



City of Bellevue

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 9, 2018

TO: Human Services Commission Members

FROM: Alex O'Reilly, Manager
Human Services Division
Parks & Community Services Department

Meeting Agenda for Tuesday May 15, 2018 Room 1E113

Cynthia Moreno-MSW Intern Presentation

As we mentioned a few months ago, we traditionally have our outgoing MSW interns do a brief presentation to the Human Services Commission on a topic covered during their time at the City of Bellevue. Before we begin the discussion of our applications in Goals 2 and 3, Cynthia will briefly present the Human Services Commission with findings from her Master's Thesis, **Mexican Immigrants Under the 45th U.S. Presidency: Impacts of Heightened Immigration Enforcement and Anti-Immigrant Sentiment.**

The inspiration for this project came from her personal experience being a U.S. born citizen from a family of Mexican immigrants. Since the 2016 presidential campaign season, she has witnessed how the current administration's language and actions related to Mexican immigrants has sparked emotional and behavioral changes from members of this community. This presentation will detail what she found in interviews with 8 immigrants, their perceptions of this presidency, and how it compares to past administrations in relation to strengthening immigration enforcement and anti-immigrant sentiment. In addition to sharing themes from these conversations, she will discuss implications for social service organizations, funding considerations, and further research.

First Review and Discussion of Applications in Goals 2 and 3

The Commission will review the applications in Goals 2 and 3 using the same process as last time: each team will share some comments about the proposals they have read with the rest of the Commissioners and note initially if they want to consider the proposal for funding without discussing specific dollar amounts. Staff will take notes about additional questions that Commissioners have about the proposals and get responses from applicants. These will be included in the staff reviews that will be provided prior to the next review of the applications.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Alex O'Reilly at (425) 452-2824, aoreilly@bellevuewa.gov or Dee Dee Catalano at (425) 452-6165 dcatalano@bellevuewa.gov

Also, if you have not already done so, please let Alex know if you are unable to attend the meeting.