Marixela Ramos of Radio Victoria participated in an international exchange in the Basque Country with women migrants and feminist collectives talking about Community Communication, Migrations & Human Rights. “I am Marixela Ramos, a woman born in a refugee camp as a consequence of a 12 year civil war which my country, El Salvador, suffered. The first 5 years of my life was in a refuge called Mesa Grande. I never understood, at my young age, why we had to live in a limited space. I just heard the adults say: Don’t go past the limit! It was because the Honduran army could kill anyone who went passed this imposed barrier. Many adults in my community called it: a jail without walls. That is what it meant to live in a refugee camp at that time. I loved to see the pines and listen to their branches that seemed to sing with the wind, it was a land with many pines and a cool climate that I also enjoyed. That is where my rebelliousness against injustice comes from, that is where my strength to resist multiple oppressive systems was born, that is where my path initiated without being conscious of it but my body and my memory recorded it well. Today I recognize myself as a woman defender, fighter, community communicator, feminist and in the process of continuing to learn because there are processes that never end, that are for your whole life and which we are constructing with each story and each struggle.”
Marixela Ramos also participated in the International Conference of Community and Independent Media in Valencia, Spain.

Radio Victoria members together with other young community radio members of ARPAS visited and learned about the Museum of the Word and the Image, MUPI.

This September 3rd Latin American literature remembers the Uruguayan writer Eduardo Galeano, writer of the emblematic book “Open Veins of Latin America”.

The writer and journalist was born on September 3rd, 1940 in Montevideo, Uruguay. At a very young age he began working as a journalist and held many positions as editor, chief of editing and director in different means of communication.

“They came. They had the Bible and we had the land. And they told us: “Close your eyes and pray”. And when we opened our eyes, they had the land and we had the Bible.”

Eduardo Galeano
Writer
Radio Victoria’s news coordinator Roxana Lainez participated in the VII Conference of ACAFREMIN (The Central American Alliance Facing Mining) titled “Territorial Defense & Environmental Justice in Central America” in Tocoa, Colon, Honduras where for a few days representatives from various countries exchanged experiences of territorial defense in Central America.

Thanks to the “Radio Victoria Walks to the Communities” project, we have shared time and gotten to know first hand the Santa Lucia community’s needs and organization. There is a great need for recreation spaces for children and adolescents, the only ones that exist are private. The community is also fighting to protect their water which is threatened by a project to build a cemetery.

The children had fun playing games and breaking piñatas with Radio members and during these times of pandemic community members consider these activities to be very important.
Radio Victoria members participated in a virtual course on Community Media Sustainability.

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La Asociación de Radiodifusión Participativa de El Salvador lamenta profundamente el sensible fallecimiento de Raúl Durán Calderón, fundador de ARPAS y ex presidente del Consejo Directivo de ACTISAM. A su lado luchó por el espacio de la radio comunitaria en El Salvador.

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