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### Spring Project Plan

**Research Question:** *How do current healthcare policies and systems within the United States effect immigrants (noncitizens and undocumented) ability to access and recieve healthcare?*

### **Description of the Project**

The project that I have decided to take on is a two part supply drive. The first part is a supply donation directly to the clinic. I am applying for funding in hope that I can donate a large amount of supplies or one more expensive medical tool that would be useful for the clinic. The second part of this project is a supply drive for the community members. Getting supplies like bandaids, over the counter medication, and other medical supplies would help the community direct;y and would eliminate the middle man of the clinic which would be helpful. Together, these two pieces will help get resources to a community that is usually in a healthcare desert.

### **Potential Challenges**

While working on this project, some of the possible challenges lie in relying on other people in order for this project to work. Without funding from eagle endowment and without the donation of supplies by people around American University it will be incredibly difficult. Furthermore, deciding where to place boxes for supplies will also be a challenge because i will most likely need to get approval from the school and there is a chance that people don't end up putting anything into them which would be disappointing.

## **Personnel Involved**

La Clínica Del Pueblo:

La Clinica Del Pueblo provides healthcare services to immigrants and underserved communities in the DC metropolitan area. As a non-profit organization, La Clinica Del Pueblo provides educational resources and healthcare services to anyone who need help. Through them I will be able to give supplies to the community members but also hopefully to their clinic as well.

## **Timeline**

### January:

- Contact La Clínica Del Pueblo again about their needs
  - Sending them an email or calling them on the phone and asking them about the specific things that are in demand will give me a good idea of if things need to be shifted around slightly in my timeline.
- Begin picking locations for the supply drive
  - There are many options with where I can collect supplies: Dorm Buildings, Mary Graydon Center, Kerwin, etc.

### February:

- Begin promoting the supply drive
  - I can make flyers and start handing them out and hanging them up displaying where and when to drop supplies off at.
- Figure out how to get La Clinica Del Pueblo what they have requested
  - Depending on what La Clinica requests I might need to get in contact with medical supply suppliers

### March:

- Continue to promote the supply drive
- Begin using funding from eagle endowment (if I receive it)

### April:

- Donate the supplies to the community and to La Clinica Del Pueblo

### **Budget**

Ideally the budget of this project will be around \$1,000. I will be submitting an application to eagle endowment in order to provide La Clinica Del Pueblo with medical supplies or funding depending on their needs. If I can not receive that funding the budget would then be zero dollars and would rely on peoples donation of supplies. Along with that, I hope to do a supply drive of medical supplies like bandaids and over the counter medication that can be donated directly to people in the community instead of to the clinic so that way people have easier access to the supplies when they need it.

### **Evaluation of the Project**

1. The first measure of of success will be if I am able to get supplies for La Clinica Del Pueblo. If I receive funding and have a way to meet their needs, actually meeting their request will be one way in which I know that my project is a success.
2. The second measure of success will be if I am able to get medical supplies to community members through the supply drive. If people donate supplies and I am able to distribute them to people in need then I will be able to count that as successful as well.