



# WOLA WEEKLY

The Latest on Latin America

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Dear {{FirstName or 'WOLA Supporter'}},

It is a great pleasure to introduce our brand-new WOLA Weekly newsletter.

Every Friday, we will bring you the most relevant human rights news and trends from across Latin America, plus the people shaping them and tips on how you can get involved in making a difference. We will bring you details on past and future events and some deep dives that will bring essential context to the many complex dynamics at play across the region. All with analysis from WOLA's top experts.

The Americas are facing many challenges. While civil society continues to strengthen in some corners in Latin America, new forms of authoritarianism are emerging and taking hold in others. This is why the work of organizations like WOLA and our many partners are essential today more than ever.

We hope you find this insightful and, if you do, please help us spread the word by [recommending us!](#)

Muchas gracias,



**Carolina Jiménez Sandoval, President**



## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- This week on the border, read about how [The Tragedy in Texas Was Avoidable, Just Like Hundreds of Other Migrant Deaths on U.S. Soil This Year.](#)
- 🇨🇴 Read about [Colombia's Truth Commission Final Report: Meeting the Victims.](#)
- Read up on Carolina's newest commentary [“One of the Main Victims of the ‘Authoritarian Virus’ is Judicial Independence”.](#)
- 🇨🇺 Read the latest commentary [Remittance Caps and Restrictions Have Been Lifted: What Does this Mean for Cuba?](#)
- Watch this week's [Analysis of the Trend to Legalize the Non-medical Use of Drugs With an Emphasis on Cannabis.](#)
- 🇻🇪 Read the latest on [Venezuela Negotiations Should Create Space for Civil Society.](#)

- Read this weeks news, [WOLA Congratulates Dr. Jo-Marie Burt on New Appointment as LASA President Elect.](#)

## IN CASE YOU MISSED IT



WOLA's Director for Mexico and Migrant Rights, [Stephanie Brewer](#), participated in the [U.S. Congressional Hearing on Human Rights in Mexico Brings Calls and Proposals to Address Impunity, Increase Protection and Access to Justice.](#)

## LEARN MORE

### Struggling to Survive: the Situation of Asylum Seekers in Tapachula, Mexico

By: [Stephanie Brewer](#), [Leidy Tejeda](#), and [Maureen Meyer](#)  
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The new WOLA report, *Struggling to Survive: the Situation of Asylum Seekers in Tapachula, Mexico*, follows the route of asylum seekers arriving in Tapachula. **The report highlights abuses, arbitrary treatment, and steep obstacles faced by asylum seekers at each step of their process.**

[Read the Report](#)

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## WOLA IN THE NEWS

*"Gimena Sanchez-Garzoli at the Washington Office on Latin America describes a dangerous combination of institutions battered by Covid and the Duque administration and a population unwilling to patiently wait for change."*

– [The Washington Post](#), ["For Colombia's New Leader, Winning Was the Easy Part"](#)



**Gimena Sánchez-Garzoli**,  
Director for the Andes



*"It's a long way to go to get back to 2002," said Adam Isacson, director for defense oversight at the Washington Office on Latin America, referring to the casualty counts during one of the worst years of the war. 'But we're on that path right now.'"*

**Adam Isacson**  
Director for Defense Oversight

– *The New York Times*, “Colombia Panel’s Report  
Is a Step Toward Mending a Civil War’s Scars”



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## JOB OPENINGS

WOLA seeks a **Grant Coordinator** to join our fast-paced and dynamic development team. This creative team works to increase and expand the philanthropic partnerships that make WOLA’s human rights advocacy possible. Learn more [here](#).

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## Support the Sally Yudelman Internship Program

At WOLA, Internships are critical to arming future generations of advocates with the necessary skills to champion human rights and social justice work in their careers. Please consider contributing to WOLA’s internship program today!



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