

ASSESSING VLAB AREAS OF EXPERTISE/EXPERIENCE

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WHAT IS YOUR AREA(S) OF SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTISE OR EXPERIENCE?

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RESPONSES WERE SHARED VIA EMAIL.
HERE ARE A FEW HIGHLIGHTS:

- Social media management/emerging entrepreneurship among Latino youth.
- I'm interested in influencing state agencies to address the lack of readily accessible data on health of Latinos and Latino health care workforce in Virginia.
- I can help fundraise for VIAB to become more visible.
- As a new member, I'm not certain of all the efforts of the board thus far, but I would very much like to commit time to assess attendance/retention of Latino students in higher ed in our state.
- I would like to continue helping organizing regional events, such as symposiums or forums, to enlist the community's voice and to keep in touch with issues that most impact Latinos in order to help VIAB craft recommendations and appropriately advise the Governor. This will also help us to continue identifying individuals to serve on Boards and Commissions.

Thank you for your participation, and for
serving the Commonwealth!

Assessing VLAB member areas of subject matter expertise and experience

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VLAB member name:

Sergio Rimola

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Healthcare, Environment

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VLAB member name:

Karina Kline-Gabel

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Professor of Spanish, Access & Inclusion, Latino undergraduate students

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VLAB member name:

Louisa Meruvia

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Public Speaking, Art and Culture, Volunteer Management, Public Relations

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Yes, I have many contacts in the Media and feel we need to place ourselves in the eyes of the Community so as to be effective. I can help fundraise for VLAB to become more visible. Teaching civic education to those Latino immigrants who do not participate in voting during elections for lack of information and knowledge. Create a Speakers bank who would go to schools, churches and other areas where a high number of Latino migrants reside and teach them about America and the privileges that exist for them, as well as, opportunities existent for them. Encouraging Hispanics to participate in Committees, events and elections processes with VLAB.

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VLAB member name:

Vivian Sanchez-Jones

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Education and Business

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VLAB member name:

Cecilia Barbosa

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

public health, governance, planning, statistics, research, writing

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VLAB member name:

Juan Espinoza

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Education

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VLAB member name:

J Michael Martinez de Andino

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Attorney, specializing in Intellectual Property and Contractual work.

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continue working to expand medical and other protection for VA Latinos

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VLAB member name:

Jorge Yinat, Ph.D.

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Business Development

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Business Development and Economic Development Opportunities

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VLAB member name:

Victoria Cartagena

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Education, Civic Engagement, Mental Health

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Social media management / emerging entrepreneurship among Latino youth

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VLAB member name:

Ana Solorio

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

engineering, manufacturing, innovation, business strategy

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VLAB member name:

Diana C. Vall-Ilobera

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

law, politics, policy, organization

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I think I'm good at keeping us focused (both in terms of time in meetings and also what goals we set out for ourselves). I'm not sure exactly how that might translate into a useful skill. Heading a subcommittee? Or taking part in the restructuring conversation in March that may reorganize/rethink our committees, etc.?

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VLAB member name:

Chris Falcon

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Law, local and state government and community organizing

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Someone from VLAB should be tracking proposed legislation coming out of Richmond that affects the Latino community (i.e. HB 2000/sanctuary city bill). We also need to consider restructuring our committees. I am happy to lead a new legislative affairs committee that tracks legislation and takes the pulse of the community on those issues.

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VLAB member name:

Aida Pacheco

Area(s) of subject matter expertise or experience:

Extensive experience in program development and management, provision of technical assistance and consultation, networking and building collaborative partnerships, and community organizing and planning with a special focus on underserved and underrepresented populations.

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