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**Latino Leaders Set Up Phone Bank
Number to call: 801-487-4143**



SALT LAKE CITY – Today, Utah Latinos leaders set up a “phone bank” for the Latino community to inquire about how to contact their Legislators. After a weekend call to action to sign The Utah Compact, Latino leaders decided to organize a centralized location to receive information about Legislators and where they stand on immigration related bills at the Capitol.

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WHAT: Phone Bank. Know who your Legislator is

WHERE: Comunidades Unidas (1349 South State St. Suite 211 SLC)

WHEN: Monday –Thursday

TIME: 8:00 am to 6:00 pm

Tony Yapias, Director of Proyecto Latino de Utah said “Many in the Latino community have been asking for how they can get more involved in the political process and setting up the phone bank will be a great additional resource we need.” We are entering the most critical stage at the Legislature as immigration bills are moving forward. Latino leaders are calling on the community and supporters to get involved by contacting their legislators and ensuring that their voices be heard.

The phone bank will operate from Comunidades Unidas. Latinos who want to know how to contact a Legislator will be guided and provided with relevant information. Stephanie Pitcher, Coordinator for Enriching Utah Coalition, a program of Comunidades Unidas, said “our staff and volunteers are looking forward to assisting Latinos with information they need to get involved with the legislative process.” All staff and volunteers are bilingual and will be answering calls from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday-Thursday.

The phone bank is being supported by the following organizations: Enriching Utah Coalition, Comunidades Unidas, Centro Civico Mexicano, Utah Coalition of La Raza (UCLR), SLC Brown Berets, Utah Federation of Mexican Clubs and Proyecto Latino de Utah.

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