

## You're Invited!

The Latino Collaborative Meets  
Every Fourth Tuesday  
of the Month.

To find out the location of the  
meetings or to add yourself to the  
email list, please send an email to  
LatinoCollaborative@smcgov.org

*Everyone is welcome!*



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# Latino Collaborative



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO  
HEALTH SYSTEM  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
& RECOVERY SERVICES

In 2014 there were 55 million Latinos in the United States, of which 37.6 million speak Spanish at home. California has the largest Latino population of any state. In San Mateo County, 25.4% of the residents are Hispanic/Latino.



The Latino Collaborative of San Mateo County meets regularly to respond to and reduce social and health disparities.

### **Mission**

To give a voice to the Latino community by working together to support mind-body-soul and healthcare practices that are culturally appropriate.

### **Vision**

- Create stronger, safer and more resilient families through holistic practices.

- Promote a stigma-free environment.
- To provide fair access to health and social services, independently of health insurance coverage.
- Appreciate and respect traditional practices.
- Recognize and incorporate Latino history, culture and language into Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS).

### **Objectives**

- Provide services in Spanish.
- Outreach, educate and empower the community.
- Educate San Mateo County employees about Latino traditions.
- Strengthen collaboration with the community services system.
- Ensure that BHRS policies respect Latino culture.

### **Activities**

- Listen to the community through Health Fairs and other events.
- Participate in resource fairs providing information and referrals.
- Art and cultural celebrations.
- Recruit and train staff to understand Latino heritage, spirituality and language.



### **Collaborative Members**

Participation in the Collaborative is voluntary. Members consist of service providers from Behavioral Health and Recovery Services and contract agencies, clients, consumers, families, advocates and community members vested in the well being and empowerment of the Latino community of San Mateo County. We invite you to join us!

We welcome our clients, consumers, family and community members. If you would like to join the Latino Collaborative, please email the Co-Chairs at [LatinoCollaborative@smcgov.org](mailto:LatinoCollaborative@smcgov.org).