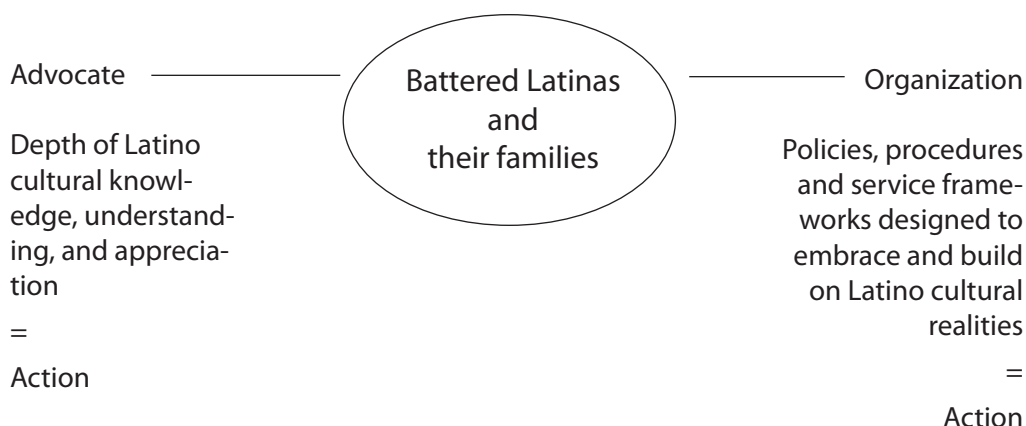


Latina Advocacy Framework*

The role of an effective domestic violence advocate is to listen to a woman, support her in her decisions, and be creative. It can be summarized by the four P's: be patient, proactive, positive, and a problem-solver.

Latina advocacy is much more than speaking Spanish, being Latina, or understanding cultural differences.** It is a mindset...a framework for approaching advocacy with Latinas. The following diagram represents the framework of Casa de Esperanza's Latina Advocacy and is based on more than 27 years of domestic violence advocacy with battered Latinas.

Successful Latina advocacy is a combination of both organizational commitment and the individual advocate's commitment and training. Quality Latina advocacy is not possible without both of these components—no matter how hard you work at it.



*Advocacy model designed to serve immigrant Latinas and those raised in the USA with strong ties to Latino cultures, customs, and traditions.

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