San Diego Refugee Forum

Date Time Tuesday, January 16, 2018 10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Location Address International Rescue Committee 5348 University Avenue, #205 San Diego, CA 92115

Agenda Items

Topic	Time
Welcome & Introductions: Rebecca Paida, Chair	10:30
Membership & Financials: Oren Robinson, Treasurer	
Task Force Updates	10:40
o Advocacy Task Force	
o Asylum Seeker Task Force	
o Domestic Violence Task Force	
o Employment Task Force	
 Health Task Force 	
 World Refugee Day Planning Committee 	
Resettlement and County Updates	10:45
o Reception and Placement: VOLAGs	
o State Advisory Committee:	
o Mohammed Tuama, Newcomers Support and Development	
 Kathi Anderson, Survivors of Torture, International 	
o County of San Diego:	
 Abdi Abdillahi, County Refugee Coordinator 	
 Christine Murto, Refugee Health Coordinator 	
Focus: A Qualitative Assessment of the Psychological Well Being of Asylum Seekers Prior to their	10:55
Multi-modal Journey to the United States	
o Presenter: Dr. Sheila Mitra-Sarkar, Ph.D., Elizabeth Lopez, and Kathi Anderson	
Spotlight: Basis International University	11:25
o Presenter:William Amoke, Chandellor	
Community Announcements	11:40
Approval of Meeting Minutes: Jackline Mola, Secretary	11:55
Adjournment: Rebecca Paida, Chair	12:00

Other Information

Next Meeting: Tuesday, February 20, 2018

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