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### Summary of Activities and Next Steps Interpreters Division

(Last report submitted on October 2015)

#### Website and blog

The ID Leadership has continued to work on the Evoice blog, averaging an article every two weeks and posting information about new jobs and a variety of topics on a regular basis. We currently have 146 subscribers and have had up to 917 visitors in one month as shown in the graphic below. We hope to increase these numbers by keeping the members engaged and informed.



## **56<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference**

During the 2015 annual conference we had two distinguished speaker that informed members about the regulatory environment of the Language Access Services, the talk was well attended. The annual meeting was attended by at least 200 people a significant increase from the previous two years. This denotes an increased interest in the division by members and non members of the Division. We organized a small but fun networking event at a local restaurant.

## **ID Scope and Collaboration with Other Groups**

During the annual meeting the Interpreters Division was informed that external advocacy efforts will be now channeled through the Interpreting Policy Advisory Committee (IPAC) chaired by Melinda Gonzalez-Hibner. The ID will continue to focus in their primary responsibilities of connecting the membership and headquarters with available resources such as the website, the blog and the social media. Going forward the IPAC and the ID will collaborate as follows: the members of the ID/LC that were pursuing advocacy initiatives through the ID will participate as members of the IPAC and all the advocacy efforts pursued by this committee will be communicated to the membership through the ID website as appropriate.