

Annual Alliance Report

U.S. Department of Labor Occupational Safety and Health Administration Dallas Area Office and Fort Worth Area Office And Consulate of Mexico in Dallas Texas

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I. Alliance Background

A. Date Signed

August 26, 2013 - End Date: Aug 26, 2015

B. Evaluation Period

August 26, 2013 through August 26, 2014

C. Overview

Alliance with the Consulate of Mexico in Dallas and the Dallas and Fort Worth Area Offices and directed towards reducing injuries, illnesses and fatalities in general and construction industries. The Consulate conducts routine safety presentations where worker rights and best practices are addressed, and guest speakers provide safety information to address hazards in Spanish.

D. Implementation Team Members

Consulado de Mexico in Dallas

Sergio Hayakawa, Special Consul for Protection
Jose Octavio Tripp Villanueva, Consul General de Mexico

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Stephen Boyd, Area Director (AD), Dallas Area Office
Elias Vela, Compliance Assistance Specialist (CAS), Dallas Area Office

II. Implementation Team Meetings

Worker Rights week was held on the last week of August in 2013 and in 2014. CAS Elias Vela was invited and provided oral and Power-point presentations in the lobby of the Consulate of Mexico where an audience of approximately one-hundred (100) to two-hundred (200) Mexican Nationals were attentive and participated in a Question and Answer periods.

Opportunities were provided during the evaluation period where CAS Elias Vela returned to the lobby of waiting Mexican Nationals and these oral presentations were repeated, and OSHA outreach literature was distributed in Spanish.

Activities, Events and Products

Outreach and Communication

- **Events**
 - Labor Rights week Aug 2013
 - Workplace Safety and Health talks at the Consulate lobby Nov 7, 2013
 - Presentations at the lobby on Feb 6, 2014
 - Mobile Consulate of Mexico in Tyler, TX on Feb 22, 2014
 - Labor Rights week Aug 26-29, 2014

Promoting dialogue on Workplace Safety and Health

- **Events**
 - No National dialogue at this time
- **Products**
 - Construction Focus Four Hazards book in Spanish and English
 - Other literature promoting workplace safety and health at their outreach events/seminars
 - OSHA Posters were referenced and distributed in Spanish
 - Website for the Consulate: <http://consulmex.sre.gob.mx/dallas/>

III. Results

Participation in the alliance has helped maintain and improve the knowledge and sharing of best practices. In addition to the meetings covering National Safety Stand-Down for Falls in Construction, heat stress, distracted driving, slings inspection and safety, cell phone policies, cranes, and other topics, meetings on fatality trends, best practices, and new regulations were distributed.

IV. Upcoming Milestones

The DAO will continue to support and assist in the outreach efforts and scheduled events of the Mobile Consulate of Mexico at various locations throughout North and East Texas

The DAO will continue to provide a speaker in Spanish to conduct worker rights talks at the lobby of the Consulate of Mexico on a monthly basis in FY 2015.