

Presentation

Under the slogan of “Chile Woke Up,” over the past few weeks a large sector of the Chilean population has held a leading role in numerous mass protests and the social movement. In a variety of ways and all across Chile, protesters have voiced their demands to the institutions for greater and better social security coverage and more humane treatment of the country’s citizens, especially those groups that have historically been marginalized. These demands are not only sustained upon people’s increasingly precarious living conditions, as a result of a radical form of neoliberalism, but also on the imperious need to construct a new social pact that is more inclusive, just and democratic. Therefore, the citizens are now playing a key role in the face of an unprecedented process to change the country’s constitution. Within this context, we acknowledge that our publication has a tremendous opportunity to contribute to the reflection on social phenomena and accompany social intervention experiences, particularly during times of change.

Therefore, we further acknowledge the work developed by the authors who have entrusted us with their articles. Likewise, we want to thank the team of evaluators who, as always, generously shared their observations and suggestions to ensure the quality of the articles in the current edition of the journal *Perspectivas*. In fact, each of the articles presented herein reflect an in-depth analysis of a set of social situations and players that, in times like these, have become even more relevant to the academic and national debate.

Research Results

At the beginning of this section, the work by Valentina Hernández resumes a topic of unquestionable ethical and political relevance for our society: the perception of justice and the experience of reparations to human rights violation victims during our country’s dictatorship. Without a doubt, one of the most important aspects of this article is its contribution to a broader understanding of re-

parations in terms of human rights, which goes beyond the dimensions of improving the wellbeing of the victims, incorporating the pressing need to bring the culprits to trial in order to reduce the sense of impunity.

The following article by Samuel Erices and Sebastián Maldonado delves into a phenomenon of profound complexity: the migrant trans population and prostitution within the context of sex trafficking. This well-known invisibilization by a large part of society towards those people is combined with the precarious non-existence of regulations that could guarantee the latter's rights. In this scenario, the study's findings contribute to the design of social interventions that prioritize the value of the person and question the hegemony of patriarchal power in institutions and society.

Analysis and Reflections on Social Intervention

Starting this section, Carla Fierro and others analyze a notorious phenomenon on the public agenda during the last few years, piquing the interest of both academia and public opinion. This analysis addresses the complex relationship between immigrant settlement and the representation of inequality in territorial spaces. This article contributes to a better understanding of this emerging social issue, and how public policies and other social players relate to these new manifestations of inequality.

Next, the article by Felipe Paredes and Alexis Bustos proposes a necessary reflection on a topic that is particularly sensitive and must be considered, both in its analytical complexity and its ethical and humane dimension. The overexposure of youth who have suffered child sexual abuse could imply that social intervention, in this context, does not necessarily contribute to overcoming traumatic experiences. The authors present the possibility of offering narrative therapy to accompany those who have fallen victim to sexual violence.

To close out this section, the work by Joselyn Riffo proposes an analysis of the problematic consumption of drugs by impoveris-

hed youth. In this article, the author offers a perspective that goes beyond the issue of the subject to observe the factors that may have an impact on abusive practices at an early age. The author offers the Convention on Child Rights to support the need for a greater specialized offer to protect comprehensive child development.

Social Work Analysis: transformations and challenges

At the beginning of this section, the article by Diego Reyes proposes a reflection on a topic of growing interest in the professional community, that is, the development of Clinical Social Work in Chile. Through an archaeological and genealogical analysis, the author explores the historical vestiges of this specialization, which must now be clarified given the transformations experienced by professional identity, in a context of transformation of the current intervention scenarios.

Review

At the end of this edition, Francisca Márquez reviews the book *Ayudar a los pobres. Etnografía del Estado Social y las Prácticas de Asistencia*, by Author Carolina Rojas.