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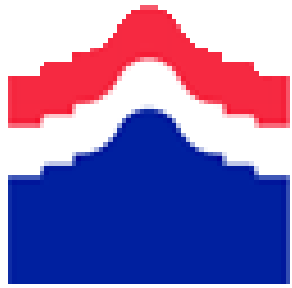

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# Life can be hard, but you can't give up

by Brenda

I will tell you about my life. Try to imagine yourself in it. Think about how hard my life has been and see for yourself that people do not give up. They keep trying their best every day, for the rest of their lives.

I never met my father. He died when I was a baby. I hate the man who killed him. He took away half of my childhood and the love of a father that will never have. I never knew how it felt to have a dad. Some of my friends use to tell me, "My dad is the best dad in the whole wide world." I wanted my dad to be able to protect me like all dads do and to tell me, "Don't worry my little princess, I will never let anything bad happen to you, I promise."

I still had my mother but it was not the same. We were living in **Mexico**. My mother took care of us, made us laugh when we were sad and helped us in what ever we needed help in. She gave us everything that we needed. My mother was beautiful. I loved her so much. At that time I was four years old, my brother was ten and my sister fifteen. I was happy with my life. I spent most of my time with my mother because my brother and sister were in school.

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Then something horrible happened. My mother had a car accident and died. People that saw the accident said that before she died, she sent out her blessing to us from where lay in the road. I could not believe that my mother had died. She was my world. That night we stayed at my uncle's house. The next day my grandparents made the preparations for the funeral.

They said that my mother's body was soon to arrive. I was so happy because I was not thinking that my mother had died. I thought that she was alive and coming home to us. I heard a man say that the van was a few blocks away. I ran outside and waited. The van was about two houses away from ours, when I started to realize that my mother was never going to be with me again. I started to cry and I wanted to see her for one last time but nobody would let me.

They said they needed to clean her first. I did not care. I wanted to see my mommy. Finally, my mother's best friend said, "Ok

*baby, do not be scared.*" I was happy that I was going to see her, but also scared. I saw my mother but it was not how I would have liked to see her. I will never forget what I saw. We were in so much pain. We had lost our dad and now our mother too. They say things happen for a reason, but I want to know why God took my parents away from me. Why me?

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**But my sister said that it would be for the best for us, so we ended up going to Colorado.**

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We went to go live with my uncle **Jose** and his family. Everything was great. I started to go to school. This helped me a lot. Even some of our uncles came from the United States, from the state of **Colorado**, to pay their respect for our loss. It was my dad's brother **Carmelo** and his family that came. They asked us if we wanted to go live with them. I said, "No, I wanted to stay here." But my sister said that it would be for the best for us, so we ended up going to **Colorado**.

Everything was going so great. We got new clothes and started going to school. I learned English pretty quickly. I felt like we belonged in this family. Years passed and everything seemed so great. We helped them mow lawns and other work that they did. As time passed on, things seemed to be going from good to bad. My sister decided to move to Texas. I did not know why she wanted to move, but she left. My brother started to get in trouble in school.

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**When they left I was crying and sad because we were going to be separated.**

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He joined a gang and got in even more trouble. My aunt **Bertha** and uncle **Carmelo** decided to send him back to **Mexico**. When they left I was crying and sad because we were going to be separated. He said that he loved me and to be careful. I did not want to live in that house any more, I wanted to be with my sister and brother.

School for me was great, it was the best of everything because that was my time to be happy and be around people that cared about me. I was doing well in school. I was an honor student, but **Bertha** and **Carmelo** didn't care. They cared more about their kids than me. I never told anybody about my problems because I knew that things would

get worse. I just acted like my life was great. I lied a lot to my friends and to the teachers because I did not want anybody to know. I did not want them to look at me differently. I wanted to be the same friend and student that everybody liked. I did not want school to change, because that was my escape from my house.

At that house my life was bad. On the weekdays I had to get up at five in the morning to get ready for school and walk to the bus stop. After school I had to come home quickly because the house had to be clean before **Bertha** came home. When I was done I would go to my room and do my homework. On weekends, I would get up at seven in the morning and clean the house again. Then I would stay in my room or go outside.

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One day when I was thirteen years old, **Carmelo** tried to assault me. I fought back and did not let it happen. I told him that if he ever tried to do that to me again, I was going to tell my teachers in school. I did not care about what was going to happen to me.

I was so scared and cried myself to sleep every night. I could not tell **Bertha** because I knew she would not believe me. I did not want him to touch me ever again. I hated him so much. I was scared to stay home alone with him. I finally told **Bertha** that **Carmelo** tried to assault me. She slapped me across the face and called me a f'ing liar. She said, "I do not want to see you at all or talk to us. When you come home from school, go to your room and stay there." I did exactly what she told me to do because I was scared that she would hit me.

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**In school my friends knew that something was bothering me, but I told them that I was fine,**

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In school my friends knew that something was bothering me, but I told them that I was fine, I was just tired. At that time I did not believe in God. I always asked myself, why is he not helping me? Has he forgotten about me? I cried so much every day. I wanted my mom and knew that if she were alive, we would have never suffered like this.

One day, I was called to the office because

there was a phone call for me. I was scared, I thought it was **Bertha** calling me because I did something wrong or was in trouble. Luckily, I was wrong. It was my aunt **Susana** that lives in **Texas**. She told me that she had been trying to call me, but that somebody blocked her calls so that no one from **Texas** could talk to me. I told her that I did not have time to talk because I had to go back to class. She gave me her phone number so that I could call her as soon as possible. I tried calling her but we did not have long distance calls.

School ended and summer break started. I called my friend **Monica** to see how she was doing. **Monica** told me that she had called me a lot of times but nobody answered or they told her I was not home. I decided to tell **Monica** what was happening to me and made her promise that she would not tell her parents. Even though she promised me, she told her mom. The only thing that she wanted to do was help me get away from those people.

**Monica's** mother called my aunt in **Texas** and told her that she was going to do whatever it took to get me out of that house. I was glad but scared about what would happen if they caught me. My aunt **Susana** got me a plane ticket so that I could leave as soon as possible.

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I finally arrived in **Texas**. My brother was waiting for me at the airport. We both were so happy to see each other. Everyone was so happy to see me. I had not seen the family I cared so much about me in a very long time. I was glad to be with my real family. I knew that I was going to like Texas.

My sister wanted me to stay in school so she enrolled me in **Lanier High School**. It was my first year. I was scared because I was new to the school and to **Texas**. I felt lost a lot of times but I started to make new friends. I liked the classes that I was taking. School was going great and for once I felt like I belong in this world.

I made so many friends. All I wanted was to forget about my past. One day I decided

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## EVALUACIÓN GRATUITA CONTRA EL CÁNCER DE SENO (MAMA)

Haga una cita hoy mismo  
llamando al (979) 297-3733.

Todas las mujeres en nuestra comunidad deben tener acceso a la evaluación contra el cáncer de seno (mama) y se ha establecido *The Mermaid Project* para satisfacer esta necesidad. Gracias a la generosidad de la organización *Susan G. Komen for the Cure Houston Affiliate* y otros donantes generosos, ahora se ofrecen servicios gratuitos de evaluación y diagnóstico para las mujeres sin seguro y de bajos recursos en toda nuestra comunidad local.\*

Además de las evaluaciones básicas contra el cáncer de seno (mama), *El Proyecto* también ofrece evaluaciones de diagnóstico según sea necesario. Si existe un área de preocupación o quizás un diagnóstico, la coordinadora de *The Mermaid Project* ayudará a una paciente a obtener servicios de atención médica. Nuestra función es ayudar durante el proceso completo.

### *Hechos sobre el cáncer de mama*

La probabilidad de que una mujer sufra cáncer invasivo de seno (mama) durante su vida es de aproximadamente 1 en 8.

El 80% de todos los cánceres de seno (mama) ocurren en mujeres sin factores de riesgo conocidos.

El cáncer de seno (mama) es el cáncer más común en las mujeres (después del cáncer de la piel) y también es la segunda causa más alta de muerte por cáncer en las mujeres (después del cáncer de pulmón).



\*Para poder participar en este programa, debe ser mayor de 40 años, ser remitida por un médico y vivir en uno de los siguientes códigos postales: 71422, 71430, 71463, 77480, 77486, 77511, 77541, 77542, 77515, 77531, 77534, 77566, 77577 ó 77583. Si no tiene un médico, *The Mermaid Project* puede ayudarlo contactando a uno en su nombre y programar una cita gratuita o de bajo costo.

# Proyecto Mermaid

## *Preguntas y Respuestas Sobre el Cáncer del Seno*

**¿Que es el Proyecto Mermaid?** El Proyecto Mermaid, es un programa al alcance de Brazosport Health Foundation que ofrece mamografía gratuita, cuidado diagnóstico y tratamiento de cáncer del seno a mujeres en el sur del Condado de Brazoria.

**¿Quién cualifica para estos servicios?** Para cualificar para estos servicios, la mujer debe de ser de bajos recursos económicos, sin seguro de salud y residente del sur del Condado de Brazoria. Un cuarto (1/4) de residentes del Condado de Brazoria están sin seguro de salud, y un quinto (1/5) de los habitantes tienen ingresos menos de \$25,000 anual. Hay más de 27,000 mujeres que cualifican para servicios con el Proyecto Mermaid.

**Me encuentro con un bulto en el pecho y no tengo seguro de salud. ¿Como puedo obtener ayuda?** Llame al Proyecto Mermaid al número 979-297-3733 y hable con la coordinadora de pacientes, Monica Razo. Ella es enfermera bilingüe y su papel es ayudar a cualificar mujeres en el proceso diagnóstico y tratamiento.

**¿Cuanto cuesta la Mammografía con el Proyecto Mermaid?** Para mujeres que cualifican, todos los costos están cubiertos por el Proyecto. No hay ningún costo para examen de clínica para el seno, trabajo diagnóstico o tratamiento.

**Mi médico escribió una receta para la mamografía, pero yo no puedo pagar.** No hay ningún cargo para mamograma que se hacen con el Proyecto Mermaid. Todo mamografía se hacen en el **Brazosport Regional System**.

**Yo no puedo ir con un médico y no tengo receta para una mamografía. ¿Puedo todavía que me hagan examen?** El Proyecto Mermaid le puede ser una cita con el médico para que usted reciba un examen del seno luego, si es necesario le toman la mamografía. Estas visitas serán pagadas por el Proyecto Mermaid.

**¿Que pasa si soy diagnosticada con cáncer del seno y no puedo pagar el costo del tratamiento?** Mujeres que cualifican por el **Proyecto Mermaid** reciben los servicios y el tratamiento gratuito.

**¿Si es de que necesito una operación o tratamiento, tendría que viajar a Houston o Galveston?** En muchos casos, su cáncer se puede tratar en **Brazosport Regional Cancer Center**. Si es de alguna circunstancia, Proyecto Mermaid colaborará con facilidades en Houston para su tratamiento, y continuará pagando por estos tratamientos.

**¿Cómo puede mi familia ayudarme con esta situación médica?** El Proyecto Mermaid patrocina grupos de apoyo mensuales de cáncer del seno. Estas juntas se llevan a cabo más de las 10:00a.m.-11:00 a.m. en el cuarto piso de Brazosport Regional Health System en la habitación Multipurpose Room. No hay costo para que venga a apoyar este grupo. Y no es necesario que usted este recibiendo tratamiento de cáncer en **Brazosport Regional Cancer Center** Usted es bienvenido para asistir a este grupo.

**¿Deberás necesito un mamograma? Mi mamá y mi abuela nunca tuvieron uno y están bien.** El 80% de cáncer en el seno ocurre en mujeres sin factores de riesgo. Cáncer de seno es más común encontrado en mujeres después de cáncer en la piel. Es el Segundo causa de cáncer en mujeres. Es recomendado para mujeres que obtengan una mamografía ya cuando llegan a los 40 años. Cáncer del seno se puede tratar con más si se encuentra más temprano.

**¿Como puedo probar mi residencia en el Condado de Brazoria?** Cuando se registre para su mamografía, en **Brazosport Regional Health System**, le requieren que muestre su licencia de manejar o una tarjeta de identificación. Usted debe de vivir en estos códigos postales: 77422, 77430, 77480, 77486, 77511, 77541, 77542, 77515, 77534, 77566, 77577 y 77583.

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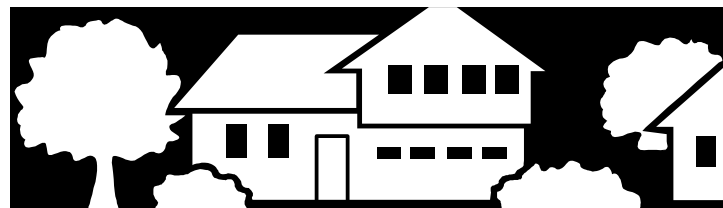
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## Brenda's Story From Page 11

to skip class with some friends which I do not do very often. Skipping was really boring but I met this boy named **Javier**. He made me laugh and feel happy. He asked me out that same day. I said no because I did not know anything about him. I wanted to still talk to him so I gave him my phone number. We talked almost every day on the phone. We asked each other questions that we did not know about each other. We got to know each other very well. We became good friends. A couple of weeks passed and we decided to go out together.

**In May of freshman year I got pregnant. I was scared and happy at the same time. I was scared because my sister was going to be so mad.**

In May of freshman year I got pregnant. I was scared and happy at the same time. I was scared because my sister was going to be so mad. I was happy because I had the support from my boyfriend, **Javier**. We told **Javier's** parents. They were mad but they decided to help us. I finally told my sister. She was so angry with me. She said that I could have done a lot with my life to accomplish my dreams and goals. I told her that I still could and now I have a bigger reason to do everything I can.

I moved in with **Javier** and his family. His parents accepted me with their home and love. After summer was over, we went back to school. I started my sophomore year pregnant.

Everyone in school was surprised to see me, but they were happy that **Javier** was still with me. I had my baby in my sophomore year. School is hard and even more so when you have a baby but I did my best to keep my grades up and not to be absent. I did great in my junior year too. Having the help from **Javier** and my family is great because I did not have too much weight on my shoulders.

At present, I am a senior at **Lanier High School**. My baby, **Crystal**, is two years old. I am still living with my boyfriend and having the support of my family. I plan to graduate and go to college. I want to give my baby a great future. I want her to have everything she needs and sometimes wants. I have been through a lot in my life, but that has not kept me from what I want to achieve in life. I also want to learn how to forgive the people that have hurt me the most. I do not know how to forgive the people that assault their own family members.

I would love to go to college and become a social worker. I want to help kids or teens that have been through what I have. I want to be that person that can tell them, "You do not have to be scared. There are so many people that are willing to help you to be safe." I want to change so many lives that have been hurt." I want to be successful in my life and prove to everybody that I did it. I graduated and am going to college. I am a mother that did not give up and wants the best for her family.

**Brenda is a Senior at Lanier High School in Austin, Texas.**

## Word Power

### En Palabras Hay Poder

No one can ever argue in the name of education, that it is better to know less than it is to know more. Being bilingual or trilingual or multilingual is about being educated in the 21st century. We look forward to bringing our readers various word lists in each issue of **La Voz de Brazoria County**.

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Vamonos	Let's go
Quedate	Stay
Por Favor	Please
Candidato	Candidate
Luz	Light
Lapiz	Pencil
Oreja	Ear
Llave	Key
Papel	Paper
Llorar	Cry
Sonrisa	Smile
Caja	Box
Lento	Slow
Puerta	Door
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Diente	Tooth



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Esta solicitud se le presentó a TCEQ el 8 de Enero de 2008. La solicitud está disponible en la oficina central de TCEQ, para revisarla y sacarle copia, en la oficina regional de TCEQ en Houston, y en la biblioteca de la Ciudad de Freeport, Bulevar del Sur de 410 Brazosport, Condado de Brazoria, Tejas. El expediente de cumplimiento de la planta, si existe alguno, esta disponible para su revisión en la oficina regional de TCEQ en Houston.

El director ejecutivo de TCEQ ha determinado que la solicitud está administrativamente completa y llevará a cabo una revisión técnica de la solicitud.

#### COMENTARIOS PÚBLICOS / REUNIÓN PÚBLICA

Usted puede presentar comentarios públicos, una petición para reunión pública, o solicitar una audiencia de caso impugnado a la Oficina del Funcionario Jefe al domicilio a continuación. TCEQ tomará en

cuenta todos los comentarios públicos en la decisión final de la solicitud. **La fecha límite para presentar comentarios públicos es 30 días después de que se publique el aviso en el periódico.**

El propósito de la reunión pública es proporcionar la oportunidad de hacer comentarios o preguntas acerca de la solicitud. Si el director ejecutivo determina que existe un importante grado de interés público con respecto a la solicitud o si lo solicita un legislador local, se llevará a cabo una reunión pública. Una reunión pública no es una audiencia de caso impugnado

Si solamente se reciben comentarios con respecto a la solicitud, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con el aviso de la acción del director ejecutivo con respecto a la solicitud será enviada por correo a cualquier persona que presente comentarios o si se encuentra en la lista de correos para esta solicitud.

Si se presenta oportunamente una petición para audiencia, el director ejecutivo terminará la revisión técnica, expedirá una decisión preliminar con respecto a la solicitud, y se publicará y enviará por correo un Aviso de la Solicitud y Decisión Preliminar a aquellas personas que se encuentren en la lista de correos para esta solicitud. El aviso incluirá el plazo final para presentar comentarios públicos.

Después del plazo final para comentarios públicos y después de cualquier Aviso de Solicitud y Decisión Preliminar que se requiera, el director ejecutivo tomará en cuenta los comentarios y preparará una respuesta para todos los comentarios

**públicos pertinentes y materiales, o significativos. Si se recibe algún comentario, la respuesta a los comentarios, junto con la decisión del director ejecutivo con respecto a la solicitud se enviará por correo a cualquier persona que haya presentado un comentario público o que se encuentre en la lista de correos de esta solicitud.**

#### OPORTUNIDAD PARA UNA AUDIENCIA DE CASO IMPUGNADO

Usted puede solicitar una audiencia de caso impugnado. Una audiencia de caso impugnado es un procedimiento legal similar a un juicio civil en un tribunal de distrito del estado. A menos que se presente una solicitud para una audiencia de caso impugnado dentro de 30 días de esta notificación, el director ejecutivo puede autorizar la solicitud. **Si no se recibe una solicitud para audiencia dentro del período de 30 días, no se dará otra oportunidad para audiencia.** Una audiencia de caso impugnado solo se concederá con base a cuestiones debatibles de hechos que son pertinentes y materiales para las decisiones de la Comisión con respecto a la solicitud. Además, la Comisión solo concederá una audiencia sobre cuestiones que se presenten durante el período de comentarios públicos y no se retiran.

**Una persona que puede estar afectada por contaminantes de emisiones atmosféricas de una planta tiene derecho a solicitar una audiencia. Si se solicita una audiencia de caso impugnado, debe presentar lo siguiente:**

- (1) su nombre (o para un grupo o asociación, un representante oficial), dirección, número de teléfono y número de facsimile si lo tiene;
- (2) el nombre del solicitante y número de

permiso; (3) la declaración “[yo / nosotros] solicito una audiencia de un caso impugnado”; (4) una descripción específica de como se vería adversamente afectado por la solicitud y emisiones atmosféricas de la planta de manera que no es común para el publico en general; (5) la ubicación y distancia de su propiedad con relación a la planta; y (6) una Descripción de como emplea la propiedad la cual puede ser impactada por la planta. Si la petición la hace un grupo o asociación, el miembro o miembros que tienen derecho a solicitar una audiencia y los intereses que el grupo o la asociación busca proteger, también se deben identificar. Las peticiones para una audiencia de caso impugnado se debe presentar por escrito dentro de 30 días después de este aviso a la Oficina del Funcionario Jefe, a la dirección a continuación.

Si se registra oportunamente una petición para audiencia, se dará aviso adicional. Después del cierre de todos los comentarios que aplican y los períodos de petición, el director ejecutivo enviará la solicitud y cualquier petición para una audiencia de caso impugnado a los comisionados de TCEQ para su consideración durante la reunión programada de la Comisión. Si se concede una audiencia, el tema de la audiencia estará limitado a casos debatibles de hecho relacionados a intereses pertinentes y materiales de calidad ATMOSFÉRICA que se hayan presentado durante el período de comentarios. Cuestiones tales como valor de la propiedad, ruido, seguridad de tráfico y zonificación no están dentro de la jurisdicción de la Comisión

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