



WIN membership is open to all current and former Washington State Employees

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Spotlight on MLK

Martin Luther King Day is right around the corner. This year will be honoring Martin Luther King Jr. on January 17, 2022; the federal holiday is observed every year on the third Monday of January. For anyone interested in serving their community, Washington Service Corps will be hosting volunteer opportunities on Monday, January 17, throughout Washington. Please visit their website for more information on [MLK day of service](#).

Upcoming WIN Events

WIN-Public Speaking Group

Thursday, January 27, 2022

11:30 AM 12:00 PM



This is a supportive and inclusive environment where people should feel comfortable engaging in speaking and evaluation activities. Our goal is to help develop the professional skill of effectively speaking in front of groups of people in meetings or audiences.

If you would like to practice public speaking, please sign up for Washington Immigrant Network's "WIN-Public Speaking Group". The schedule will depend on the number of people we have signed up for each date. Please have a two-minute speech prepared that you would like to receive feedback on.

Feedback will be provided by those who are in attendance through an objective evaluation.

[Join Us via Teams:](#)

Or call in (audio only)

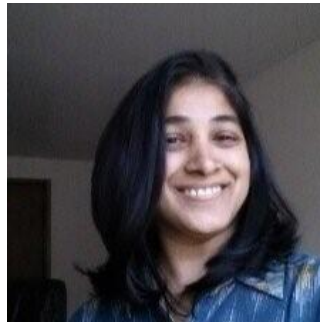
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WIN Meet & Greet

Thursday, January 27, 2022

4:00 PM 5:00 PM



Hosted by: Anu Rao, Membership Outreach Subcommittee Chair

Anu Rao (she/her) emigrated from India and currently working as Talent Acquisition –Business Manager for the State of Washington Department Social and Health Services. Anu has over 18 years of experience working in various HR-recruitment activities, and various roles in diverse organizations private and State government agencies.

Anu's education includes an MBA, with an emphasis in Human Resource Management & Marketing from Maharishi University of Management, Iowa, a Bachelor of Science, India and other associate certifications in IT technology courses.

She has a great passion for recruitment and loves cooking Indian food, being physically active. She also enjoys travelling different countries to explore nature and culture.

[Click to register](#)

General Membership Meeting

February 1, 2022 from Noon -1:00 pm

WIN invites you to our next general membership meeting on February 1, 2022. We plan to highlight Black History Month and discuss what it means and looks like to be an ally to the immigrant community in 2022. We look forward to seeing you all there and advancing our work in supporting the immigrant community this year!

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 867 8744 7524
Passcode: 312248

Julie Campos Immigrant Story



I am excited I get to share my immigrant background with the WIN community this month. Although, I am not an immigrant myself, both of my parents are immigrants. My dad grew up in Michoacan, Mexico and my mother was born and raised in Comala, Colima, Mexico ([Pueblo Mágico](#)). Both of my parents came to the United States in the early 1980's as teens and later on met each other in Pasco, Washington. Due to their historical timing of their emigration, both of them were eligible for amnesty. My mother became a U.S. citizen in 1995 and my dad in 2006. I genuinely believe their ability to become U.S. Citizens has positively impacted and influenced my family and me.

Although there were some challenges growing up as a daughter of immigrants, for example, being the first in my family to navigate higher education, there is so much more to enjoy and embrace within my identity. I have a culture that I love celebrating, I am bilingual, I have learned traditions I can pass on to my own family, and I have learned some of the best recipes from my mom and dad for making Mexican food.

Finally, having immigrant parents, gives me a family and community in Mexico and a reason to travel. One of the beautiful hidden gems in Mexico I explored with my sister and cousin a few years ago was Barra de Navidad in the state of Jalisco. I am so grateful to continue to share my culture with you all!



This is a photo I took of the Volcán de Colima in 2015. It's a landmark in the state of Colima.



Would you like to share your immigrant story with us?

We are collecting Immigrant Stories to highlight in our newsletter, social media, YouTube and website. Please submit your short immigrant story by completing the form below or by video recording. Thank you and we are looking forward to amplifying your story! Please visit our Immigrant Story [page](#). You can also send us an email

at WIN@ofm.wa.gov.

Volunteer Opportunities

The Multicultural Service Center of South Sound

Are you interested in volunteering and making a difference in your community? [The Multicultural Service Center of South Sound](#) needs volunteers. We are a charitable 501(c)(3), a non-profit organization reaching out to diverse communities of south sound including immigrant communities to:

- Provide information, resources, and culturally competent services
- Provide advocacy opportunities for members and partnering member organizations.
- Conduct cultural and educational events.
- Promote and support exchanges between ethnic cultural groups in the South Sound area.

We need volunteers like you. Volunteers can help organize and provide various events such as civic engagement workshops, leadership development conferences, English as second language class, citizenship class, history, and cultural learning and sharing events to name a few.

Please contact Kim Sauer for more information at: boardmscss@gmail.com

Department of Health is recruiting young people to join their new Youth Advisory Council

The Adolescent and Young Adult Health team in Prevention and Community Health is recruiting Washingtonians ages 13-21 for a new [Youth Advisory Council](#).

The Youth Advisory Council is a body of young people who discuss thoughts, opinions, and ideas about public health topics relevant to adolescents and young adults.

In addition, the council gives advice and makes recommendations to Department of Health staff on adolescent and young adult public health programming.

For more information and to apply by Monday, Jan. 31, go to [WA Portal webpage](#).

Questions? Please [contact Alexis Bates](#).

Internship Opportunity

DSHS Internship Program- Summer 2022

DSHS's Internship Program is open to all qualified college students to learn, grow, and start a meaningful, rewarding career! We invite you to visualize doing meaningful work as part of our team and making a difference to the communities we serve in the state of Washington!

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WHO WE ARE:

Support the professional development of immigrant state employees.
Recommend strategies to advance recruitment, retention, career progression and leadership development.
Educate state agencies on the experience, skills and knowledge of immigrants and the value of a diverse workforce.

WHAT WE DO:

Provide a support structure, educational resources and leadership assistance for immigrant state employees.
Encourage immigrants to consider the state as an employer of choice through inter-agency and external outreach activities.
Serve as a resource for the Office of Financial Management, State Human Resources division and state agencies in creating and sustaining a diverse and inclusive workforce.

[BRG Participation Policy FAQ](#)



WIN's 2020-21 Annual Report

Highlights include:

Letter from Chair- Kim Sauer
Diversity Cookbook
We Are Not Silent: Bystander Intervention
June 2021 Immigrant Celebration
Ron Chew's Seattle History Tour
and more...

[Click to see WIN's 2020-21 Annual Report](#)

Find us on Youtube.com!

Meet the Washington Immigrant Network [Leadership Team](#) and some of our wonderful [members and volunteers](#).

