.

Sharing Best Practices and Social Leadership For Social Growth

Goal:

To grow the membership of the Committee by involving as many volunteers from within CJ core community (and Beyond) as possible, to share best practices , and to seed new initiatives for change within the Colaborando Juntos community.

UPCOMING PROJECTS AND EVENTS

**Informal Survey of Youth Service Providers at
Youth Symposium** to determine their levels of interests in servicing Latino youth—April 28, 2008.

Two Community Projects – Focus: Youth and the World of Work. Period: May—October 2008.

**One Outreach/Workforce Development
Education & Networking Event**
Date: Early December 2008 (TBA)