

2014 Year-End Summary



OUTREACH

The Division of Immigrant Policies & Affairs (DIPA) has participated in 49 outreach events and reached 3,126 individuals.



ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING

DIPA participated in 20 anti-trafficking task force meetings and encountered six suspected human trafficking victims. Two of the six suspected trafficking victims were referred to OTDA and DCJS for confirmation. A total of five were confirmed as “victims” and one U-visa certification was issued.



HOTLINE CALLS

The Hotline enables callers to seek assistance and guidance. In 2014, DIPA received a total of 170 calls to the Hotline. Forty six of those calls were reports of Labor Law Violations and seventeen of those cases were resolved by the Division of Labor Standards, resulting in \$154,123.49 in monies that were returned to workers.



AGRICULTURE LABOR PROGRAM (AgLP)

AgLP Staff conducted 1,131 Field Visits and met with 910 agricultural businesses. Of the 7,642 workers contacted, 3,927 were identified as MSFWs. There were 1,122 Apparent Violations involving 506 businesses. Of these 506 businesses 421 of them came into compliance, addressing 908 of the Apparent Violations. The AgLP assisted in the recovery of \$44,508.44 in monies owed to 77 workers.



FOREIGN LABOR CERTIFICATION UNIT (FLCU)

The FLCU received and processed 293 H-2A orders requesting 3,999 workers and 348 H-2B job orders requesting 4,859 workers for New York State businesses. FLCU provided Spanish language interpretation services for 49 telephone job interviews, which resulted in 20 hires.