



PRESS RELEASE
October 7th, 2015

The Consulate of Mexico in Santa Ana announced the "Voluntades of Orange County Coalition" to assist victims of domestic violence, sexual abuse and trafficking.

Domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking are public health problems that affect all layers of our community in Orange County, which require a comprehensive approach to mitigate their effects and to better serve victims.

According to reports from the Office of the District Attorney of Orange County, from 2010 to 2014 there have been more than 50,606 calls related to domestic violence. Every year in Orange County, there are over 3,000 women and children entering domestic violence shelters in Orange County.

To address these problems a group of agencies, law enforcement authorities, community organizations and governmental offices have decided to join efforts in a good willing alliance called "Voluntades of Orange County Coalition" to foster and enhance the scopes of the services available for victims.

The main objectives of the Voluntades Coalition are 1) to raise awareness of the negative effects of domestic violence, sexual abuse and trafficking at the wider community of Orange County, 2) identify all the resources and services available to ensure direct and comprehensive assistance for victims, 3) provide direct assistance to victims (legal and psychological), 4) educate the community about the nature of this phenomena through prevention campaigns.

Victims or interested person can approach our of the participants agencies to ask for assistance or further information.

Therefore, a press conference will take place on October 7th, starting at 11:00 hrs. at the Orange County Family Justice Center (150 W Vermont Ave, Anaheim, CA 92805)