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Updates from the Whistleblower Protection Coordinator

2024 GOALS

One of the main goals of the Whistleblower Protection Coordinator is to educate DHS employees and contractors about their whistleblower rights and protections as well as to spread awareness about the Whistleblower Protection Coordinator's ability to serve as a resource to all staff through mechanisms such as the [Whistleblower Protection Coordinator](#) inbox or trainings.

In 2024, the Whistleblower Protection Coordinator aims to expand the outreach program to reach additional agency employees within the Department.

Greetings! In 2023, the Whistleblower Protection Coordinator continued the robust training program for DHS employees and contractors.

Training and Outreach in 2023

In 2023, the Whistleblower Protection Coordinator conducted trainings on whistleblower rights and protections to:

- Immigration and Customs Enforcement
- Transportation Security Administration
- U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services offices
- DHS Acquisition Workforce
- DHS Office of Inspector General
- Federal Law Enforcement Training Center
- New Employee Orientation attendees
- And more!

The Whistleblower Protection Coordinator offers many training options ranging from distributing handouts on whistleblower rights and protections, a brief "hello" during a staff meeting, or 15-to-45-minute training sessions. Please encourage your colleagues to contact the [Whistleblower Protection Coordinator](#) if they are interested in training!

Alternative Dispute Resolution Pilot Program for Whistleblower Retaliation Complaints

Over a year ago, DHS OIG created an alternative dispute resolution (ADR) program for whistleblower retaliation complaints. The program provides complainants with an alternative to the formal investigative process using mediation or facilitated settlement negotiations. Additional information about the program is available at <https://www.oig.dhs.gov/alternative-dispute-resolution>.

The Whistleblower Protection Coordinator is available at whistleblowerprotectioncoordinator@oig.dhs.gov. More information about whistleblower rights and protections can be found at <https://www.oig.dhs.gov/whistleblower-protection>.