In alignment with our values and commitment to the wellbeing of our community, MANA de San Diego will be canceling our upcoming César Chávez Day of Service.

As a Latina-led organization, we stand in solidarity with survivors of sexual assault. We also recognize the continued leadership of Dolores Huerta, whose courage and lifelong commitment to justice continue to guide and inspire our communities.

Across the United States, 1 in 3 Latinas will experience intimate partner violence or sexual assault in their lifetime. This reality calls us to lead with care, to center dignity, and to create spaces where our community feels safe, supported, and respected. Source: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs; World Health Organization (2021).

Our intention for this gathering was to uplift the legacy of the farmworker movement as a source of inspiration for Latina youth navigating a complex and often divisive social climate. We hold deep respect for this movement and the generations of leaders who have advanced civil rights, dignity, and opportunity for our communities. We also recognize that no one individual defines a movement, and that its legacy continues to evolve through reflection, accountability, and collective leadership.

At this moment, we feel it is important to pause and ensure that when we come together, we do so in a way that fully honors that legacy while also inviting thoughtful reflection on how we continue to center the voices, safety, and leadership of Latinas in the work ahead.

We remain committed to creating spaces where Latina leaders and youth feel inspired, supported, and safe. We look forward to reimagining this gathering and coming together with intention.

With care and solidarity,
MANA de San Diego