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Women Holding Office

6th annual celebration

Monday, April 28, 2014, 6-8pm

Women Holding Office Recognition and Isabelle Ahearn O'Neill Awards

Kirkbrae Country Club, Lincoln, RI

reception / complimentary hors d'oeuvres / cash bar

tickets \$25: www.ywcari.org/who

purchase tickets online / must be reserved in advance / seating limited

contact: YWCA Rhode Island

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keynote speaker

Rosie Hidalgo is the Director of Public Policy at Casa de Esperanza, a national Latina organization whose mission is to mobilize Latinas and Latino communities to end domestic violence. Casa de Esperanza also coordinates the National Latin@ Network for Healthy Families and Communities, with a focus on providing national training and technical assistance, research, and policy advocacy. Hidalgo has worked in the movement to end domestic violence for the past 20 years. She previously worked as an attorney at legal services programs for low-income families in New York City and in Northern Virginia. She then served as the Director of Programs and later as the Director of Policy and Research for the National Latino Alliance for the Elimination of Domestic Violence. Hidalgo also lived in the Dominican Republic for four years, until 2006, where she helped establish and coordinate a community-based domestic violence prevention and intervention network and worked as a consultant for the World Bank on social services reforms. She serves on the Steering Committee of the National Task Force to End Sexual and Domestic Violence and has served on the American Bar Association Commission on Domestic and Sexual Violence since 2010. Hidalgo received her undergraduate degree from Georgetown University and her law degree from New York University School of Law.

YWCA Rhode Island is committed to supporting women who hold office, women planning to run for office or becoming involved in campaigns, and encouraging women to become more included in the electoral process.

Since 1867, YWCA Rhode Island has been a vehicle for women to come together to spearhead local, national, and international efforts for peace, justice, freedom, and dignity.

Rhode Island's first female legislator was Isabelle Ahearn O'Neill in 1922. She received other state and national titles including Deputy Senate Floor Leader and Democratic National Committee Woman. In 2011, YWCA created the Isabelle Ahearn O'Neill Award to celebrate and honor exemplary local women holding office.

