



NCDVD

440 West Neck Road , Huntington, NY 11743
631-645-8210 | Fax 631-812-0249 | www.ncdvd.org

Dear brother vocation director!

Welcome to the Hispanic Vocations Resources pages!

As you may already know, these resource pages are an initiative to deepen the discussion on Hispanic vocations. Soon, fifty percent of Catholics in the United States will be of Hispanic decent, yet the ordination class is only fifteen percent each year. From that, only 3-4% are second generation. The NCDVD Hispanic Workshops held in 2015-2016 have been an opportunity to engage in a process of evangelization, catechesis and vocational discernment, but the most fruitful conversation has been how to inspire, motivate and guide, you, the vocation director to enter into this breach.

On these pages, you will find resources we distributed in these workshops and the material that crystalized during them.

The committee has worked diligently to develop, execute, and evaluate the four workshops around the country, but also to envision the next phase and role of NCDVD in this national dialogue. I am incredibly grateful to the committee for all their sacrifices and their commitment to the mission.

As we discern the next step, one process and event in the coming discussion is the *V Encuentro*, which is an initiative from the USCCB cultural diversity office. The *V Encuentro* will bring forth a process from parish to diocese to USCCB and back down to the parish as a method to engage Hispanics in the faith. Naturally, NCDVD wants to be at the table for this important discussion. I encourage you to engage the process in your own respective dioceses. You can find out more information on the *V Encuentro* at <http://vencuentro.org/>

On behalf of the Hispanic sub-committee, we would like to thank you for all you are doing to promote vocations not only in Hispanic settings but within all the people God is asking you to serve.

Sincerely,

Fr. Jorge Torres

Rev. Jorge Torres
Vocations Director
Chair of Hispanic Sub- Committee