

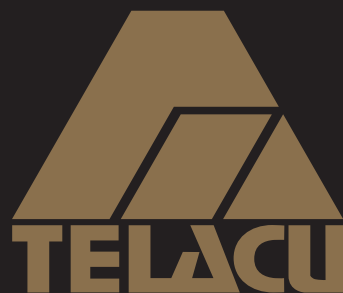
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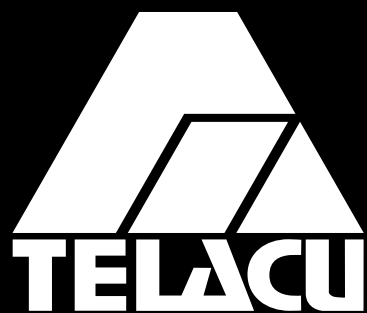
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ABOUT TELACU

TELACU was established in 1968 as a pioneering institution committed to service, empowerment, advancement, and the creation of self-sufficiency. For the past 50 years, TELACU has worked with partners like you who are equally committed to equipping others with tools they need to build their own American Dream.

It was the late Senator Bobby Kennedy's vision that the creation of Community Development Corporations would empower people in underserved communities to access these vital tools: a job that pays a living wage; a new home that is safe and affordable; a loan to finance the dream of owning a small business; a new school in which a child can aspire to greatness; a scholarship to fund a higher education. These are some of the tools all people need to build a life at the highest level.

The TELACU model for community development produces these tools. Each and every business TELACU owns and operates supports a double bottom line—profitability that is inseparable from positive, tangible social impact. Significant financial investments are made to spur economic activity and job creation in distressed communities. New community assets in the form of industrial parks, schools, infrastructure, shopping centers, and municipal facilities are built, creating well-paying jobs for local residents. Quality, affordable homes are developed for first-time homeowners. Beautiful residential complexes are constructed and operated to provide safe environments for families and senior citizens. Responsive financial institutions are managed to

create access to capital for small business owners and hardworking families. Coupled with your partnership, support and belief in TELACU, our organization has grown to become the largest Community Development Corporation in America.

At the forefront of TELACU's community development mission is the TELACU Education Foundation, established 35 years ago to empower Latino young people and veterans with the most vital tool of all—an education.

In partnership with friends of TELACU—donors, corporate sponsors, and our network of colleges and universities—the Foundation provides scholarships to hundreds of college students each year. Virtually all of these TELACU Scholars, most of whom are first-generation young people from low-income families, earn their college degree. The Foundation also annually serves an additional 1,600 high school students, nursing school students and veterans, ensuring through our highly effective educational programs that these individuals stay in school, graduate and go on to fulfill their purpose in life.

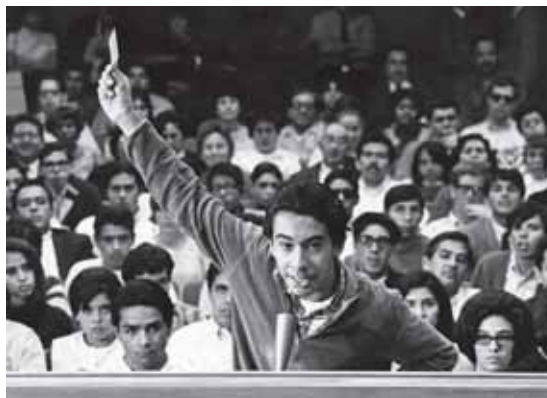
Because of your generosity, TELACU Scholar Alumni can be found in places of influence throughout the world around you. As we stand at the frontier of our next half-century, the women and men of TELACU stand unshakably committed to empower the next leaders of our communities—communities we build with partners like you.

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We are honored beyond measure to welcome you to TELACU's 50th Anniversary Celebration, the 35th Annual *Building the Dream* Gala, presented by TOYOTA!

Perhaps like no other year in history, the events of 1968 represent both the supreme accomplishments and the basest expressions of America. We waged unmerciful wars, both on foreign nations as well as brother against brother. While some of our citizens fought in distant lands, others fought here, many searching for solutions to change the direction of our nation: to protest against violence, to end racial inequality, and to demand opportunity for all Americans.

In the midst of this turbulence, two of our greatest ambassadors for the good of humanity—the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Senator Robert F. Kennedy—were brutally taken from our presence. And yet it was also the year that the world witnessed, spellbound on Christmas Eve, as the first people from Earth orbited the moon, sending blessings to humankind from a ship in space where the entirety of our fragile world was visible. It was in this context that on May 28, 1968, TELACU, The East Los Angeles Community Union, was formed.

DR. DAVID C. LIZÁRRAGA
FOUNDER AND CHAIRMAN
TELACU Education Foundation

It is the promise of the women and men of TELACU that the establishment of our mission, the work of our minds and hands, and the commitment to which we remain standing will always be worthy of the dreams of all Americans who struggled to find a better way for our nation in that year of great turmoil.

For TELACU, three elements of tonight's 50th Anniversary Celebration provide the greatest testament of that commitment. Our TELACU Scholars represent all that is good in our community; they hold the very future of our world in their hands. Our 2018 "CREO" Award Recipient, California Attorney General Xavier Becerra, embodies the proud achievements of the highest order to which all immigrants in this great country aspire.

But most of all, it is YOU, our faithful partners, sponsors and fellow believers in the American Dream, who 50 years onward continue to inspire TELACU to remain a pioneering institution committed to service, empowerment, advancement and the creation of self-sufficiency.

With eternal gratitude,

DR. MICHAEL LIZÁRRAGA
PRESIDENT AND CEO
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ABOUT THE FOUNDATION



Every year, the Foundation serves 2,000 first-generation high school, college and graduate school students, as well as military veterans, from underserved communities.

For the past 35 years we have been transforming academic and professional outcomes for Latino youth—our nation's largest and fastest-growing demographic—by continually innovating solutions that empower them to succeed!

Our *Continuum of Education*, a dynamic model created by the Foundation and comprised of the College Readiness and College Success Programs, helps close the educational and professional gaps faced by low-income, first-generation students. Through a unique combination of highly effective programming, financial resources and a comprehensive support network, our students are equipped to graduate from high school, earn their college degree and enter the job market as well-prepared, competitive candidates.

Recognizing that a college degree is no longer a guarantee of success and, as the minimum requirements and qualifications sought by employers continue to rise, our programming is constantly evolving.

Our STEM & Business and Workforce Preparation Initiatives are designed to meet the specific needs of our Scholars. Beginning in high school, students are exposed to careers in high-demand and well-paying STEM-related and Business fields, previously believed to be unattainable for first-generation students. Since most Scholars are also the first professional in their family, we provide the training and personal coaching that enables them to develop the soft skills and confidence to succeed; and as work experience gains increasing importance in today's job market, we connect them to critical internship and employment opportunities provided by Foundation Partners and other major corporations.

Historically, more than 75% of TELACU Scholars earn degrees in STEM and Business fields. TELACU Scholar Alumni are excelling as leaders and increasing representation in these fields as well as in Academia, Law, Advocacy & Entertainment.

At TELACU, we believe that the truest measure of success is not the number of students who enroll in college, but rather the number of young professionals who graduate. They will carry on our mission of advancing the socio-economic status of underserved communities as the self-sufficient, well-educated role models who will inspire and invest in the next generation of Latino leaders.

Since 1983, TELACU Scholars have built a stellar legacy. Historically, approximately 98% of our high school students graduate and almost without exception pursue higher education; more than 99% of our college Scholars earn at minimum a Bachelor's degree, with an increasing number going on to seek advanced degrees.

HIGH SCHOOL

Students on the path to becoming the first in their family to attend college need ongoing academic and personal support to ensure they are taking the right courses to graduate from high school and are equipped to succeed in college. Campus tours and even immersive summer residency programs at local universities help strengthen their resolve, while the intense support they receive navigating the complex application process poises them to confidently take that next big leap into college life.

COLLEGE

At this stage on their journey, financial resources often make the critical difference between a student earning their degree or having to drop out. But financial resources alone, as important as they are, are insufficient to ensure that students are able to make the difficult transition from high school to college and ultimately to graduate. The Foundation provides students with the comprehensive support system, mentoring and services—from leadership and professional development to academic advisement and career preparation—that empower them to earn their degrees and gain the skills and experience necessary to fulfill their purpose.

POST-GRAD

In today's increasingly competitive and technical global workforce, the need for advanced degrees continues to rise. With few sources of financial assistance available for grad school, students from underserved communities are left at a distinct disadvantage. In partnership

with TOYOTA and Purdue's Krannert School of Management, the Foundation mitigates this disparity by offering scholarships and a full complement of resources that empower Graduate Fellows to earn Master's, JDs, MDs and even PhDs from some of the most prestigious universities in the nation.

HEALTH CAREERS

For students interested in the nursing profession, the Foundation created a specialized track that provides financial resources to cover tuition and living expenses as well as a full complement of personal and academic services. This includes training that equips them to deliver culturally sensitive patient care in the language understood by our local underserved Latino community—Spanish. Participants graduate with an offer of employment from a partnering hospital, and many rejoin our *Continuum of Education* to attain the advanced degrees that poise them to achieve positions of leadership and influence.

VETERANS PROGRAM

The Foundation empowers the brave men and women who have sacrificially served our nation in the military. To help them more effectively transition into college, veterans receive personalized support and comprehensive services, including advisement and guidance on GI Bill benefits and the complex college admissions and application processes. Veterans are provided with access to free college preparatory courses taught by experienced instructors and Rosetta Stone courses—learning everything from language and math to typing and computer science.

CONTINUUM OF EDUCATION

HIGH SCHOOL



ANGEL PRADO, JD
Cornell University
BA, Economics
Reed College

Associate
Crowell & Moring LLP

“I remember being in middle school and not knowing how to do long division. TELACU instilled in me the confidence that I could, and should, compete for a spot at highly selective schools.”

COLLEGE

DIANA VALENZUELA, BS
*Industrial Systems
Engineering*
University of Southern
California

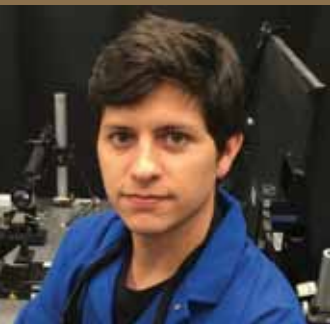
Technical Specialist
Edison



“I am the first Edison Scholar who will begin her professional career at Edison!”

One of only a handful of females in the field of industrial engineering, Diana is dedicated to mentoring female students in STEM-related fields—a mission she has already begun as the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers' Director of Community Outreach and through her involvement with the USC Latino Alumni Association. She excelled in her studies, earning a spot on the prestigious Viterbi School of Engineering Dean's List as well as the USC Latino Alumni Association's highest honor, the Dr. John R. Hubbard Recognition Award. In addition to balancing her on-campus activities, studies and volunteerism at the Keck School of Medicine, she interned at Southern California Edison which led to an offer of full-time employment upon graduation!

POST-GRAD



BRIAN RAMIREZ, PhD
Mechanical Engineering
 UC Los Angeles
MS, Mechanical Engineering;
Emphasis in Solid and
Structural Mechanics
 UC Los Angeles
BS, Mechanical Engineering
 Cal Poly Pomona

“I live really close to TELACU and walked by the building all the time. One day, I looked it up and applied to the College Success Program as an undergrad—now I have a PhD!”

Brian is, at his core, a purveyor of knowledge. In just four short years, he has transformed from a TELACU Scholar completing his Bachelor's to a David C. Lizárraga Fellow, *Sponsored by TOYOTA*, earning the highest degree in his field!

Passionate about academia, he was drawn to a career as a college professor. A two-time McNair Scholar, CSU LSAMP Scholar and one of the only Latino PhD students in his highly competitive Mechanical Engineering Program at UCLA, he has mentored students through the Mechanical Engineering Honor Society (Pi Tau Sigma), Upper Bound, the Center of Excellence in Engineering and Diversity, and the High School Summer Research Program. A proud role model and advocate for future Latino engineers, he has also been recognized as a California Alliance for Graduate Education and Professoriate Scholar, participated in the Southern California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education and, most recently, was inducted into UCLA's prestigious Edward A. Bouchet Graduate Honor Society.

Co-author of several papers in the field of mechanics and materials, he has presented at several conferences—receiving SHPE's 2016 Best Graduate Presentation Award—and also earned a travel fellowship that enabled him to attend the Society of Experimental Mechanics International Congress. He has collaborated with Caltech and JPL as a member of the California Alliance Mentor Program, experimenting with dampening foam structures that have applications in athletic and combat protective gear. His innovative research has enabled him to co-author a pending patent, and even earned him a National Science Foundation (NSF) grant for commercialization of research that he co-authored with his faculty advisor. Together, they are learning how to build a startup company to capitalize on their innovation.

In addition to this entrepreneurial enterprise, the federal research facility responsible for the safety, security and reliability of our nation's nuclear weapons—the prestigious Lawrence Livermore National Lab—offered Brian a position after graduation. Ever the diligent student, he turned down that amazing opportunity to accept another one: a postdoctoral research position at Cal Tech, where he was selected to receive a 2-year NSF fellowship for his research proposal on “Hierarchical Elastic Metamaterials for Impact Attenuation.”

HEALTH CAREERS PROGRAM



WESLEY WILLARD, BS, RN
 East Los Angeles College
BS, Chemistry and Life Science
 West Point Academy

Registered Nurse
 Adventist Health White Memorial

“After West Point armed me with two Bachelor's degrees—Chemistry and Life Science—I was deployed with Operation Iraqi Freedom.

During combat, I realized that the weapons I really needed and wanted were the skills to heal the broken and the hurting. When I came home, the Health Careers Program provided the education and training that equipped me to fulfill my true calling in life—nursing!”

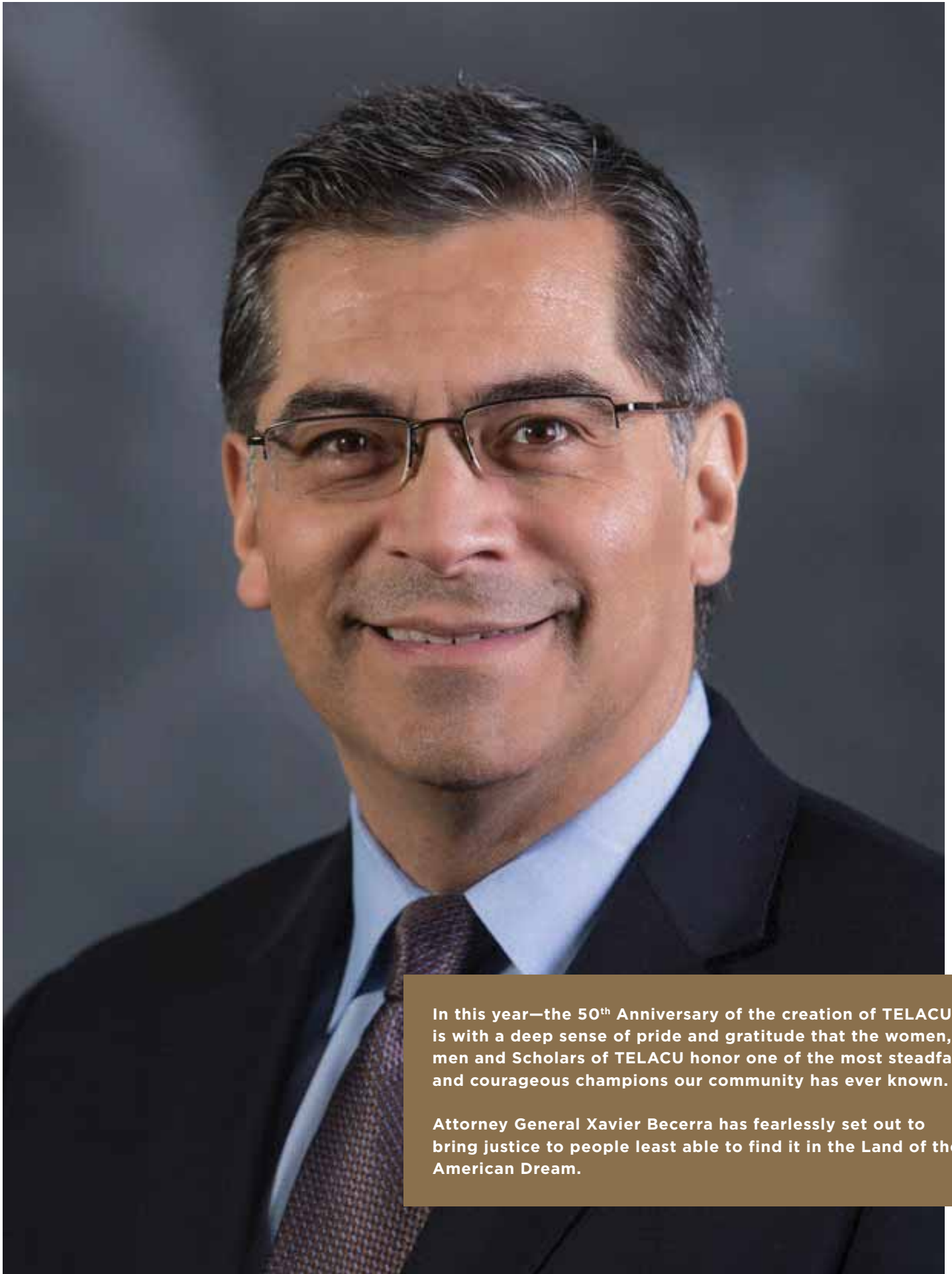
VETERANS PROGRAM



GUADALUPE TEERAN, BS
Public Health
 CSU Los Angeles

“As a single mom, I knew that I needed a college degree to support my two sons, but I wasn't sure how to earn one.

The Veterans Upward Bound Program not only helped me figure out what I wanted to do with the rest of my life, but also how to do it. I am so proud to have become a role model of academic excellence for my kids—my new goal is to earn my Master's!”



In this year—the 50th Anniversary of the creation of TELACU—it is with a deep sense of pride and gratitude that the women, men and Scholars of TELACU honor one of the most steadfast and courageous champions our community has ever known.

Attorney General Xavier Becerra has fearlessly set out to bring justice to people least able to find it in the Land of the American Dream.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

TELACU “CREO” AWARD RECIPIENT

THE HONORABLE XAVIER BECERRA

Attorney General, State of California

On January 24, 2017, Xavier Becerra was sworn in as the 33rd Attorney General of the State of California, and is the first Latino to hold the office in the history of the state.

The State’s chief law enforcement officer, Attorney General Becerra has decades of experience serving the people of California through appointed and elected office, where he has fought for working families, the vitality of the Social Security and Medicare programs and issues to combat poverty among the working poor. He has also championed the state’s economy by promoting and addressing issues impacting job generating industries such as health care, clean energy, technology, and entertainment.

Attorney General Becerra previously served 12 terms in Congress as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives. While in Congress, Attorney General Becerra was the first Latino to serve as a member of the powerful Committee on Ways and Means, served as Chairman of the House Democratic Caucus, and was Ranking Member of the Ways and Means Subcommittee on Social Security.

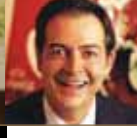
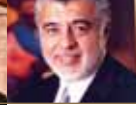
Prior to serving in Congress, Attorney General Becerra served one term in the California Legislature as the representative of the 59th Assembly District in Los Angeles County. He is a former Deputy Attorney General with the California Department of Justice. The Attorney General began his legal career in 1984 working in a legal services office representing the mentally ill.

Born in Sacramento, California, Attorney General Becerra is the son of working-class parents and was the first in his family to receive a four-year degree, earning his Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Stanford University. He earned his Juris Doctorate from Stanford Law School. His mother was born in Jalisco, Mexico and immigrated to the United States after marrying his father. He is married to Dr. Carolina Reyes, and they are the proud parents of three daughters: Clarisa, Olivia and Natalia.

"CREO" AWARD RECIPIENTS

The "CREO" Award, TELACU's most prestigious honor, recognizes individuals who exemplify the highest ideals and commitment to improving our community through personal and public service. In the Spanish language, the word "CREO" means "I BELIEVE." The award represents the values of family, education and community joining forces to elevate our nation.

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Hon. Ernest H. Moreno
Hon. Scott Svonkin
Hon. Steve Veres

A MESSAGE FROM PRISCILLA



↑ Priscilla and David Celebrate TELACU's 35th Anniversary at the 20th Annual Building the Dream Gala

The Giving Tree

Every morning as David and I drive up to TELACU Center, I feel blessed to be greeted by the beautiful 100-year-old rubber tree that has stood since long before the building's establishment. The rubber tree is a historical reminder of where we come from and what we set out to achieve. TELACU is headquartered on the site of the old B.F. Goodrich Tire Plant; a business whose closure cost the community thousands of jobs.

As I reflect on the milestone anniversaries of TELACU and the TELACU Education Foundation, I am realizing that this rubber tree has been one of our greatest teachers. If you think about it, this tree produces the same raw materials that allowed the tire factory to make its tires. These tires were purchased by people who needed mobility, and helped people get to work to provide for their families; to get to school and achieve an education; and back home after a long day to reunite with loved ones. Because of what this tree gave, people were able to achieve self-sufficiency.

On a day in 1976, the tree saw people put out of work. And yet it was under the shade of this East LA landmark just a few short years later that a pioneering institution committed to service, empowerment, advancement, and the creation of self-sufficiency took root. People from our community were once again employed and empowered to build their future. The women and men of TELACU work every day to advance this mission, and because of their tireless work, TELACU has spread throughout the city, county and state, with branches even extending across the nation!

On Monday, May 28, 2018, our family gathered to commemorate 50 years to the day of TELACU's founding. No words can describe how grateful we are for the privilege of being a part of TELACU's legacy. It is our honor to touch the lives of each of our talented and deserving Scholars, and we are humbled to do so alongside our many friends, colleagues, partners and advocates, like all of you here tonight!

So thank you for joining us to celebrate the past 50 years as we begin looking forward to the next 50. Because there is still so much work to be done—and without you, the work can't continue.

EXECUTIVE PRODUCER
PRISCILLA LIZÁRRAGA
Senior Vice President
TELACU Industries

GALA CHAIR



AL SMITH

Group Vice President
Chief Social Innovation Officer
Toyota Motor North America

Toyota is extremely proud to serve as this year's Presenting Sponsor of the 35th Annual *Building the Dream* Gala.

For more than a decade Toyota has partnered with TELACU to help first-generation Latino students gain access to higher education.

The Toyota/TELACU program awards \$5,000 scholarships to students pursuing degrees in business or STEM fields. Over the years, it has awarded nearly 400 undergraduate scholarships and approximately 150 graduate fellowships.

Beyond providing funding, Scholars also receive comprehensive services that make the critical difference in academic outcomes. Through workshops on financial empowerment, time management, leadership and professional development, students are equipped with the tools and skills they need to reach their dreams.

One example is the story of Keith Hernandez, a scholarship recipient nearly a decade ago. His grandparents were immigrant farm workers. One generation later, he was first in his family to go to college.

Keith went on to join our management trainee program and today he is a manager in Toyota's San Francisco Region. His story represents the story of many TELACU Scholar Alumni and is the embodiment of our campaign—Start Your Impossible—which encourages individuals to reach for their dreams.

TELACU Scholars serve in key positions across every sector—from business, engineering and the sciences, to public policy, law, education and the arts. These Scholars are role models, whose success creates a multiplier effect in the community, inspiring the next generation to reach for their goals.

We are grateful to the families of these bright young people, their educators who fostered their thirst for knowledge and, of course, to the TELACU Education Foundation—an organization that has helped thousands of young people realize their dreams.

¡VAYAMOS JUNTOS!

Thank You, TOYOTA, for Fueling Our Dreams

True to its innovative spirit and commitment to being a leader in diversity and inclusion, 11 years ago TOYOTA became one of the TELACU Education Foundation's most dedicated partners. Serving as Presenting Sponsor of every annual Gala since then, this award-winning corporation has provided invaluable support that impacts every Scholar and every aspect of the College Success Program—from financial resources for undergrad and graduate students pursuing Business and STEM degrees to comprehensive services and encouragement that ensure the success of our aspiring and hardworking young people.

Looking back to this significant year in our organization's history is an exercise in nostalgia, spanning technological innovation, pop-culture, and momentous occasions. In 2007, TOYOTA's iconic Camry and Tundra were named Car and Truck of the Year, respectively; Apple CEO Steve Jobs unveiled the very first iPhone; and author J.K. Rowling completed her last Harry Potter novel, selling 11 million copies in just 24 hours. Antonio Villaraigosa, the first Mexican-American Mayor of Los Angeles in over a century, was serving his first term; California's own Nancy Pelosi became the first-ever female Speaker of the House; and the year culminated with the global economy teetering as the housing bubble finally burst.

Looking back over these past 11 years also reminds us of the thousands of TELACU Scholars and Alumni who have been empowered by TOYOTA's investment of well-over \$3 million. These remarkable individuals have attained post-secondary degrees including Bachelor's, Master's, JDs and even PhDs! We are honored to share but a few examples of their success:

Jazmin García, JD, 1st Latina Class President at Notre Dame

Juan Jose Villanueva, MS, former Toyota Intern and Environmental Engineer with U.S. Department of Defense, now Mechanical Engineer at LADWP

Eric Barajas, MBA, Purdue grad named "2015 Best MBAs" by *Poets & Quants*, now a Senior Buyer at Target

Lilibeth Gangas, MBA, former software engineer at Raytheon, now Chief Technology Community Officer at the Kapor Center for Social Impact tackling pressing social and economic inequities

Ramon Zepeda, MBA, Wharton grad recruited by Merrill Lynch, quarterbacked HPE's acquisition of Nimble

Andrea Ambriz, MPP, Berkeley grad, former Special Assistant to Treasury Secretary Geithner during the Obama Administration, now Senior Advisor and Strategist at SEIU Local 2015

Angelica Gutierrez, PhD, LMU Business Professor named one of "Best 40 under 40 Professors" by *Poets & Quants*

Thank you, TOYOTA, for joining us in empowering thousands of young people like these—each one exceptional, but not the exception—to cross the finish lines of their educational journeys and confidently launch into the professional world. As they rise in respect, power and influence, many return to serve the Foundation as mentors, advocates and partners, creating cascading benefits of upward mobility.

Toyota is proud to support students in the pursuit of their impossible.

Start Your Impossible.



Victor Mejia, MS
Toyota Scholar Alumnus

Computer Science
CSU Los Angeles

BS, Applied Mathematics
UC Los Angeles

Current Senior Engineer
McGraw-Hill Education

"Being a Toyota Scholar provided me with more than scholarships. I was able to gain the confidence I needed to achieve my dream of graduating with my Bachelor's degree in Applied Mathematics from a very competitive school."



Stephanie Haro, BS
Graduate Fellow

Ph.D. Candidate, Speech and Hearing
Bioscience and Technology
Harvard University
The Graduate School of Arts and Sciences
- Division of Medical Sciences

BS, Electrical Engineering
Brown University

"I turned pink in one of Harvard's fancy libraries at the realization that I had transitioned from a 99.8% Hispanic high school, to one of five Hispanic engineering students in my graduating class at Brown, to the sole minority in my Ph.D. program. Knowing that companies like Toyota and TELACU believe in me helps me believe that I can!"



50
YEARS
1968 • 2018



Josue Enriquez, MS, PE
Toyota Scholar Alumnus and Graduate Fellow

MBA Candidate
UC Los Angeles
Anderson School of Management

MS, Civil Engineering
University of Southern California

BS, Civil Engineering
University of Southern California

"Toyota's support of TELACU does not only have an immediate impact on me, but it also has an impact on those who are inevitably linked to my success. I do not bear this responsibility lightly. Words will never be enough to express my gratitude, but thank you for your continued support of such a great organization!"



Crystal Caldera, JD, MA, M.Ed.
Graduate Fellow Alumna

MA, Sociology
UC Irvine

M.Ed., Emphasis in Counseling
CSU Dominguez Hills

BA, Sociology
UC Los Angeles

Current Associate
Jones Day

"Toyota's generous investment in my life has empowered me to achieve my American Dream, and I hope to serve as an inspiration to both other first-generation students and sponsors who believe in the Latino community."



**Vayamos
Juntos**

MILLENNIUM PARTNER



JOHN RAFFOUL, DPA, FACHE

President

Adventist Health White Memorial

Adventist Health White Memorial (AHWM) is a 353-bed not-for-profit, faith-based, teaching hospital, which provides a full range of inpatient, outpatient, emergency and diagnostic services to communities in and near downtown Los Angeles.

Keeping our communities healthy has been the mission of AHWM ever since our hospital was founded by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in 1913. Our commitment to quality, whole-person care stems from our heritage, dating back to 1866 when the first Seventh-day Adventist healthcare facility opened in Battle Creek, Michigan. More than a century later, the healthcare system sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Church circles the globe with over 160 hospitals and nearly 500 clinics, nursing homes and dispensaries worldwide.

Today, White Memorial is one of the region's leading not-for-profit hospitals. Services include cardiac and vascular care, intensive and general medical care, oncology, orthopedic care, rehabilitation, specialized and general surgery, and women's and children's services. As a major teaching hospital, White Memorial also plays an important role in training physicians, nurses and other medical professionals. And we are an employer of choice for the communities we serve. It is that commitment to developing and supporting the next generation of caregivers that leads to our strong and enduring partnership with the TELACU Education Foundation. Since 2002, the White Memorial/TELACU Health Careers Program has empowered more than 175 first-generation local residents to earn a nursing degree. Participants pursuing an ADN or BSN receive stipends and scholarships as well as comprehensive services that include professional development, coaching, and mentoring. The Program also covers costs of the Kaplan NCLEX-RN preparation course and RN licensure fees. With impressive 100% graduation and passing rates, graduates are then hired by Adventist Health White Memorial to serve in high acuity departments such as the ED, ICU and NICU.

There are approximately 600,000 physicians in this country—and more than 3.1 million nurses. Every year, graduates of the Health Careers Program join that critical group of nurses, without whom White Memorial, or any other hospital, could not do the job we are all committed to doing on behalf of the people we serve.



Thank You, Adventist Health White Memorial, for Inspiring Health in Our Community!

Celebrating its 15th anniversary this year, the White Memorial/TELACU Health Careers Program has empowered more than 175 first-generation Latinos from our community to achieve success in the health care industry. This long term investment has yielded an outstanding return; Program graduates now account for nearly 20% of the nursing staff at Adventist Health White Memorial.

Program participants not only earn their nursing degree and attain RN licensure, but also receive training critical to the delivery of culturally sensitive, competent in-language care for the Hospital's primarily Latino patients. Utilizing a holistic model, the Program: provides stipends and scholarships for local students pursuing an ADN or BSN; funds comprehensive services that include professional development, coaching, and mentoring; covers the costs of the Kaplan NCLEX-RN preparation course and RN licensure fees; and delivers training in Spanish-language medical terminology and cultural sensitivity.

With impressive 100% graduation and licensure passing rates, Program graduates are hired by the Hospital—ranked one of America's 100 Best Hospitals™ by Healthgrades for a second consecutive year in 2017. These nurses consistently elect to serve in high acuity departments such as the ED, ICU and NICU.

Many of these outstanding nurses are compelled to continue their education—earning Bachelor's and Master's degrees, even becoming Nurse Practitioners—and to take on key leadership roles that continually impact the culture and quality of care throughout the Hospital and beyond!

Ingrid is one such nurse. She has been part of the White Memorial family for over 11 years and is a standout TELACU Alumna due to her noble work in the Hospital and beyond! With a past filled with hardship, she discovered that helping others was the best way to cope with her own loss and tribulation. As a member of the Labor and Delivery Unit, she was privileged to help mothers bring new life into the world, but she also grieved alongside families who suffered a miscarriage or the loss of an infant. In response, she created the Little

Angels of White Memorial Support Program and devotes her own time to help families grieve and heal—her good works have been featured in the Pacific Union Recorder Magazine.

To further elevate her delivery of care, she earned a Bachelor's in Nursing as well as an In-Patient Obstetrics Certification, which recognizes applied and theoretical knowledge in the obstetric specialty. And her extraordinary, compassionate care even earned her the DAISY Award! Committed to mentoring future nurses, she has been a Preceptor for many Health Careers Program participants and has facilitated our Nursing Professionalism Seminar. We know that her contributions to the Hospital, to her fellow nurses and to the community will only grow as she pursues a Master's in Nursing at USC with the goal of becoming a Family Nurse Practitioner.

PRESIDENTIAL PARTNER



RICHARD MONTAÑEZ

Head of Latino Marketing and Sales
Pepsi North America

PepsiCo is proud to support the TELACU Scholars. I recently completed my 40th year as a PepsiCo employee. One of the many reasons I built my career at PepsiCo is the PepsiCo mission statement.

At PepsiCo, we operate under the guiding principle of Performance with Purpose. To us it means delivering sustainable growth by investing in a healthier future for people and our planet. As a global food and beverage company with brands that stand for quality and are respected household names—Pepsi-Cola, Lay's, Quaker Oats, Tropicana and Gatorade, to name but a few—we will continue to build a portfolio of enjoyable and healthier foods and beverages, find innovative ways to reduce the use of energy, water and packaging, and provide a great workplace for our associates. Additionally, we respect, support and invest in the local communities where we operate by hiring local people, creating products designed for local tastes and partnering with local farmers, governments and community groups—because a healthier future for all people and our planet means a more successful future for PepsiCo. This is our promise.

Joining TELACU in investing in the young Scholars we honor tonight is part of our Performance with Purpose vision.

On behalf of my colleagues at Pepsi and the entire PepsiCo family, we congratulate our Scholar honorees. I would also like to thank Priscilla, David, Michael and everyone at TELACU for their unwavering commitment to improving lives through the Foundation's *Continuum of Education*—from high school all the way through post-graduate studies.



PepsiCo and TELACU share the belief that our greatest asset is not our financial capital, but rather our human capital.

In 1992, PepsiCo invested in one of their own, a janitor, whose invention—*Flamin' Hot Cheetos*—became one of Pepsi's top-selling products and a pop culture phenomenon that catapulted his career. Now known as the *Godfather of Hispanic Branding*, Richard Montañez's story is being developed into a film by Fox Searchlight!

PepsiCo continues to invest in people—from adding healthy options to its product lines to fulfilling the needs of the Latino community at home with diverse flavor profiles and in life by funding education and job preparation.

For the third consecutive year, this American staple has invested in TELACU Scholars. Since

most are not only the first to attend college, but also the first professional in their family, they oftentimes lack the role models, support and career guidance that are just as important as a scholarship. By funding the Workforce Preparation Academy (WPA), PepsiCo helps Scholars develop the soft skills and confidence needed to successfully enter the workforce.

A recent study found that only 11% of business leaders felt strongly that students graduate from college with the skills needed for success in the workplace. Employers overwhelmingly agree that while technical knowledge is usually up to par among recent graduates, soft skills are largely underdeveloped. Considering that Latinos accounted for 70% of the nation's workforce increase in the first half of this decade alone, there is an immense need for young Latino professionals to develop competencies with transferable skills and social capital in order to be competitive candidates.

With PepsiCo's support, the WPA provides students with various tools to develop a personal brand; create and refine a working resume; leverage their LinkedIn profiles to secure employment opportunities; participate in mock interviews; and benefit from personal coaching. Throughout the year, an impressive network of TELACU Friends dedicated their time at Sessions working on students' soft skills. At the recent Networking IRL Session, ('IRL' being internet slang for 'in real life'), students practiced elevator pitch and conversational skills, learning how to make professional connections in any setting!

Through a new partnership with the Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce's LA Youth at Work Program, TELACU Scholars undergo comprehensive evaluation of the skills developed by WPA programming, including professional dress, customer service and interview techniques. Students who demonstrate a standard of proficiency receive job-ready certification. Not only do certified students gain a valuable addition to their resume, but they also receive regularly updated job leads at some of California's most prestigious companies. This year, we certified 95% of participating Scholars!

As our students continue to grow in skill, strength, and confidence, we thank PepsiCo for continuing to invest in our community's most valuable asset—our young people.

CORPORATE CO-CHAIRS



JANET CLAYTON
Senior Vice President
Corporate Communications
Edison International

At Edison International, giving back is part of who we are and what we do. We believe in our communities—in big dreams, noble causes and everyday heroes.

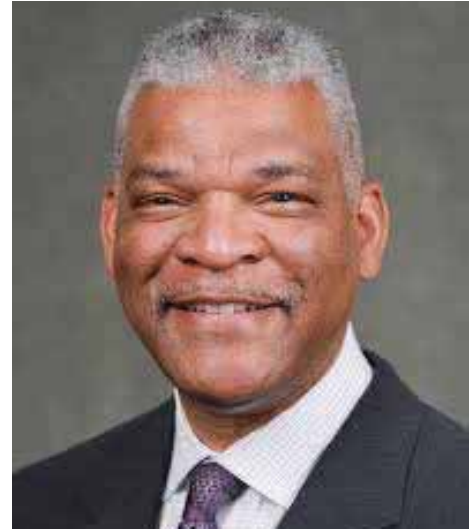
We believe education is the backbone of every aspiration, and we've made this one of our top giving priorities. Last year, we helped children access science, technology, engineering and math programs that teach them how to build robots, explain how renewable energy works, and transports them into the wilderness to understand the importance of environmental protection, among others.

We also believe in bettering lives. Our Edison Scholars scholarship program does exactly that, and since 2006 has changed the lives of more than 550 students and their families by providing 30 well-deserved \$40,000 scholarships every year. These students are our future. Many of them are first-time college attendees in their families and live in underserved communities across our service territory. Edison Scholars gives them hope and the freedom to attend their dream

school with less financial strain. We also provide \$2.8 million in STEM scholarships to our partners, including community-based organizations, TELACU, and every Cal State University in our service territory. Our goal remains the same: help make dreams come true by sending hundreds of students to college each year.

Much work remains to strengthen tomorrow's STEM-powered workforce. We believe STEM is both important and vital, and we will continue to support young men and women who are eager to help power a clean energy future through STEM careers.

On behalf of all of us at Edison International and Southern California Edison, I congratulate all of the TELACU Scholars and all who support TELACU's programs.



Social justice, economic equity, and quality education are essential building blocks of prosperity for both individuals and communities. They are also the principles upon which the values and commitments of MUFG Union Bank, N.A., TELACU and the TELACU Education Foundation converge to help foster healthy, self-sustaining communities.

Tonight we celebrate the impressive achievements of the 2018 TELACU Scholars and the distinguished "CREO" award recipient. We honor the success of TELACU Alumni who have given their time, talent, and resources to ensuring the continued success of the Foundation and its next generations of Scholars.

We also celebrate two important milestones—the 50th anniversary of TELACU and the 35th anniversary of the TELACU Education Foundation. Together, these institutions have transformed our communities and the educational outcomes of thousands of first-generation students.



JULIUS ROBINSON

Managing Director
Head of Corporate
Social Responsibility
MUFG Union Bank, N.A.



PATTI WAGNER

Chief Executive Officer
SoCalGas

The Foundation's pioneering Continuum of Education model endeavors to provide rich scholastic programs and financial support coupled with career development programs and academic mentorships. Today, more than 10,000 TELACU Scholars have attained the dream of a college degree and many have gone on to complete Master's and Ph.D. programs. They have become skilled professionals and leaders in the fields of business, science, engineering, education, public policy, and many others.

Tonight is a special evening of optimism, commitment, and celebration of the bright futures of our students. It is their success that will ensure a better, more prosperous future for our communities. On behalf of all my colleagues at MUFG Union Bank, N.A., congratulations to all of the TELACU Scholars for their accomplishments—we send them our best wishes for continued success.

SoCalGas is proud to serve as Corporate Co-Chair for the 35th anniversary of TELACU's Education Foundation and tonight's *Building the Dream Gala*. And congratulations to TELACU on celebrating its 50th Anniversary!

SoCalGas is proud to partner with TELACU in serving our customers and developing our youth!

For nearly 20 years, SoCalGas has supported TELACU's Education Foundation in its mission to transform educational outcomes for first-generation students from under-resourced communities. TELACU's mission aligns with ours, to help bring science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) education to underserved communities to expand the pool of diverse, skilled professionals. I continue to be amazed, impressed and inspired by the TELACU Scholars' success stories. Seeing these passionate and driven students gives me great hope for our future generations!

In addition to providing a clean, safe, reliable and affordable energy option for our 20 million consumers, SoCalGas strives to make a difference

in the communities we serve because we believe when neighborhoods, businesses and residents thrive, our whole community benefits. Last year, SoCalGas invested \$6.1 million into non-profit organizations, focused in the areas of Environment, Emergency Preparedness/Safety, Homelessness and Education.

We support our communities through partnerships that focus on education. We invest significantly in training and development, and partner with community groups like TELACU to hire a diverse workforce. In fact, in 2017 we gave over \$1.64 million to educational causes, including 119 scholarships to underserved students throughout our service area.

All of us at SoCalGas are committed to doing what we can to help others. While there will always be challenges facing our neighborhoods and communities, as our 150-year history shows, we will maintain a strong presence in years to come.

Congratulations to TELACU and the TELACU Education Foundation on its milestone anniversaries, and congratulations to California Attorney General Xavier Becerra—tonight's "CREO" honoree—and, of course, to all the TELACU Scholars. On behalf of all of us at SoCalGas, we are so proud to work alongside the TELACU Education Foundation to make a positive difference in the lives of students, their families and in the community!

50

years ago...

a group of concerned citizens stood on the threshold of a dream. It was a new dream, conceived within the possibility that a community could direct its own rebirth and renewal. It was a dream founded in the pioneering spirit of America—that hardworking men and women could build their own American Dream if they only had the tools to do so. It was in the spirit of this dream that a community was brought together, bound by a willingness to work hard, and driven by the knowledge that the dream would soon become a reality.

THEIR DREAM BECAME TELACU.



1968



TELACU Founded

Through legislation authored by U.S. Senators Robert F. Kennedy and Jacob K. Javits, The East Los Angeles Community Union—TELACU—becomes the last of 30 original CDCs to be chartered and incorporated. Organized by members of the community and with assistance from the United Auto Workers, TELACU seeks to find ways for the disenfranchised local community to negotiate with the public sector for socio-economic equity in the same manner that labor negotiates with industry.

35 years ago...

TELACU awarded a small number of scholarships—15 to be exact—to 7 young men and 8 young women who dreamed of going to college.

We were joined on that occasion by the families of those 15 men and women, as well as administrators from East Los Angeles College, Cal State LA, and USC—our very first family of partnering colleges and universities. That day we set in motion the belief in another dream. It was a dream that those 15 people would be the first of many thousands of young people to achieve their hopes and desires of creating a greater future for themselves and for all the people of our community.

1972

TELACU Mobilizes Community to Transform Housing Projects

Committed to transforming the social and physical landscape of communities, TELACU works with residents to redevelop the Maravilla Housing Projects. Residents apprentice under tradesmen and are equipped to secure well-paying jobs, creating self-sufficiency.



1974



President & CEO David C. Lizárraga Pioneers Business Model

Under the new leadership of David C. Lizárraga, TELACU implements an innovative business model for community development and economic empowerment, resulting in the formation of TELACU Industries. Every business TELACU operates has a double bottom line—profitability that is inseparable from social impact.





Community Commerce Bank Established

TELACU creates its own bank in response to the lack of financial services available to hardworking families and small business owners in our community.



1976



Abandoned B.F. Goodrich Tire Plant Acquired

In the aftermath of the plant's devastating closure and loss of thousands of jobs for local residents, TELACU launches ambitious \$45 million project to attract new business and create new jobs.

TELACU Industrial Park Creates 2,500 New Jobs

TELACU's first million square feet of industrial space is built on the former B.F. Goodrich site, and is leased by businesses that employ local residents.



1977

1978

1979

David C. Lizárraga Appointed by President Jimmy Carter to National Commission on Neighborhoods



TELACU Weatherization/ Inter-City Energy Systems Launched

In partnership with Southern California Gas and Edison, families are provided—at no cost to them—products and services that help them conserve energy and reduce utility costs.



TELACU Community Capital Established

A catalyst for creating and retaining jobs in our community, TELACU creates revolving loan and technical assistance programs that empower small business owners.

1981



David C. Lizárraga Joins Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute in Washington, DC

1982



South Coast Shingle Acquired

Youth Services Program Begins

Honda mini-bikes play an important role in keeping local at-risk teens in school.



Scholarship Program Established

A modest 15 scholarships are awarded to the first class of TELACU Scholars.



First Affordable Family Homes Developed

Lanto Pacific
City of Commerce



1983

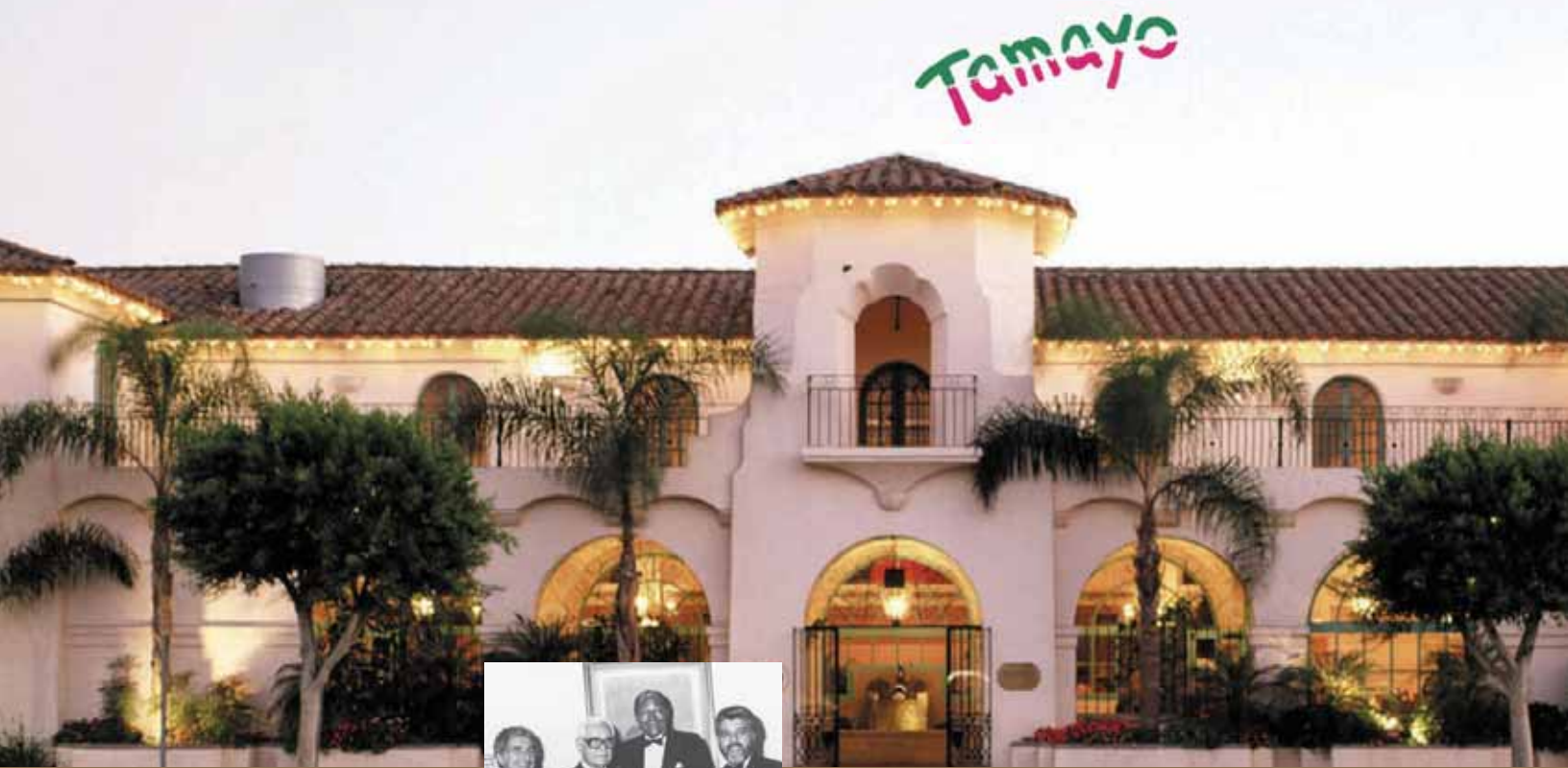
1988



César Chávez Inaugurates TELACU Center



TELACU Headquarters Becomes a Community Landmark with its 40-foot Ceramic Mural, "*El Orgullo De Nuestra Herencia*"



1988



Tamayo Restaurant Opens

Rescued from demolition four years earlier, a historic hacienda is transformed into a world-class dining establishment showcasing the works of Mexican artist Maestro Rufino Tamayo.



First Senior Housing Complex Built

A 202 project funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, TELACU Senior Housing is developed in the City of Hawthorne.



Michael Lizárraga Joins TELACU to Assist U.S. Government in S & L Crisis

TELACU begins a highly successful venture to liquidate \$13 billion of troubled loans and properties acquired from failed financial institutions.

College Advisement and Leadership Program (CALP) Implemented

A comprehensive support system, including academic and career guidance, is incorporated into the Scholarship Program to ensure that Scholars earn their college degree.

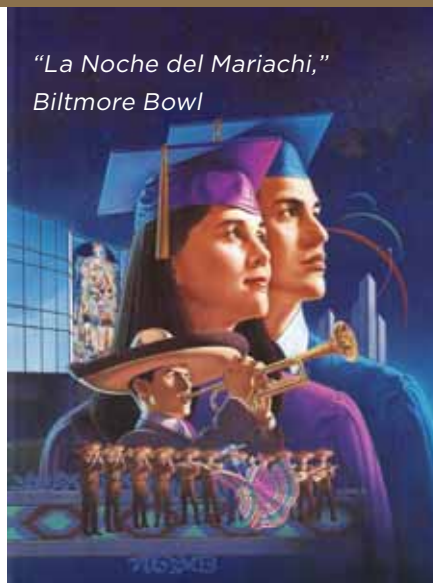


1990

1991



David C. Lizárraga Appointed to California Arts Council by Governor Pete Wilson



*"La Noche del Mariachi,"
Biltmore Bowl*

Annual Scholarship Awards Dinner Moves to Biltmore Hotel

David C. Lizárraga Joins Whittier College Board of Trustees



**Michael Lizárraga Joins
Azusa Pacific University
Board of Trustees**



Classic Upward Bound and Veterans Upward Bound Programs Begin

These Federal TRiO Programs prepare high school students and veterans to pursue post-secondary education.



1993

1994



**Annual Scholarship
Awards Dinner Moves to
Century Plaza Hotel**



**TELACU Construction
Management Formed**

**David C. Lizárraga Appointed to
California World Trade Commission
by State's First African American
Assembly Speaker, Willie Brown, Jr.**

TELACU Construction Management Lands Alameda Corridor Project

This \$2.4 billion enterprise connects the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach to the rail network east of downtown Los Angeles via a 20-mile high-speed railroad freight line.

Community Commerce Bank Named Top Small Business Lender by Los Angeles Business Journal



1995

1996



TELACU Residential Management Established

To provide our seniors with the dignity and respect they deserve, TELACU forms this non-profit entity to effectively manage the growing number of senior housing complexes developed by TELACU.



Michael Lizárraga Heads TELACU Industries

As President & CEO, Lizárraga oversees TELACU's family of companies built upon four key business sectors—real estate development, financial services, construction and construction management.

TELACU Begins Mixed-Use Projects with Pacific Development

Retail space is mixed with senior housing to create new developments in Montebello, South Gate and West Covina.



1997

Multifamily Development Partnership Established with K & B (Now MacFarlane Costa)

Tax credit housing expert Michael Costa partners with TELACU to create numerous affordable workforce communities throughout California.

TELACU Develops First Major Supermarket in East LA Area in 15 Years



Talent Search Program Launched

This third TRiO Program helps middle and high school students prepare for higher education.

1998



Food 4 Less opens on the site of Angelus Grand Plaza, quickly becoming one of the chain's top grossing stores.

TELACU Construction Management Becomes Federal 8(a) Company

Foundation Expands Nationally

To reach a higher percentage of the U.S. Latino population, Foundation programs are extended to Illinois, Texas and New York.

David C. Lizárraga Graduate Fellowship Program Begins

Graduate students are supported to pursue the advanced degrees they need to excel and become leaders in our global community.

TELACU Construction Management Builds First Project for U.S. Forestry Service



Nursing Program Established to Meet Critical Need

Downey Regional Medical Center becomes first Millennium Partner of TELACU's Health Careers Program, which addresses the critical shortage of bilingual, culturally sensitive nurses.



1999

2001

TELACU Construction Management Builds First Military Project for the U.S. Government



First Annual Health Careers Fair Held

Hundreds of students and their families learn about rewarding career opportunities in health care and receive a variety of free health screenings.

Educational Technology Center Opens

Local youth and families are equipped to access and utilize the world of digital and online technology.





New Millennium Partners Expand Reach of Nursing Program

White Memorial
Medical Center
Adventist
Health

Tenet
California

New Markets Community Capital Created



Citi Foundation Funds Citi/ TELACU Scholars Mentoring Program

Students pursuing business careers are awarded scholarships and receive academic and career guidance from top-level Citi professionals.

Computer Literacy Program for High School Students Begins



TELACU receives \$30 million New Markets Tax Credit allocation from Treasury Department to invest in local community.

David C. Lizárraga Elected President of California Latino Caucus Institute

2002

2003

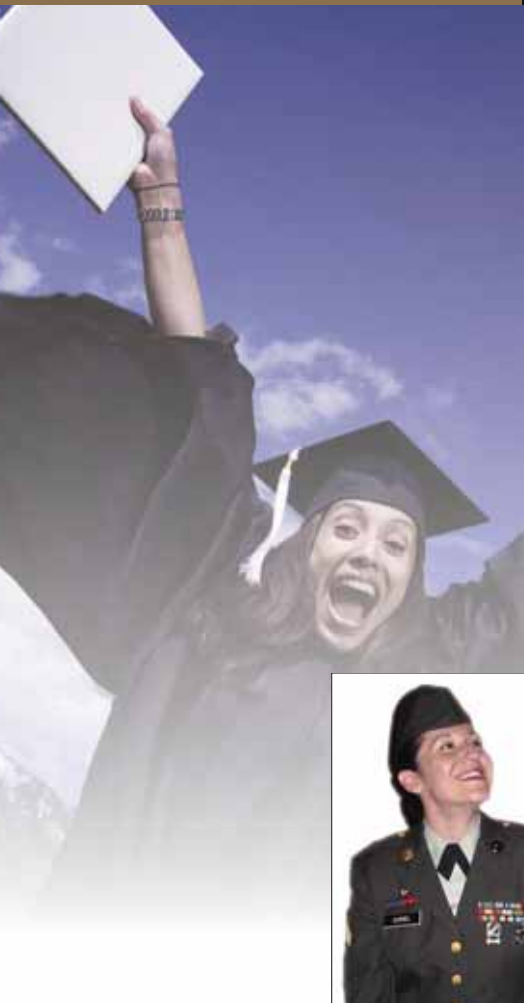
Foundation Named “National Scholarship Provider of the Year”

National Scholarship Providers Association commends TELACU for its innovative programs and outstanding impact in providing access to higher education.

BYU Marriott School/TELACU MBA Program Established

Partnership advances TELACU's mission to develop business professionals by providing scholarships to MBA candidates, such as U.S. Army Veteran Bea Cortes.

David C. Lizárraga First Appointed to CA New Motor Vehicle Board by State Assembly Speaker Herb Wesson, Jr.





FuturoNow Healthy Marriage Initiative Created

Programs to strengthen relationships and families are delivered to more than 4,000 Latino couples, individuals and youth each year. Funded by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, this Initiative brings together over 20 faith- and community-based organizations.



Bridge to Employment Program Launched

High school students are exposed to careers in health and technology.



2004



TELACU Reaches \$500 Million in Total Assets

David and Michael Lizárraga Become First Father and Son to Have Both Served on CSU Foundation Board



2005

2006

TELACU Weatherizes 150,000th Home



David C. Lizárraga Elected Chair of U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

This national advocacy organization represents the interests of over 2.5 million Hispanic-owned businesses, which collectively generate \$400 billion, as well as 200 chambers throughout the U.S., Mexico, Canada, Puerto Rico, Bolivia and Uruguay.



Henry Segerstrom High School
Santa Ana, California

TELACU Construction Management Builds its Largest School Project to Date

David C. Lizárraga Receives Honorary Doctorate from Cal State LA



Hispanic Business[®]

TELACU Becomes 5th Largest Hispanic Business in California

With the proven success of TELACU's unique business approach to community development, Hispanic Business Magazine recognizes TELACU as the 54th largest Hispanic company in the entire nation.

2006

2007

TOYOTA

TOYOTA Funds David C. Lizárraga Fellows and TOYOTA/TELACU Scholarship Program

Financial resources and guidance are provided to graduate students and upperclassman college students studying business or engineering.

Newest Millennium Partners Expand Reach of Nursing Program to Pediatrics



Children's Hospital Los Angeles
International Leader in Pediatrics



The California Endowment



2008

TELACU Signs Largest Industrial Lease in Commerce Market in 7 Years

TELACU Education Foundation Celebrates 25th Anniversary TELACU Celebrates 40th Anniversary



Chairman David C. Lizárraga, U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Introduces Newly Inaugurated President Barack Obama

Only 50 days into his first term, President Obama delivers his agenda on education and the economy.



2009

TELACU Construction Management Completes \$24 million, 1200-Seat Centinela Valley Union High School District Performing Arts Center



2010

Hyundai Partnership Establishes Two New Foundation Programs

The “Hyundai Internship Experience” provides internships to TELACU Scholars and the ST Math Program provides cutting-edge digital math education software to local elementary schools.

Dr. David C. Lizárraga Family and TELACU Lobby Dedicated at White Memorial Medical Center



Trustee Michael Lizárraga Delivers Commencement Address at Azusa Pacific University



STEM Initiative Formalized Across All Foundation Programs

Together with the Business Initiative will ensure that Entrepreneurship and Innovation remain hallmarks of America.

TRiO Programs Awarded Third Consecutive Five-Year Grants

TRiO Programs that prepare middle and high school students and veterans to pursue post-secondary education expand to three, increasing participation to 1,600 students annually. The Veterans Program is the only one of its kind in California.

TELACU Scholarships Surpass 10,000

2011

Health Careers Partnership with White Memorial Medical Center Celebrates 10 Years of Excellence

More than 100 local residents graduate and receive Registered Nurse Licensure through this partnership and now account for 25% of Hospital's nursing staff. Overall, more than 500 Health Careers graduates now serve in local community hospitals.

2012

TELACU Makes its Largest Loan: \$34.2 million New Markets Tax Credit Transaction with BioFuels Fuel Cells, LLC

Dr. David C. Lizárraga Receives Second Presidential Appointment

President Obama appoints David to the U.S. Department of the Treasury's CDFI Community Development Advisory Board.





Citi/TELACU Scholars Mentoring Program Reaches 10th Anniversary

Citi's investment—exceeding \$2.5 million—supports Foundation's Business Initiative through scholarships for business-related majors; Citi executives add to this investment as Mentors.

Tamayo Restaurant Celebrates 25th Anniversary



Dr. David C. Lizárraga Family Honored by Longstanding University Partners: USC and University of La Verne

2013

TELACU/New Markets Community Capital Allocations Reach \$175 million

TELACU Celebrates 45 Years of “Building Communities with Partners Like You”

2014

TELACU Education Foundation Celebrates 30 Years of *Building the Dream*





TELACU Finances New State-of-the-Art QueensCare Health Clinic in the East LA Civic Center

Michael Lizárraga Receives Honorary Doctorate from Azusa Pacific University



2015

2016



TELACU Selected by NY Governor's Office of Storm Recovery for its First Contract in New York City

Dr. David C. Lizárraga Receives Ellis Island Medal of Honor

For his lifetime of inspired service and dedication to empowerment, Dr. Lizárraga receives one of our nation's most prestigious awards.





Financing for LAFLA Ron Olson Justice Center and LA LGBT Center

TELACU provides financing for two important community assets in the City of Los Angeles: Legal Aid Foundation of LA's Ron Olson Justice Center and LA LGBT Center's Anita May Rosenstein Campus.

2017

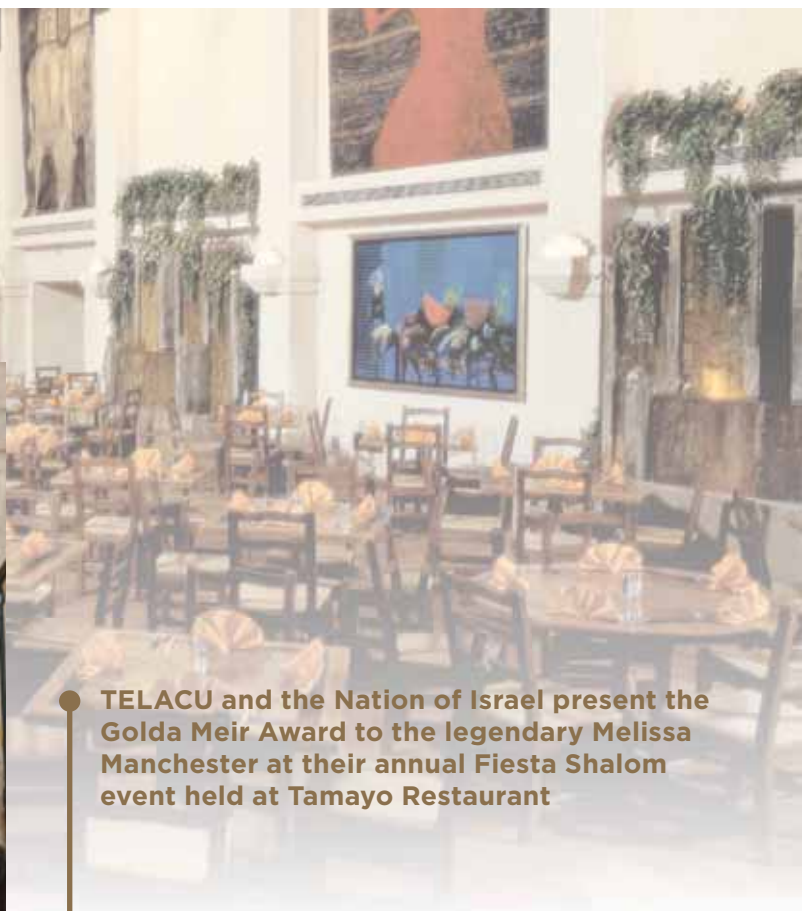
TELACU Celebrates 10th Anniversary of Partnership with Gala "Presenting Sponsor" TOYOTA

TOYOTA

Dr. Michael Lizárraga Receives Latino Spirit Award

The California Latino Legislative Caucus presents the 2017 Latino Spirit Award to Dr. Michael Lizárraga for his accomplishments in community development.





TELACU and the Nation of Israel present the Golda Meir Award to the legendary Melissa Manchester at their annual Fiesta Shalom event held at Tamayo Restaurant

2018

B4 **Los Angeles Times** **LATIMES.COM**

In 1968, a movement was ignited

(Walkouts, from left) public schools in Los Angeles' North Hollywood district. The walkouts are viewed as a turning point in the political development of the nation's Mexican American community.

Some local leaders at the time, including Mayor Sam Yamp, denounced the walkouts as a communist plot, and in the months that followed, law enforcement responded with undercover operations, raids and arrests.

In returning the indignities, the grand jurors found there was sufficient evidence to show that the protests staged at Garfield, Lincoln, Roosevelt and other high schools were not spontaneous but rather the result of careful off-campus planning by some students.

Defense attorneys would later argue, successfully, that the protest organizers were merely exercising their constitutional rights. But when the indictments were handed down, each defendant faced 99 years in prison.

Among the 33 arrested was Carlos Muñoz Jr., who recalled how police arrived at the school and arrested the students.

Defense attorneys in the case included Oscar Anzola, a left-leaning lawyer with a gangster's appetite for food, drugs and dangerous living who inspired the character of Dr. Martin Luther King in Thompson's book "Fear and Loathing in Las Vegas."

"Oscar popped up out of nowhere offering to help," David Sanchez recalled with a laugh. "I asked him once, 'How'd you learn about us?' He said he had been visiting on rallies at a restaurant in Aspen, Colo., when he looked up at a television on the wall and saw news footage of Garfield kids being chased and beaten by police."

"Oscar said he took off his apron, threw it down on a table and announced, 'These people need a lawyer! Then he drove to L.A.'"

Throughout the summer, Mexican American leaders urged that L.A. District of Education to reinstate Muñoz, who had been removed from his job at Lincoln. Julian Samora, the only Mexican American on the school board, suggested a political motive for the arrests. They

DAVID SANCHEZ stands inside a restaurant that 50 years ago housed La Piranya coffee shop, where he and the Brown Berets met to organize the 1968 East L.A. walkouts, a push to improve the schools in L.A.'s barrios.

By Steven J. Green, Los Angeles Times

LA Times Remembers the ELA Student Walkouts

Feature article commemorates the students' fabled meeting place, "La Piranya" Cafe—now TELACU's banquet room at Tamayo Restaurant.

Two Milestone Anniversaries Coincide



50
YEARS
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**35TH ANNUAL
BUILDING
THE DREAM
GALA**

City of Los Angeles State of California

RESOLUTION

50th Anniversary TELACU



Hon. Gilbert A. Cedillo
Council Member
City of Los Angeles

WHEREAS, celebrating its 50th Anniversary, TELACU has been *Building the Dream* for Los Angeles communities for half a century by fostering social and economic development through the creation of well-paying jobs, quality and affordable housing, responsive financial institutions, and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, TELACU established the TELACU Education Foundation in order to shatter barriers to academic and professional success for first-generation Latino youth from traditionally underserved communities, empowering them to attain higher education and to succeed in the competitive 21st Century workforce; and

WHEREAS, over its 35-year history, the Foundation has supported thousands upon thousands of Scholars - from high school through graduate school students as well as veterans - with a vital combination of four inseparable components: Scholarships; Academic, Leadership, Personal and Professional Development Seminars; Academic Advisement and Career Guidance with an Emphasis in Workforce Preparation; and Giving Back; and

WHEREAS, in addition to creating the *Continuum of Education* - a dynamic model which annually propels more than 2,000 students from high school through graduate studies, with an emphasis in STEM and Business - the Foundation also addresses our community's growing need for nurses equipped to deliver competent in-language and culturally sensitive care; and

WHEREAS, the Foundation also serves students in Illinois, Texas and New York, emerging as one of the most effective national institutions impacting the needs of Latino communities; and

WHEREAS, TELACU Scholars have built a *Legacy of Success*: historically 98% of high school students graduate and almost without exception pursue post-secondary education; and 99% of college students attain at minimum a Bachelor's, with a growing number going on to pursue graduate degrees;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that by the adoption of this resolution, the Los Angeles City Council, does hereby congratulate TELACU on its 50th Anniversary and the TELACU Education Foundation on its 35th Anniversary, and joins you in celebrating the Annual *Building the Dream* Gala by declaring Friday, June 8, 2018 as "TELACU Scholars' Day" throughout the City of Los Angeles.

RESOLUTION BY

Gilbert Cedillo
GILBERT A. CEDILLO

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting held April 24, 2018.

SECONDED BY ALL COUNCILMEMBERS:

Paul Kruttschnitt Councilmember 2nd District
Bob Blumenfeld Councilmember 3rd District
Jeese W. Williams Councilmember 4th District
Paul Kasey Councilmember 5th District
Monica Rodriguez Councilmember 6th District
Alvin B. Brown Councilmember 7th District
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Alvin B. Brown Councilmember 14th District
Alvin B. Brown Councilmember 15th District



ATTEST

Hay J. White
City Clerk



Hon. Eric Garcetti
Mayor
City of Los Angeles

June 8, 2018

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the City of Los Angeles, welcome to the TELACU Education Foundation's "Building the Dream" Gala.

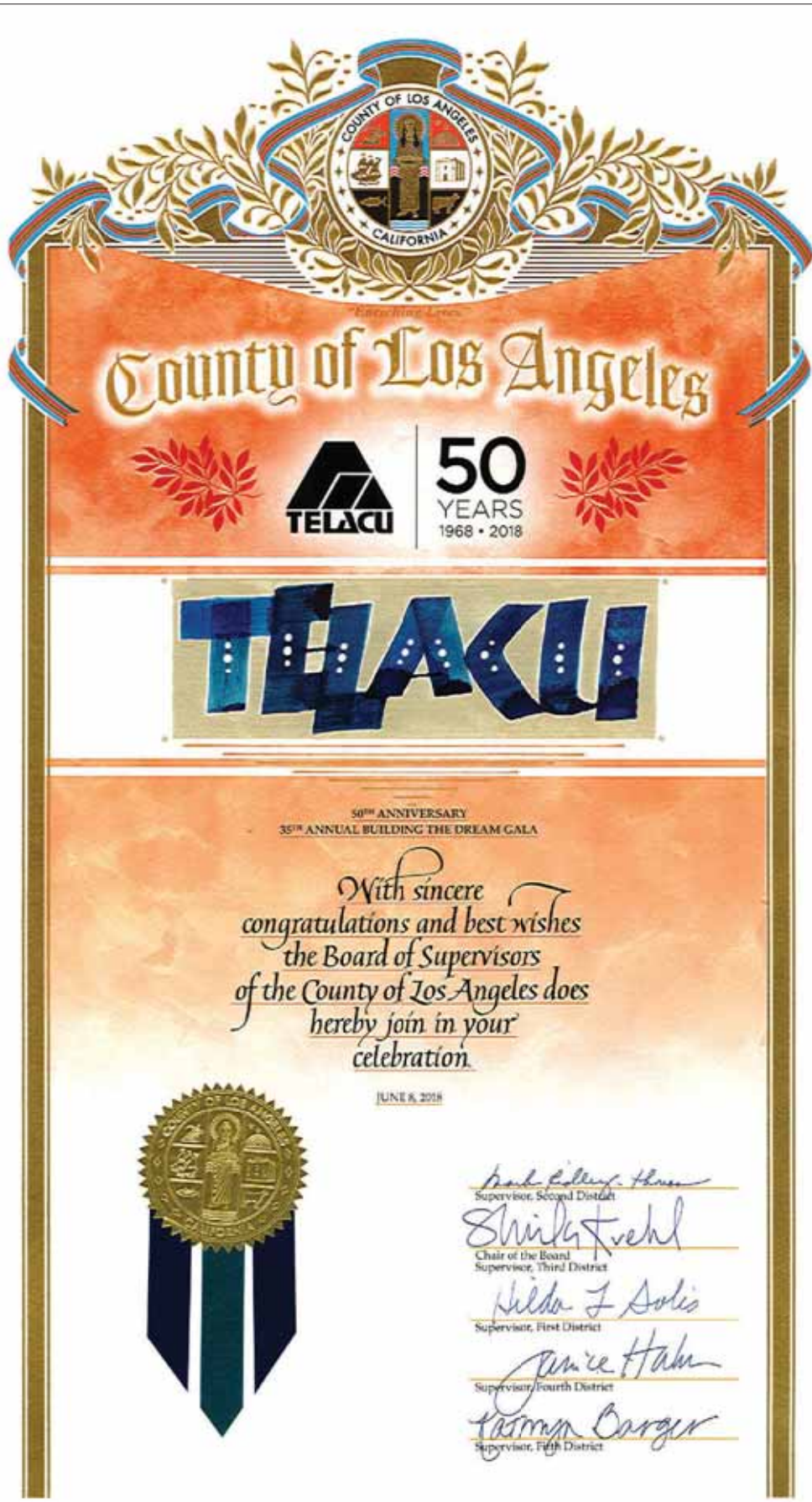
For 35 years, the TELACU Education Foundation has helped to eradicate barriers between underserved youth and higher education. Thanks to its generous financial, academic advisement, and career guidance resources, thousands of first-generation college students are positioned to reach their full potential. Today, TELACU Scholar alumni are engineers, business owners, teachers, and policymakers across the country who are inspiring the next generation to realize their dreams.

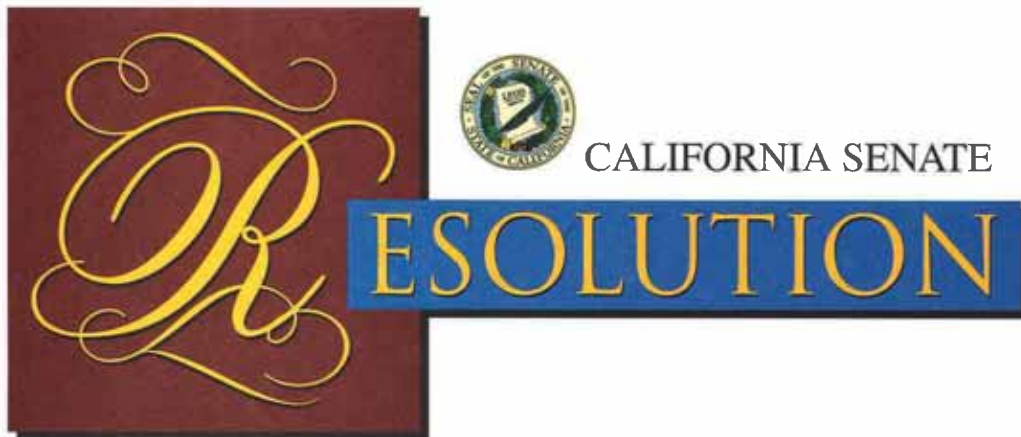
I would like to extend a special congratulations to the students who are being presented with scholarship awards tonight. Their dedication and perseverance showcases the best of the Angeleno spirit.

Best wishes for a memorable event and continued success.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI
Mayor





By the Honorable Kevin de León, 24th Senatorial District;
Relative to Commending

TELACU & the TELACU Education Foundation

WHEREAS, The year 2018 marks the fiftieth anniversary of TELACU, an auspicious milestone that will be celebrated in tandem with the thirty-fifth anniversary of the TELACU Education Foundation during its Building the Dream Gala on June 8, 2018, and in recognition thereof, TELACU and the TELACU Education Foundation are deserving of the highest commendations for their tireless commitment to advancing California's underserved communities; and

WHEREAS, Established in 1968 as a pioneering institution committed to service, empowerment, advancement, and the creation of self-sufficiency, TELACU has remained steadfast in its belief that providing tools to others in the form of jobs, access to capital for hardworking families and businesses, affordable housing for families and seniors, and community assets such as schools, industrial parks, infrastructure, and municipal facilities is the most effective means to empowering people to build a legacy for themselves and their families; and

WHEREAS, In an effort to shatter the significant barriers to academic and professional success often faced by the Latino population, whose members drop out of high school at persistently high rates with few prospects for economic mobility, with only 14.5 percent of Latinos over the age of 25 possessing a bachelor's degree and less than one-third of Latinos who enter college graduating, TELACU established the TELACU Education Foundation in 1983, and for the past 35 years, the Foundation has focused on empowering Latino youth from traditionally underserved communities, as well as veterans, to attain higher education and to succeed in the competitive, twenty-first century workplace; and

WHEREAS, In partnership with corporations, individuals, and a network of the nation's finest and most prestigious colleges and universities, the TELACU Education Foundation serves more than 2,000 first-generation students annually, providing not only the critical financial resources, but also the academic and career guidance and workforce preparation—including internship and employment opportunities—they need to progress from high school through graduate studies and into the workforce; and

WHEREAS, The TELACU Education Foundation and its network of committed partners have invested millions of dollars in thousands of deserving TELACU Scholars, who have built a legacy of success; historically, an outstanding 98 percent of high school students graduate, and almost without exception pursue postsecondary education, and 99 percent of college students attain at minimum a bachelor's degree, with a growing number pursuing graduate degrees; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY SENATOR KEVIN DE LEÓN, That, upon the occasion of TELACU's fiftieth anniversary and the TELACU Education Foundation's thirty-fifth anniversary, he recognizes June 8, 2018, as TELACU Scholar Day in the State of California as a tribute to the incredible commitment TELACU and the TELACU Education Foundation have demonstrated in their efforts to empower underserved individuals and communities.

Members Resolution No. 452
Dated this 8th day of June, 2018.

Honorable Kevin de León
24th Senatorial District

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

Assembly

RESOLUTION



By the Honorable Anthony Rendon
Speaker of the Assembly; Relative to commending

TELACU

WHEREAS, TELACU will mark two major milestones in the year 2018 with the celebration of its fiftieth anniversary and the thirty-fifth anniversary of the TELACU Education Foundation, both of which will be commemorated in tandem during the 35th Annual Building the Dream Gala on June 8, 2018, and as a tribute to TELACU's distinguished record of public service and immeasurable contributions to the advancement of communities in California and beyond, it is deserving of the highest commendations of the public; and

WHEREAS, Since its founding in 1968, TELACU (The East Los Angeles Community Union) has fueled social and economic development in Los Angeles through the creation of well-paying jobs, quality and affordable housing, responsive financial institutions, and educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, Latino students—the nation and State's largest and fastest-growing demographic—continue to face significant academic and salary gaps, as less than half of Latino students entering college enroll in a four-year institution and only 15 percent of Latinos age 25 to 29 hold a bachelor's degree or higher; and

WHEREAS, In 1983, TELACU established the TELACU Education Foundation in order to shatter barriers to academic and professional success for first-generation Latino youth from traditionally underserved communities, empowering them to attain higher education and to succeed in the competitive, twenty-first century workplace; and

WHEREAS, The TELACU Education Foundation has developed a dynamic model, the Continuum of Education, which annually serves more than 2,000 students in high school, college, and graduate studies, as well as veterans, and also addresses the community's growing need for nurses prepared to deliver culturally sensitive and competent in-language care; and

WHEREAS, Over the course of its 35-year history, the TELACU Education Foundation has supported thousands upon thousands of TELACU Scholars through a vital combination of four inseparable components: scholarships; academic leadership, personal, and professional development seminars; academic advisement and career guidance with an emphasis in workforce preparation; and giving back; and

WHEREAS, In partnership with corporations, individuals, and a network of some of the nation's finest and most prestigious colleges and universities, the TELACU Education Foundation has awarded millions of scholarship dollars to deserving students; and

WHEREAS, As a result of the TELACU Education Foundation's commitment, TELACU Scholars have built a legacy of success: 98 percent of high school students graduate, and almost without exception pursue postsecondary education, and 99 percent of college students attain at minimum a bachelor's degree—75 percent of which are in a business or STEM-related discipline—with a growing number pursuing graduate degrees; and

WHEREAS, For 50 years, TELACU has worked diligently to strengthen California communities by providing tools to others in the form of jobs, affordable housing, loans, new community assets, and educational opportunities through its TELACU Education Foundation, and it is indeed deserving of special praise and recognition for its commitment to empowering people to build a legacy for themselves and for their families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY SPEAKER OF THE ASSEMBLY ANTHONY RENDON, That he commends TELACU upon the occasion of its fiftieth anniversary and the TELACU Education Foundation upon the occasion of its thirty-fifth anniversary, recognizes June 8, 2018, as TELACU Scholar Day in the State of California as a tribute to TELACU's incredible legacy of success in empowering underserved individuals and communities, and extends his sincere best wishes for continued success in the future.

Members Resolution No. 710

Dated this 8th day of June, 2018

Honorable Anthony Rendon
Speaker of the Assembly





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CELEBRATING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EAST LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY UNION (TELACU) AND THE 35TH ANNUAL TELACU EDUCATION FOUNDATION "BUILDING THE DREAM" GALA

REP. LUCILLE ROYBAL-ALLARD

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate The East Los Angeles Community Union (TELACU), the nation's largest and oldest Community Development Corporation, on its 50th anniversary of making immeasurable contributions to traditionally disenfranchised communities, and the TELACU Education Foundation on its 35th annual "Building the Dream" Gala.

TELACU, which is based in my 40th Congressional District, was established as a pioneering institution in 1968, and was initially funded through federal legislation authored by Senators Robert F. Kennedy and Jacob K. Javits to revitalize urban and underserved communities throughout the United States. Over the years, TELACU has built many community assets, including industrial parks, schools, shopping centers, and municipal facilities. It has created well-paying jobs for local residents, developed quality and affordable homes for first-time homeowners, constructed beautiful residential complexes for families and senior citizens, and established responsive financial institutions to create access to capital for small business owners and hardworking families.

In 1983, TELACU created the TELACU Education Foundation in response to crisis-level dropout rates for Latino students in college. When the Foundation began, it served just fifteen first-generation college students. This year, as the Foundation marks its 35th anniversary, it has built a proud legacy of helping thousands of first-generation Latinos from underserved communities shatter barriers to academic and professional success.

Each year, TELACU's Continuum of Education—comprised of the College Readiness and College Success Programs—

helps more than 2,000 TELACU Scholars as they pursue their high school, college, and graduate studies. These programs offer Scholars critical financial resources and a comprehensive support system to help them achieve their educational and career goals.

Historically, approximately 98 percent of high school TELACU Scholars graduate, and almost all of them pursue higher education. More than 99 percent of college TELACU Scholars earn at least a Bachelor's degree, with an increasing number going on to seek advanced degrees.

TELACU Scholars are predominantly Latinos from some of the most economically depressed communities in Los Angeles. Our communities, our state, and our nation are all strengthened when these Scholars earn high school diplomas and college degrees. With TELACU's help, these graduates become independent, well-educated professionals and role models who inspire, empower, and invest in the next generation of Latino leaders.

Today, the TELACU Scholar Alumni network stretches all over the world. They are researchers and engineers, entrepreneurs and CEOs, educators and policy-makers. They are leaders who help to maintain the United States' promise as a place where immigrants can use their own talents to pursue their dreams.

Mr. Speaker, in recognition of the thousands of students, families, and communities that have been helped by TELACU, I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating TELACU on its 50th anniversary and the TELACU Education Foundation on its 35th anniversary. Let us also celebrate the remarkable TELACU Scholars honored at the Foundation's annual "Building the Dream" Gala. I wish TELACU and the TELACU Education Foundation the very best as it continues its mission of helping underserved communities pursue socioeconomic equity with the help of educational opportunities, community development, and economic empowerment.

VOICES OF LEADERSHIP



ATTORNEY GENERAL
Xavier Becerra
CALIFORNIA

On behalf of the California Department of Justice, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to TELACU's 50th Anniversary Celebration at the TELACU Education Foundation's 35th Annual *Building the Dream* Gala.

For the past 35 years, the TELACU Education Foundation has played a significant role in the educational and professional success of first-generation scholars. Through financial support, over 2,000 students each year are granted the opportunity to achieve academic excellence and become role models for their communities. I congratulate TELACU on their 50th anniversary and for pursuing a mission of addressing the social, educational and economic needs in our communities.

I am honored to receive tonight's "CREO" Award. I have dedicated my career in public service to fighting for hardworking families in our state and around the nation. We all benefit when we ensure that every young person in America can access a quality education. I will continue to champion causes that allow our young people to reach their potential and lead our country forward.



U.S. SENATOR
Dianne Feinstein
CALIFORNIA

As your United States Senator representing the State of California, I applaud the TELACU Education Foundation for its tremendous achievements and contributions. Through its services, it helps provide invaluable resources for those interested in pursuing

higher education. There is no doubt that its efforts will continue to benefit countless individuals and families for years to come.



U.S. SENATOR
Robert Menendez
NEW JERSEY

For half a century, TELACU has been making a difference in the lives of underserved communities...and has helped pave the way to success for thousands of Latino and Latina students and veterans. That is why supporting the *Building the Dream* Gala is so important. It

makes sure the necessary resources are available for a new generation of students through postsecondary education and helps build their future as highly skilled professionals. Helping Latino and Latina students overcome the social and economic barriers to getting an education is more critical today than ever before. From DREAMers to first-generation Latino-Americans, our community needs to be equipped with the knowledge and skills needed to meet the challenges of the 21st Century, as the largest minority group on college campuses.



U.S. CONGRESSMAN
Pete Aguilar
CALIFORNIA

For 35 years, the TELACU Education Foundation has been an incredible resource to help empower first-generation Latino students to find lasting success through education. I'm proud to support the powerful mission of this organization

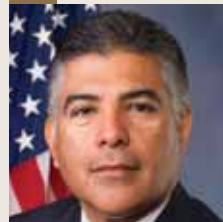
and to help create the next generation of leaders in our community. The hard work TELACU has put in over the years to lift up young Latinos has changed countless lives for the better, and played a major role in elevating people from disenfranchised communities into the middle class.



U.S. CONGRESSWOMAN
Nanette Díaz Barragán
CALIFORNIA

TELACU was established at a time when college was not within reach for many students of color. Latino communities in Los Angeles had no support system that mentored them into the pathway of college. Many students were labeled as people who

would become trade workers or that had no aspirations. TELACU came into these communities inspiring change from within. Through your organization you have helped countless students get into college and supported them through their education to ensure that they graduate. Half of the work is getting into college; the other half is graduating with a degree. I extend my deepest gratitude to your organization for continuing the long tradition of assisting these students. The impact that you have left on them will never be forgotten.



U.S. CONGRESSMAN
Tony Cárdenas
CALIFORNIA

It gives me great pleasure to congratulate TELACU on the occasion of your 50th Anniversary. The dedication and commitment you have for the community is evident in all your hard work towards bettering the lives of countless individuals

in the San Fernando Valley.

TELACU's Education Foundation has transformed educational outcomes for thousands of young first-generation students from underserved communities in their quest for academic achievement. As the son of immigrants and the first Hispanic to represent the Northeast San Fernando Valley in the United States Congress, I commend TELACU's efforts in shattering barriers to service, empowerment, and advancement faced by Latino youths who are our nation's largest and fastest-growing demographic. On behalf of California's 29th Congressional District, I congratulate the TELACU Education Foundation for all its achievements and unwavering dedication to students in our communities, who are the future of our country.



U.S. CONGRESSWOMAN
Judy Chu
CALIFORNIA

TELACU has now become the nation's largest Community Development Corporation and works to continue Senator Robert Kennedy's vision to help people living in underserved communities escape the cycle of poverty. I want to commend the TELACU Education Foundation for its work in achieving its mission to help individuals create better futures for their families. The Foundation's efforts will ensure that low-income students and veterans will have comprehensive services and financial resources to succeed as leaders academically and professionally.



U.S. CONGRESSMAN
J. Luis Correa
CALIFORNIA

The TELACU Education Foundation has improved the lives of thousands, many of which are first-generation Latino students, critical to the future of our communities. With the growing demand for community representation in our increasingly diverse nation, TELACU Alumni are pioneering engineers, healthcare professionals, advocates, elected officials and lawyers. On behalf of the people in the 46th Congressional District, I want to express my sincere congratulations and support for the work of the TELACU Education Foundation.



U.S. CONGRESSWOMAN
Grace Napolitano
CALIFORNIA

It is with great honor that I join TELACU in celebrating its 50th Anniversary and their 35th Annual *Building the Dream* Gala. Allow me to extend a warm welcome to all distinguished guests who support such an esteemed organization. I would like to acknowledge and commend TELACU for their vision and steadfast dedication to the community. TELACU has greatly impacted the lives of many students, aiding them on their journey to achieve academic and career success.



U.S. CONGRESSWOMAN
Lucille Roybal-Allard
CALIFORNIA

I commend the TELACU Education Foundation for their outstanding work and commitment to providing educational services and resources for our underserved Latino communities. Their commitment to empower and inspire low-income Latino youth to pursue their college and career dreams has helped mold a new generation of successful Latino leaders. TELACU's work positively impacts the lives of over 2,000 students and their families annually, and there is no doubt that their ongoing devotion will continue to make a difference in the years to come.



U.S. CONGRESSMAN
Edward R. Royce
CALIFORNIA

Since 1968, TELACU has made many great contributions to the community by providing the tools and opportunities necessary for community members to pave the way and build a legacy for not only themselves but their families as well. Their impeccable track record of community service is backed by their strong leadership and long history of civil service. I would like to recognize and congratulate Dr. David Lizárraga, Dr. Michael Lizárraga and the rest of the TELACU team for your many achievements over the years.



U.S. CONGRESSWOMAN
Linda T. Sánchez
CALIFORNIA

TELACU has worked tremendously to advance the betterment and opportunity of millions of first-generation students, as well as our country's resilient veterans. TELACU scholars are provided the resources to succeed both academically and professionally as leaders across all sectors of society to achieve the American Dream.

It is my distinct honor to offer my congratulations to TELACU board members, staff, scholars and this evening's honored guests. *¡Mis mejores deseos para un evento exitoso!*



U.S. CONGRESSMAN
Juan Vargas
CALIFORNIA

For decades, TELACU's commitment to service, empowerment, advancement, and the creation of self-sufficiency has been truly inspirational and will have lasting impact for years to come. I want to congratulate the young people being presented with scholarship awards. TELACU Scholars succeed as leaders across every sector of society. I applaud TELACU's dedication to them and the community.



SECRETARY OF STATE
Alex Padilla
CALIFORNIA

As we gather tonight to celebrate TELACU's 50th Anniversary at this year's 35th Annual *Building the Dream* Gala, we also want to recognize the TELACU Education Foundation's work in the community. From providing college scholarships to leadership and professional development, TELACU has been a committed force in the community supporting and empowering Latino youth. Congratulations on 50 years of service to the community!

VOICES OF LEADERSHIP



STATE TREASURER
John Chiang
CALIFORNIA

As the nation's oldest and largest Community Development Corporation, TELACU has led with vision and perseverance, organizing efforts to build a bright future for underserved individuals and families. Addressing multiple needs in our complex society, TELACU offers signature programs and comprehensive services that transform lives and build assets and community wealth. Through education, scholarships and opportunities, the TELACU Education Foundation offers hope and inspiration, and keeps the dream alive for thousands of Californians. I extend my gratitude to TELACU and the TELACU Education Foundation family for their tremendous service.



STATE SENATOR
Steven C. Bradford
CALIFORNIA

TELACU's dedication to providing tools in the form of jobs, affordable housing, loans, new community assets and scholarships is worthy of recognition. Additionally, the TELACU Education Foundation has transformed educational outcomes for thousands of first-generation students from under-resourced communities. The service you provide to the community is a noble pursuit and I applaud your efforts. Congratulations and thank you for working so diligently to enhance our community.



STATE SENATOR
Ricardo Lara
CALIFORNIA

The epitome of the American Dream, TELACU has made a great impact in our local community of Southern California. From providing workforce development for veterans to housing for seniors, TELACU continues to be a steadfast leader and a beacon of hope for thousands. TELACU is able to inspire and shape future generations of leaders. I thank you for your service to our community and look forward to many more years of successful programming and results driven investment in our local communities.



ASSEMBLYMAN
Chris R. Holden
CALIFORNIA

I would like to congratulate the TELACU Education Foundation for its phenomenal work in providing opportunities that educate and equip our youth, especially those in the Latino community. For over 30 years, the Foundation's work in advocacy, education and training in college readiness and success has empowered this generation to take steps toward pursuing higher education. Your leadership and outstanding commitment to ensure that access to education is obtainable regardless of economic background is commendable.



ASSEMBLYWOMAN
Eloise Gómez Reyes
CALIFORNIA

I am honored to join the community at large in congratulating TELACU for this extraordinary milestone in the service of others. I am also honored to stand with those whose lives you have changed through your years of service. You have been life-changers and hope deliverers. I understand the importance of supporting our seniors, low-income communities, and students through the services and resources that TELACU provides. I applaud TELACU for all of the life-changing work done here in the Inland Empire and throughout the Nation.



ASSEMBLYWOMAN
Blanca E. Rubio
CALIFORNIA

As a Member of the California State Legislature, and former teacher, I commend TELACU for their commitment to empowering the next generation of leaders. The long arm of support and immeasurable contributions which TELACU makes to our communities makes me proud to serve as a member of the Honorary Gala Committee for this momentous celebration. TELACU continually yields positive change within communities across the nation. The commitment of TELACU's Education Foundation to student success deserves the highest recognition.



ASSEMBLYMAN
Miguel Santiago
CALIFORNIA

I would like to thank the TELACU Education Foundation for hosting this significant event that recognizes and celebrates the accomplishments of the amazing young people the Foundation was created to empower. Also, this year we celebrate TELACU's 50th Anniversary. Since its inception in 1968, TELACU's Family of Companies have empowered communities with new homes and new jobs, revitalized neighborhoods and access to capital, and restored infrastructure and new community assets. I commend TELACU for its tremendous work, contributions, and dedication to providing people with the tools they need to become successful.



SUPERVISOR
Janice Hahn
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

It is my pleasure to welcome you to TELACU's 50th Anniversary Celebration at the TELACU Education Foundation's 35th Annual *Building the Dream* Gala. This wonderful event makes a positive impact in the lives of first-generation, low-income high school through graduate students, and those who have served in our nation's armed forces. Access to these much-needed programs would not be possible without the philanthropy and support of our business, government and community leaders. I congratulate all the brilliant TELACU Scholars who are being recognized here today. This award is a reflection of your ambition to thrive in your academic and professional careers.



COUNCIL PRESIDENT
Herb J. Wesson, Jr.
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

As President of the Los Angeles City Council, I am pleased to extend my congratulations to TELACU as they celebrate their 50th anniversary and my appreciation for hosting its annual *Building the Dream* Gala. Tonight's event celebrates the accomplishments of amazing young people. I commend TELACU's continued efforts to empower our young people by inspiring them to embrace their potential and direct their lives in a positive and rewarding direction.



COUNCILMAN
Jose Huizar
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

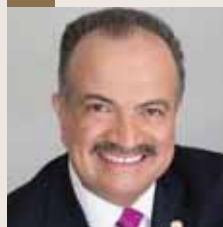
I join you in celebrating the 50th anniversary of TELACU and the incredible impact this seminal organization has made in our Latino communities. For more than three decades the TELACU Education Foundation has played a vital role in our community. By investing in and assisting thousands upon thousands of talented and deserving local students to attain high school diplomas and college degrees, the Foundation has empowered families to become more self-sufficient, boosted the local economy, and helped support the innovators, entrepreneurs and leaders Los Angeles and our nation need now and in the future. And by encouraging students to pursue STEM and Business degrees, as well as providing Workforce Preparedness, the Foundation's impact continues to grow exponentially.



BOARD PRESIDENT
Mónica García
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

As Board President of the LAUSD—and a TELACU Scholar Alumna myself—it is my great pleasure to join you in celebrating TELACU's 50th Anniversary as well as the TELACU Education Foundation's 35th Annual *Building the Dream* Gala.

For half a century, TELACU has been Building the Dream throughout Los Angeles by creating well-paying jobs for local residents; quality and affordable homes for first-time home buyers; safe and beautiful residential communities for our seniors; responsive financial institutions for hard working families and small businesses; and educational opportunities for our talented and deserving young people. Today, TELACU Alumni are excelling as leaders across all sectors of society and they are empowering the next generation to achieve the American Dream.



CHANCELLOR
Francisco Rodriguez
LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

The significance of TELACU and the TELACU Education Foundation is profound. Your commitment to higher education and to providing thousands of underserved members of the

Latino community with educational opportunities is a remarkable achievement. We thank you for your unwavering dedication and for your positive contributions to our community's well-being. We thank you for significantly advancing the hopes, dreams and accomplishments of the lives you have—and will—touch through your scholarships. LACCD is honored to stand with you tonight to recognize this important milestone and we look forward to working with you during your next 50 years. *iAdelante!*



Corporate Partners, Dignitaries and TELACU Scholars



"CREO" Award Recipient The Honorable Anthony Rendon, California State Assembly Speaker, with Chancellor Timothy P. White and Dr. David C. Lizárraga

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Purdue University-Krannert
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Eric Reed, Verizon

Dennis Arriola, Patti
Wagner, and Hal
and Liz Snyder of
SoCalGas with Dr.
Michael and Oneida
Lizárraga and Dr.
David C. Lizárraga

Lupita Sanchez-
Cornejo, AT&T



Dr. Michael and Oneida
Lizárraga, Larraine
and Dr. Clive Segil, and
Dr. David and Priscilla
Lizárraga

Paul Stephens and
Dr. Michael Lizárraga
perform "God Bless
America"

Congresswoman Judy
Chu with Dr. David and
Priscilla Lizárraga



Raul Bustillos
Bank of America

Sandy Walia, Wells Fargo

Dr. Michael Lizárraga,
Assemblyman Miguel
Santiago, Assembly-
woman Blanca Rubio,
Hon. Antonio Villaraigosa,
Patricia Govea, Priscilla
Lizárraga and Dr. David
C. Lizárraga



First Row: Beth Zachary, Adventist Health; Dennis Arriola, Sempra Energy; Lupita Sanchez-Cornejo, AT&T; Patricia Govea; Hon. Antonio Villaraigosa, Former Los Angeles City Mayor; Michelle Hadley, Purdue University-Krannert School of Management; Patti Wagner, SoCalGas; Michael D. Rouse, TELACU Education Foundation Advisory Board; Dr. Michael Lizárraga, TELACU; Priscilla Lizárraga, TELACU Industries; Dr. David C. Lizárraga, TELACU Education Foundation; Dr. John Raffoul, White Memorial Medical Center; Zafar Brooks, Hyundai; Assemblywoman Blanca Rubio; Peter Villegas, The Coca-Cola Company; Julius Robinson, Union Bank; Raul Bustillos, Bank of America; LACCD Board Member Scott Svonkin; LACCD Board Member Mike Fong; John Clem, TELACU Construction Management



Michael D. Rouse, representing Presenting Sponsor TOYOTA

Corporate Chair Lisa Deloney, representing Legacy Sponsor Citi

Drs. Michael Lizárraga and David C. Lizárraga with "CREO" Award Recipient Leticia Aguilar and fellow Union Bank executive Tim Wennes

Lupita Sanchez-Cornejo, Mike Silacci, Ken McNeely and Marc Blakeman AT&T

Brandon Ramirez Hyundai



Dr. Michael Lizárraga, Senator Tony Mendoza, CA Assembly Speaker Emeritus John Pérez, Assemblyman Miguel Santiago, Senator Richard Polanco (Ret.), Dr. David C. Lizárraga and Richard Montañez

Dr. Michael Lizárraga; Dr. Mildred Garcia, CSU Fullerton President; Oneida Lizárraga; Mitzi Barhorst; Ronito Cantina-Caballo, Chairman of the CSU Foundation; and Garrett Ashley, CSU Vice Chancellor

Dennis Arriola SoCalGas

Richard Montañez PepsiCo



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Melinda White Frontier Communications



State Controller John Chiang, Dr. David C. Lizárraga, Congresswoman Judy Chu, LACCD Board Member Mike Eng and Dr. Michael Lizárraga

Frank Woodbridge, PepsiCo

Honored Guest Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, Dr. David C. Lizárraga and Hon. Kevin de León

Chairman David C. Lizárraga and Gala Chair Michael D. Rouse, TOYOTA, present the "CREO" Award to Hon. Kevin de León, California Senate President pro Tem

Dr. Michael Lizárraga, Hon. Kevin de León, Dr. David C. Lizárraga, Priscilla Lizárraga, Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, Congressman Ed Royce and Council Member Gilbert A. Cedillo



Lisa Deloney represents Legacy Sponsor, Citi

Dr. John Raffoul represents Millennium Partner, White Memorial Medical Center

Gillian Wright and Neena Master, SoCalGas, with Drs. Michael Lizárraga and David C. Lizárraga and Assemblyman Miguel Santiago

Peter Villegas The Coca-Cola Company



Ambassador Gaddi Vasquez, Edison

Lupita Sanchez-Cornejo and Mike Silacci, AT&T

Raul Bustillos Bank of America

2014 Gala:
Gala Chair Michael D. Rouse, TOYOTA, and Dr. David C. Lizárraga present the "CREO" Award to CSU Chancellor Timothy P. White PhD

Michael D. Rouse, TOYOTA, and Dr. David C. Lizárraga present the "CREO" Award to SoCalGas President & CEO Dennis Arriola



2013 Gala:
Dr. David C. Lizárraga; Hon. Mónica García, LAUSD Board President & Decade One "CREO" Award Recipient; Gala Chair Michael D. Rouse, TOYOTA

Dr. David C. Lizárraga; Hon. Benjamin Cárdenas, Decade Two "CREO" Award Recipient; Priscilla Lizárraga

Dr. David C. Lizárraga; Angélica Gutiérrez, PhD, Decade Three "CREO" Award Recipient

2014 Gala:
Michael Lizárraga, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, Honorary Co-Chair, joins Gala immediately after LA Kings win the Stanley Cup

Millennium Partner White Memorial Medical Center represented by Beth Zachary



2013 Gala:
Corporate Chair Lisa Deloney, Citi

George Ramirez and Corporate Co-Chair Leticia Aguilar Union Bank



2013 Gala:
Lidia Martinez Southwest Airlines

Chris Hosford and Walter Rodriguez Hyundai

2014 Gala:
Paul Stephens and Dr. Michael Lizárraga perform National Anthem

2011 Gala: The Honorable Carol Liu, CA Senator, 21st District, accepts "CREO" Award on behalf of her husband, the Honorable Michael R. Peevey, President, CA Public Utilities Commission, from Dr. David C. Lizárraga and Catherine Sandoval, CA Public Utilities Commissioner

2011 Gala: Rod Spackman accepts "CREO" Award on behalf of Chevron Corporation from TOYOTA's Jerome Miller and Dr. David C. Lizárraga



2011 Gala:
Rod Spackman
Chevron

2011 Gala: Citibank's
Lisa Deloney caps off
the evening with
Dr. David and Michael
Lizárraga

2012 Gala:
Jonathan Weedman
Wells Fargo



2012 Gala:
TOYOTA's Michael D.
Rouse with Dr. David
C. Lizárraga, Priscilla
Lizárraga, and David
C. Lizárraga Fellows
Sponsored by TOYOTA

2011 Gala:
Leticia Aguilar
Union Bank



2012 Gala:
Dr. David C. Lizárraga;
Julia Perez, "CREO"
Award Recipient;
Michael Lizárraga

2012 Gala:
Ambassador
Gaddi Vasquez
Edison

2009 Gala: Mónica García, Board President, Los Angeles Unified School District, is presented the "CREO" Award by TOYOTA's Irv Miller; Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, City of Los Angeles; and Dr. David C. Lizárraga



2009 Gala: CA State Senator Gil Cedillo is presented the "CREO" Award by Citi's Rebecca Macieira-Kaufmann and Dr. David C. Lizárraga

2009 Gala: Dream Builder Award Recipients Julio & Grace Negrete

2010 Gala: Michael D. Rouse receives the "CREO" Award on behalf of TOYOTA from Dr. David C. Lizárraga and Kristie Hernandez, 2010-2011 Lizárraga Fellow, Sponsored by TOYOTA



2010 Gala: Hon. Yolie Flores receives the "CREO" Award from Dr. David C. Lizárraga and Jamie Zamora, 2009-2010 Lizárraga Fellow, Sponsored by TOYOTA



2009 Gala: Scholars and sponsors gather on stage



2008 Gala: Michael Lizárraga, TELACU Industries President & CEO, and Dr. David C. Lizárraga, TEF Chairman & Founder, and Priscilla Lizárraga, Event Chair, pay tribute to past "CREO" Award Recipients

2008 Gala: Back Row: Richard Alatorre, Former LA City Council Member; Rocky Delgadillo, LA City Attorney. Front Row: Beth Zachary, President & CEO, White Memorial Medical Center; Antonio Villaraigosa, LA City Mayor; Dr. David C. Lizárraga

2008 Gala: Lisa Barrett, Citibank Southwest Division President, and Irv Miller, TOYOTA Motor Sales USA Group Vice President, Corporate Communications



2007 Gala: Lisa Barrett presents Citi check for \$400,000

2008 Gala: Previous "CREO" Award Recipient, Tom Harkin, U.S. Senator, and Dr. David C. Lizárraga

2007 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipient Steven Barr, Green Dot Public Schools; Lisa Barrett; Dr. David C. Lizárraga; Harris Luu accepts "CREO" Award on behalf of Oscar De La Hoya Ánimo Charter High School

2007 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipient Fabian Núñez, CA Assembly Speaker; TOYOTA's Irv Miller; Dr. David C. Lizárraga



2006 TELACU Scholars



2006 Gala: Priscilla Lizárraga, Event Chair; U.S. Congressman Joe Baca; Dr. David C. Lizárraga, TEF Chairman & Founder; U.S. Congressman Howard P. "Buck" McKeon; Michael Lizárraga, President & CEO, TELACU Industries

2006 Gala: Cali Garcia-Velez, President, Citibank West FSB; Lisa Barrett, Citibank



2005 Gala: Mary Anne Chern, Charitable Foundation President, White Memorial Medical Center; David C. Lizárraga

2006 Gala: Honorary Gala Committee Members LA City Council Member José L. Huizar; CA State Senator Gil A. Cedillo; LA City Council Member Janice Hahn; CA State Senator Richard Alarcon

2005 Gala: David C. Lizárraga; "CREO" Award Recipient Ken Salazar, U.S. Senator; Congressman Joe Baca

2005 Gala: David C. Lizárraga; "CREO" Award Recipient Anna Escobedo Cabral, U.S. Treasurer; CA State Senator Richard Polanco (Ret.)



2004 Gala: U.S. Congressman Joe Baca; Corporate "CREO" Award Recipient Jorge Delgado, General Manager, Univision, Channel 34; David C. Lizárraga

2004 Gala: David C. Lizárraga, TEF Chairman & Founder; LA City Mayor James Hahn; Michael D. Weitzman, President, Citibank West; Michael Lizárraga, TELACU Industries President & CEO; U.S. Congressman Joe Baca



2003 Gala: (L-R) First Row: Priscilla Lizárraga, Event Chair; TELACU Board Member Jay Candelaria and Mrs. Jay Candelaria; Richard Polanco, CA State Senator (Ret.); Lt. Governor Cruz Bustamante; "CREO" Award Recipient Marco A. Firebaugh, CA Assembly Majority Leader; David C. Lizárraga; Honorary Gala Chairwoman Lucille Roybal-Allard, U.S. Congresswoman; Michael Lizárraga; Sil Gonzales, President, Casa de Gonzales Chrysler Jeep; U.S. Congressman Ed Royce



2004 Gala: David C. Lizárraga; U.S. Congressman Ed Royce receives the "CREO" Award on behalf of U.S. Congressman Michael Oxley

2003 Gala: David C. Lizárraga; "CREO" Award Recipient Marco A. Firebaugh, TELACU Alumnus; U.S. Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard

2003 Gala: Corporate "CREO" Award Recipient Michael D. Weitzman, Citi; Honorary Co-Chair Cruz Bustamante

2003 Gala: Corporate Co-Chair Rudy Beserra, Vice President, Latin Affairs, Coca-Cola Co.; David C. Lizárraga; Peter Villegas, First Vice President, Washington Mutual





2000 Gala:
David C. Lizárraga;
Christina Aguilera;
Benefactor
Rudy Beserra,
representing The
Coca-Cola Company



2001 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipient
Roderick Paige, U.S. Secretary of
Education; Michael Lizárraga, President &
CEO, TELACU Industries



2001 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipient
Frank Quevedo, Vice President, Southern
California Edison; Priscilla Lizárraga, Event
Chair; David C. Lizárraga, TEF Chairman
& Founder; "CREO" Award Recipient
Martha Escutia, CA State Senator;
"CREO" Award Recipient Hector Barreto,
SBA Administrator

2000 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipient Tom
Harkin, U.S. Senator; David C. Lizárraga;
Senator Martha Escutia



1999 Gala: Gala Chairman
Cruz Bustamante, CA Lt.
Governor; Rudy Beserra;
David C. Lizárraga

1999 Gala: "CREO" Award
Recipient Ruben Zacarias,
LAUSD Superintendent;
Priscilla Lizárraga



1999 Gala: "CREO"
Award Recipient Antonio
Villaraigosa, CA State
Assembly Speaker;
Lizárraga Family

2000 Gala: "CREO"
Award Recipient Louis
Caldera, U.S. Secretary of
the Army; Senator Martha
Escutia





1998 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipients
 Esteban Torres, U.S. Congressman, and Mrs. Arcy Torres; TELACU Board Member Dolores Carrillo; Joe & Blanca Gonzalez; Gala Chairman Antonio Villaraigosa, CA State Assembly Speaker

1998 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipient Lt. Governor Cruz Bustamante; Honorary Gala Co-Chair Richard Polanco, CA State Senate Majority Leader

1998 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipient Marty Martinez, U.S. Congressman; David C. Lizárraga, TEF Chairman & Founder



1997 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipients
 Senator Richard Polanco and Richard W. Riley, U.S. Secretary of Education; David C. Lizárraga

1995 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipients
 Jack Kemp, Co-Director, Empower America; Herminio Blanco, Mexico Secretary of Commerce; Ronald H. Brown, U.S. Secretary of Commerce

1996 Gala: Gala Chairman Senator Richard Polanco; "CREO" Award Recipient Reed E. Hundt, FCC Chairman; David C. Lizárraga; Councilman Richard Alatorre

1993 Gala:
 Councilman Richard Alatorre; "CREO" Award Recipient David C. Lizárraga on the occasion of TELACU's 25th Anniversary

1995 Gala: "CREO" Award Recipient Ronald H. Brown, U.S. Secretary of Commerce; David C. Lizárraga



1994 Gala: LA City Councilman Richard Alatorre; "CREO" Award Recipient Richard Riordan, LA City Mayor; David C. Lizárraga; TELACU Special Award Recipients

1993 Gala: David C. Lizárraga; Mike Roos, CA State Assemblyman; Martha Escutia, CA State Assemblywoman; "CREO" Award Recipient Richard Alatorre, LA City Councilman

COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES

Over the past 35 years, TELACU Scholars have graduated from some of the most selective and prestigious colleges and universities across our nation. As a result of partnerships developed with some of these outstanding institutions, funds invested by our network of corporate partners are matched on a 1:1, 2:1 and even 3:1 basis. Our shared commitment is to ensure that increasing numbers of first-generation Latinos earn their college degree. Below is a partial list of our Scholars' alma maters.

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President

ADDITIONAL SCHOLAR ALMA MATERS

ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

BROWN UNIVERSITY

CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

CAL POLY SAN LUIS OBISPO

CSU CHANNEL ISLANDS

CSU CHICO

CSU SAN MARCOS

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

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DUKE UNIVERSITY

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WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN

For 35 years, it has been our honor to serve the community with resources that empower educational attainment and professional success. We are so incredibly proud of our high school, college and graduate students; veterans and nursing school students; and decades' worth of Alumni who all continue to grow and thrive as powerful representatives for their peers, families and all the generations yet to come.

We started the Foundation to systemically close educational and professional gaps for first-generation students from underserved communities. Beginning with just 15 students, we have more than exceeded our hopes and dreams of serving tens of thousands! We are humbled beyond measure to be called mentors and friends by the phenomenal students who have allowed us a voice in their lives—who honor us by calling us *familia*.

I would like to acknowledge and thank our Board of Directors, Advisory Board and Staff whose advocacy and dedication empower our TELACU Scholars to achieve their dreams, whose work propels our entire community, this Great State, and our nation forward. *For everywhere we look, there is work to be done.* And I am honored to continue that work alongside each and every one of these outstanding individuals!

COLLEGE SUCCESS PROGRAM

Stephanie “Stevie” Lizárraga
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Kiki Lizárraga
Assistant Director

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HEALTH CAREERS PROGRAM

Lilian Gonzalez
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Ana Zavala
Educational Advisor

Candace Ortiz
Educational Advisor

Evelyn Martinez
Educational Advisor

Frankie Cisneros
Educational Advisor

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Educational Advisor

Nathalie Ordaz
Educational Advisor

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Educational Advisor

Mindy Natividad
Administrative Assistant

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Project Director

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Lucy Diep
Project Advisor II

Mayra Aguiluz
Project Advisor II

Cynthia Gonzalez
Project Advisor I

Juan Carlos Gomez
Project Advisor I

VETERANS UPWARD BOUND

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Project Director

Dianne Mendez
Administrative Assistant

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CONTINUUM OF SUCCESS

HIGH SCHOOL



ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ
Esteban E. Torres High School
East Los Angeles Renaissance
Academy

*Bachelor's in Biology
Candidate*
UC Santa Barbara

Anthony's determination transformed adversity into success. Despite complex medical issues and his family's housing displacement throughout this last academic year, he is graduating with a 3.84 GPA.

While excelling academically, he also completed Terrorism and Personal Safety Training and earned several awards, including 1st place in the Gridlock competition at Metro. As a UCSB Gaucho he will explore how to maximize his degree and fulfill his personal mission to help children suffering from medical conditions lead happy, healthy lives.

COLLEGE

ESMERALDA CERVANTES, BS
Computer Science
University of Notre Dame



Esmeralda is passionate about inciting interest in STEM—specifically in young, minority students.

Immersed in campus activities, she served as Research Assistant for the University's Institute of Latino Studies and, most recently, for Professor Ronald Metoyer in the College of Engineering. She rounded out her Senior year as Chapter President of the Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE) and Advising Fellow of the Notre Dame Matriculate Chapter, where she mentored high-achieving, low-income high school students. She will begin her professional career as a software engineer at Capital One.

JEOVANNY REYES, BS
Electrical Engineering
CSU Los Angeles



Jeovanny aspires to become a leader in aerospace engineering as well as in the Hispanic community.

Internships with Raytheon and Northrop Grumman equipped him with invaluable experience as he supported integration of the AIM-9X "Sidewinder" missile onto various host platforms and worked on Guidance, Navigation and Control (GNC) systems. Recipient of multiple prestigious scholarships, including ones from Edison and Boeing, he is now a Systems Engineer at Northrop Grumman. His ultimate goal is to advance space exploration through the launching of autonomous systems—and we have no doubt that his future will reach the stratosphere!

POST-GRAD



STEVEN CESAR ALMAZAN MPP, M.Ed.

UC Berkeley-Goldman School of Public Policy
M.Ed., Special Education
Loyola Marymount University
BA, Communication and Psychology
University of Southern California

Steven is committed to shattering systemic injustices that prevent students of color from achieving success.

He advocated for the School Climate Bill of Rights—an LAUSD resolution that guaranteed a safe, high-quality school with an appropriate learning environment for all students—and has championed educational access for all as a teacher and fellow with organizations like Education Pioneers, Teach Plus, and Angelenos Organizing 4 Education.

As one of the youngest elected officials in Los Angeles, for two years he impacted public policy as Outreach Chair and Community Seat Member on the Boyle Heights Neighborhood Council.

Now, having earned his Master's from the number-one-ranked public policy school in the nation, he will support the creation and implementation of teacher-led policy as Managing Director of External Affairs at Educators for Excellence.



NICHOLAS GARCIA, JD
University of Southern California-Gould School of Law
BA, Communication
UC San Diego

Nicholas' passion and drive to reach his goals were instilled in him by his parents' steadfast belief in the power of hard work and a good education.

As an undergrad, he mentored young Latino students with *La Clase Magica* while also keeping his own grades up as a member of the Phi Sigma Theta National Honor Society; at USC he served as Research Assistant for the Vice Dean of the Law School and Editor in Chief of the Business Law Advisor. After interning for criminal defense attorneys, he went on to pass the Bar on his first attempt, and he now works as a Deputy Attorney for the City of Torrance where he protects and supports marginalized individuals, ensuring that justice remains the order of the day.

HEALTH CAREERS PROGRAM

LIZETH INIGUEZ, ADN

Rio Hondo College

Bachelor's in Nursing
Candidate
Azusa Pacific University



Lizeth is proud of “breaking boundaries that people told her she couldn’t.” One of 13 siblings, she is the first to pursue and to attain a college degree!

This September she is excited to join the Adventist Health White Memorial team and to begin classes at Azusa Pacific University in pursuit of her Bachelor's. Her long-term goals include earning a doctorate, becoming a Nurse Practitioner, and raising awareness of diabetes and hypertension, two of the most pervasive diseases impacting the Hispanic community.

VETERANS PROGRAM

MARTIN HERRERA
Social and Behavioral
Sciences Major
Pasadena City College



Martin's excellent test scores, dedication to the Program and spirit of support for his fellow vets earned him recognition as Scholar of the Quarter from Veterans Upward Bound.

He is continuing his academic career at Pasadena City College and plans to blend an education in Social and Behavioral Sciences with his military background, dedicating his professional career to the continued support of our nation's brave veterans.

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STEVEN ALMAZAN, MPP, M.Ed.
 UC Berkeley
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M.Ed., Special Education
 Loyola Marymount University
BA, Communication and Psychology
 University of Southern California

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AURORA ANAYA-CERDA, MS

Social Entrepreneurship
 University of Southern California
 Marshall School of Business
BA, History and Chicano(a) Studies
 UC Los Angeles

An avid reader since childhood, Aurora believed that authors of color deserved more than one cramped shelf, they deserved an entire bookstore. After immersing herself in the industry and successfully crowdfunding the startup capital, in 2012 she launched La Casa Azul Bookstore in East Harlem, New York. Through focused cultural and community partnerships, this literary hub provided a platform for artists and advocates alike, creating a community transcending ethnic, gender and socio-economic background. She now hopes to open a home for the literary and visual arts here, on the west coast, to serve her hometown of Boyle Heights!



RODOLFO ISAAC BARRANCO ROJAS, BS
PhD Candidate in Mechanical Engineering
 UC Los Angeles
BS, Mechanical Engineering
 UC Los Angeles

Rodolfo's story is one of perseverance. He and his family immigrated to the U.S. when he was 12 years old. Unable to speak English, school was difficult, and he would spend his breaks and lunchtime reading in the library to catch up to his peers. He not only caught up, he surpassed them, graduating with a 4.2 GPA and gaining admission to UCLA's highly competitive PhD Program. Despite this success, as an undocumented student, he didn't qualify for most financial assistance and couldn't even apply for a driver's license, so he had to commute 2 hours each way on the bus just to get to class. Still, he found a way to make use of that time by recording all of his lectures and listening to them on the ride. Now, he is a standout student and has even returned to his alma mater to help prepare high school students for college-level math classes. Along his educational journey he also completed internships in the Active Materials Lab at UCLA, and the Mechatronics and Embedded Systems Lab at UC Merced, in addition to leading his AISES Rocket Project Team to a 2nd place finish at the 2016 National Tribal College Competition sponsored by NASA.

GABRIELA CORTES, BS

MPA Candidate
 CSU Long Beach
BS, Business Administration and Human Resources Management
 CSU Los Angeles

A graduate of TELACU's College Success Program, Gabriela is one of a growing number of TELACU Scholar Alumni pursuing advanced degrees. A future Public Administrator with a goal of working in local government, specifically in Performance Management and Budget Administration, she is gaining invaluable experience as an intern in the City of Los Angeles Personnel Department's Budget and Fiscal Operations Section. Grateful for the support she received as a TELACU Scholar, which enabled her to focus on her studies and achieve high grades, she is passionate about mentoring first-generation college students like herself.



**JOSUE ENRIQUEZ, MS, PE***MBA Candidate*

UC Los Angeles

Anderson School of Management

BS and MS, Civil Engineering

University of Southern California

Josue was deeply affected by the 1992 LA Riots. Not only did he experience them firsthand, but for years he also felt repercussions from the fallout ripple through his community. He became a civil engineer to empower underrepresented communities to reinvent themselves and become self-sustaining, even traveling as far as Honduras with Engineers Without Borders to increase the potable water available to children in Corral de Piedras. He also joined the Riordan Programs, raising more than \$10,000 in scholarship funding and exposed high schoolers to higher education, leadership development and business through the Saturday Business Institute. Having spent more than five years with Arup—the international design firm ranked #14 in the world—he plans to merge his experience with a solid foundation in business to establish an angel investment firm that cultivates the spirit of innovation and entrepreneurship in his community.

ZUHEY ESPINOZA, MA*Doctoral (EdD) Candidate in**Educational Leadership*

UC Los Angeles

MA, Public and International Affairs

University of Ottawa

BA, Humanities/English; Chicano Studies Minor

Loyola Marymount University

One of an extended family of 30, Zuhey's graduation from college was not an expectation, but rather an exception—an unfortunate fact she is committed to changing. She participated in TELACU Programs throughout high school and her undergraduate career before travelling abroad to teach English in Taiwan, conduct research in Mexico City, and study in China, Canada and Sweden. Now back in the States, she is the Director of Policy and Government Relations at CSU Los Angeles, where she lobbies for access and resources at the local, state and federal levels. She has also helped secure \$4 million in federal funding for LA BioSpace—a life science business incubator spurring economic development in the heart of East Los Angeles. With an ultimate goal of eradicating inequality through higher education policy, she hopes to become the youngest Latina CSU President in history!

**ROSIO FLORES, JD**

Southwestern Law School

BA, Political Science

UC San Diego

Just three short years ago, a law degree seemed out of reach for Rosio. The daughter of Mexican immigrants and a single mother herself, she had a good job, but still struggled to make ends meet. Taking a leap of faith, she and her daughter moved in with her parents so that she could continue her education and see where it would lead. Despite undertaking a grueling 2-hour commute each way, she earned a 4.2 GPA, served as Editor-in-Chief of the Southwestern Law Review, and graduated in the top 1% of her class—and, somehow, she still found time to extern for the Honorable Harry Pregerson of the Ninth Circuit! This summer, she will be taking the California Bar and in the fall she will join the international law firm of Sheppard Mullin as an Associate.

LORENA GONZALEZ, MPH

UC Los Angeles

Fielding School of Public Health

BS, Cognitive Science

UC San Diego

Constantly searching for new ways to improve the lives of others, Lorena founded the "Let's Walk/Run Together!" event in response to an article that listed the children of Huntington Park as the most obese and overweight in California. The goal was to promote awareness of this alarming statistic and empower families to lead healthier lifestyles. Since then, she has delved further into the issue of childhood obesity with UCLA's Project SHAPE, as well as by promoting safety and walking with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health's Step by Step Pedestrian Plan Project. Now that she is armed with an MPH, she is sure to become an even more effective advocate of eliminating health disparities.



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STEPHANIE HARO, BS

*PhD Candidate in Speech and Hearing
Bioscience and Technology
Harvard University Graduate School of Arts
and Sciences-Division of Medical Sciences
BS, Electrical Engineering
Brown University*

Though her initial transition to college across the country was challenging, Stephanie soon acclimated and began thriving. Engaging in graduate level coursework while still an undergrad, her studies focused on digital signal processing and medical imaging techniques. She also worked on research including development of an automatic infant pain cry detection system for hospitals and a biologically-inspired bat sonar model. Recognizing that she could challenge the perception of minorities and women in engineering, she worked diligently to be the best and most prepared Electrical Engineering and Computer Science TA at both MIT and Brown.

This is an impressive CV for anyone, especially for a first-generation Latina from Boyle Heights! With a promising future in auditory biomedical engineering and teaching, she is pursuing her PhD at one of the most respected universities in the world—Harvard—and has begun research to develop neurally integrated hearing aid technology at MIT Lincoln Labs.



SAMANTHA MELERO, MA

*Information Systems
CSU Fullerton
BA, Business Administration
Concentration in Finance
CSU Fullerton*

As a TELACU Scholar throughout her undergraduate career, Samantha harnessed her dedication and excellent time-management skills to balance a full course load with a 20-30 hour work week and an active volunteer schedule—and she still graduated a year early! She is currently working for the City of Los Angeles, collecting data and learning to program systems used by analysts. Committed to advancing her community, she will employ her Master's as an analyst for the City, creating efficient budgets that improve the quality of life for all Angelenos.

BIANCA LIZARRAGA, BS

*MPH and Medical Degree Candidate
UC Los Angeles
David Geffen School of Medicine
BS, Psychobiology, UC Los Angeles*

A participant in TELACU's *Continuum of Education* since 9th grade, Bianca is now in her final year of UCLA's highly competitive dual-degree PRIME program, which integrates medical education, health disparity courses, community projects and a Master's degree. In addition to her studies, she is currently working on two research projects: one with the Los Angeles Department of Public Health focused on hypertension and blood pressure guidelines for the American Heart Association, and another with the UCLA Hotspotter Program developing a cost-effective system to care for high-utilizing patients.

Dedicated to service and empowerment, she works as a counselor for pre-medical undergraduate students and is Senior Mentor for the UCLA First-Generation Medical Student Organization—and now she is going global! After months of planning and fundraising, this summer she will travel to a rural village in Mussotte, Haiti as part of a week-long health fair which will provide desperately needed services such as blood pressure and glucose screenings, gynecological exams and medicine to an anticipated 1,000 patients.



JACQUELINE MOURRA, MSN

*UC Los Angeles
School of Nursing
BS, Public Health Education
CSU Northridge*

Jacqueline is truly the embodiment of self-sufficiency. She worked multiple jobs to support herself through college while also seeking the advice and mentorship of successful professionals at every opportunity. Through her work with CSUN's TAKE, LA Biomed Research, and Cedars-Sinai's COACH for Kids, as well as her rounds at the UCLA Medical Center, she developed a holistic approach to health care that focuses on education and prevention through compassionate, in-language care. She is now seeking a nursing position in a neonatal intensive care unit to help provide a stable foundation for children who begin life with a rocky start.



**JENNIFER PERDOMO, BS**

Medical Degree Candidate
University of Southern California
Keck School of Medicine
BS, Biology
Mount St. Mary's University

Jennifer's education and community clinic experience through the Keck Primary Care Program are preparing her to become a health care leader in underserved communities. Committed to inspiring the next generation, she served as Co-Chair of USC's Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA) where she mentored undergraduate students and, through its *Educación Primero* Program, exposed Latino elementary school students to careers in the medical field. Currently, as she is studying for boards and preparing to transition to her clinical rotations, she is working with her research team to publish their findings regarding perceived barriers and potential solutions to medication adherence in Latino patients with diabetes.

LUIS QUIÑONEZ, MBA

Marketing and Strategy
University of Michigan
Ross School of Business
BA, Political Science
UC Los Angeles

Having grown up in Section 8 housing surrounded by gang violence and drug abuse, Luis is passionate about community revitalization, specifically through affordable housing, access to education and financial literacy. After completing internships with the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute and Justice Corps as well as a California State Fellowship, he was hired by Assemblyman Gil Cedillo and promoted to Legislative Director just two years later. There, he worked on passage of the California Dream Act and the Drivers' License Bill—legislation that secured \$65M annually to aid thousands of low-income and undocumented college students and enabled DREAMERS to apply for driver's licenses, respectively.

**AARÓN RUVALCABA, BA**

MBA Candidate
Purdue University
Krannert School of Management
BA, Political Economy
UC Berkeley

Combining his interests in social impact and Edtech, Aaron's goal is to democratize access to education through on-demand access to individualized supportive services. By establishing a mobile technology platform that provides customized mentorship, guidance and advisement products that integrate seamlessly into students' curriculum, he hopes to create engaging experiences that guide students from middle school all the way through college and even grad school. Already, he has taught English to students in Ho Chi Minh City, Taiwan as well as Spanish to his students at John Marshall High, gaining valuable knowledge that will help him better understand the learning process.

MANUEL VALDEZ, BA

Master of Construction Management Candidate
University of Southern California
Viterbi School of Engineering
BA, Architecture
UC Berkeley

Manuel's passion for developing and optimizing infrastructure for marginalized communities stems from his family's own struggles. They weren't able to apply for Section 8 Housing until he learned English well enough to help his parents fill out the application! Now, he plans to incorporate his education in architecture and construction with his professional experiences at In Studio Architecture, Building Healthy Communities, CalAtlantic Homes and Clark Construction to create dynamic and sustainable urban ecosystems.

**ROXXETTE LEZLY ZEPEDA, BS**

Master of Nursing Candidate
UC Los Angeles
BS, Public Health, CSU Northridge

Roxxette's ultimate goal is to become a NICU nurse and researcher to care for the world's tiniest patients and help prevent infants from developing critical diseases before birth. A proponent of higher education, she is also writing a resource book, *"Si Se Puede Ir Al Colegio"*, to help Latinos navigate the educational system in the United States and attain college degrees. She is an active member of Global Action in Nursing (GAIN)—an open forum for the UCLA nursing community to enhance knowledge and participation in global health—as well as an Educational Opportunity Programs Peer Mentor for incoming freshmen at CSU Northridge.

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"I'm the first in my family, on both sides, to pursue and achieve a STEM degree. I'm also the first to go to graduate school!"

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"My dream is to work at NASA or SpaceX designing new technologies that will go out into space."

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“My dream is to increase crop cultivation in locations that lack the ability for high crop yield in order to provide more sustainable food sources for impoverished people.”

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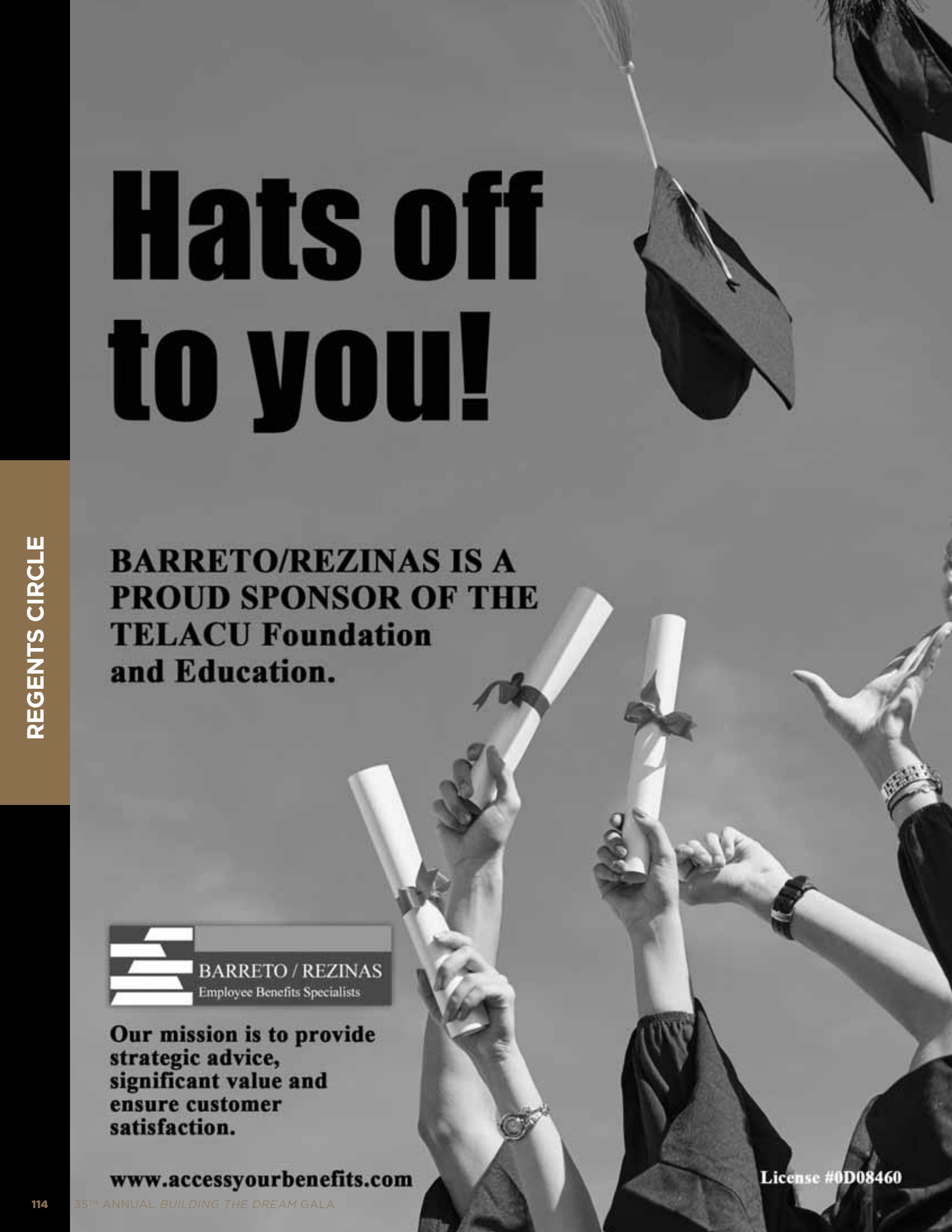
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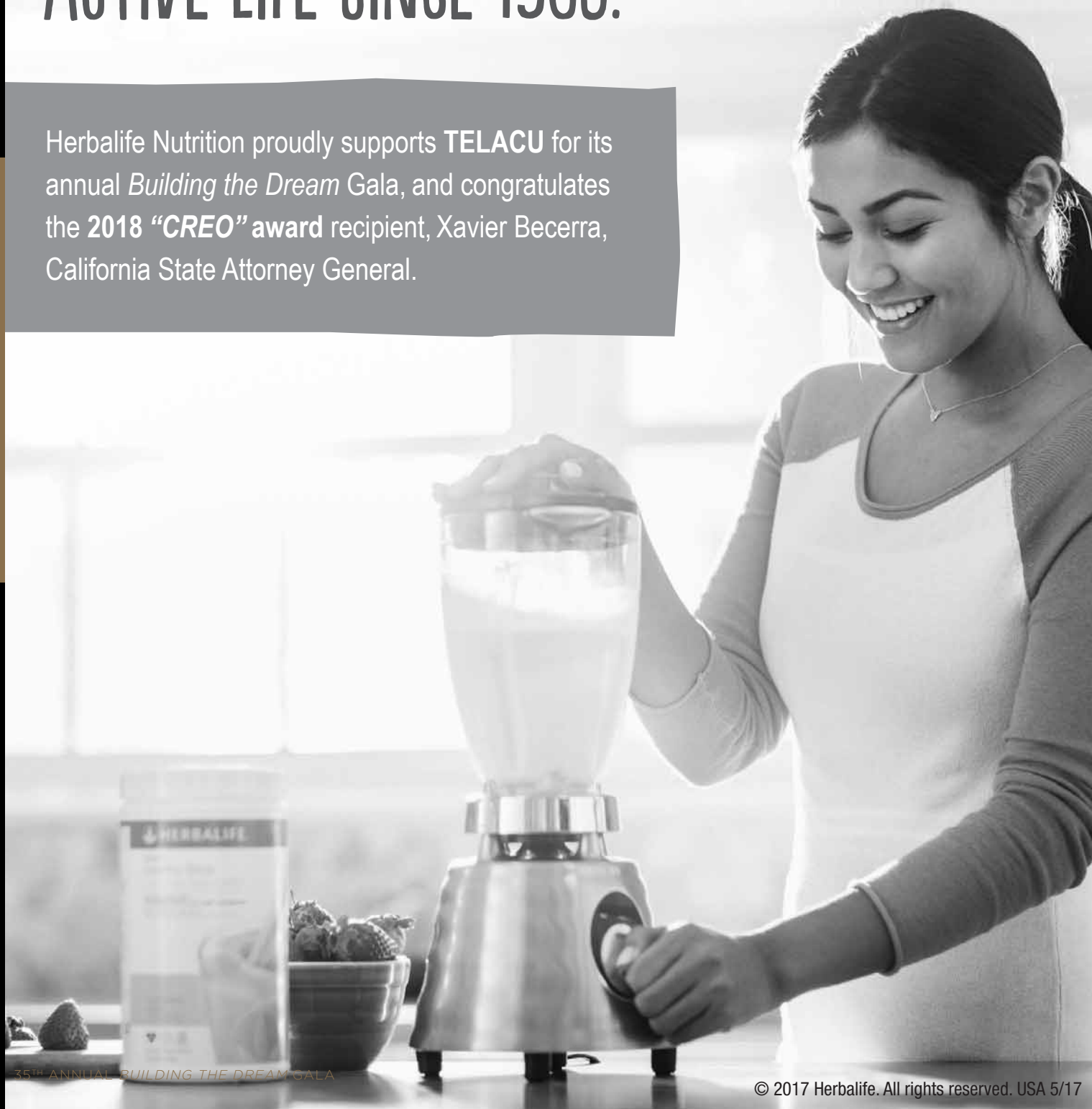




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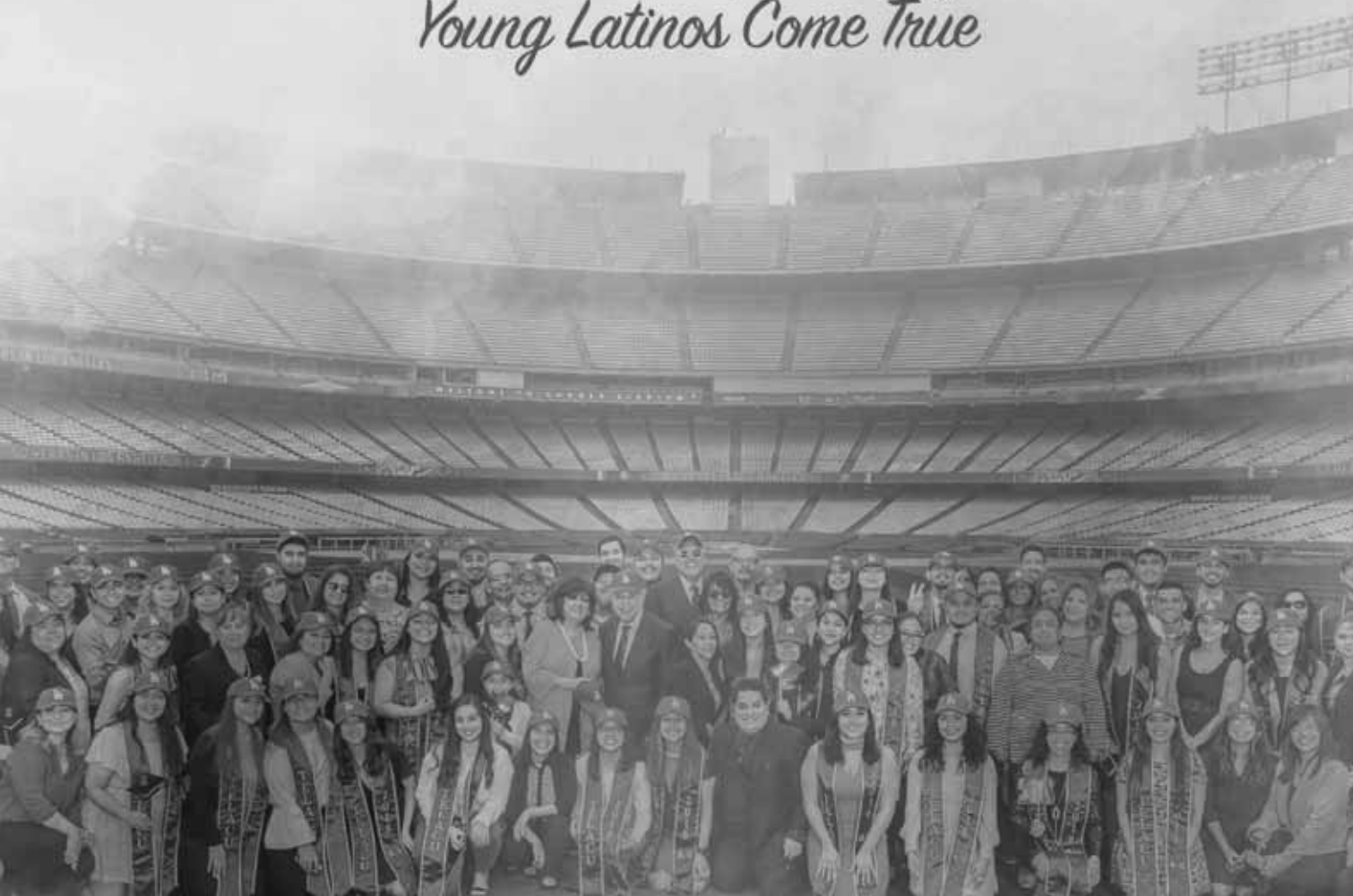




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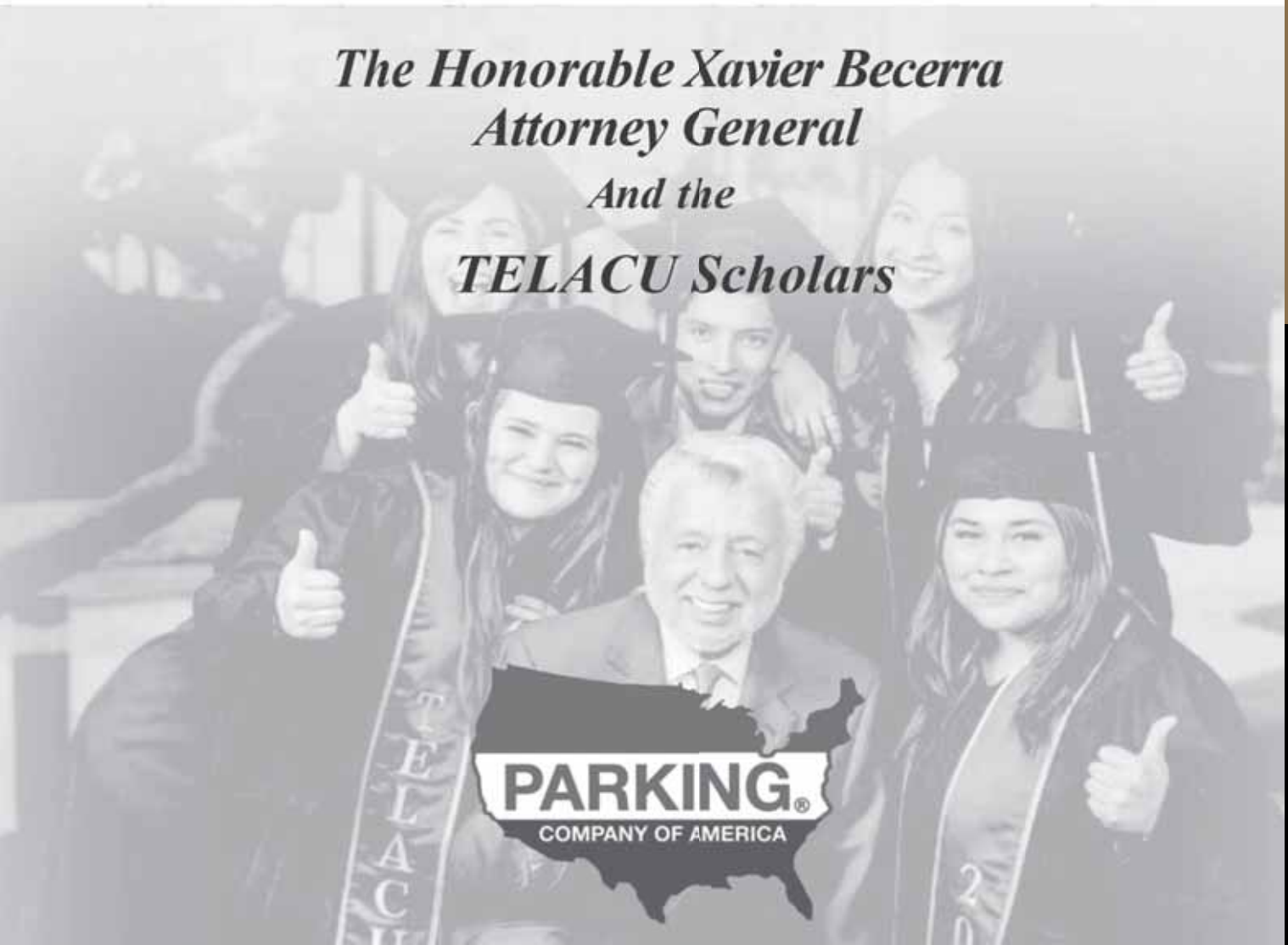
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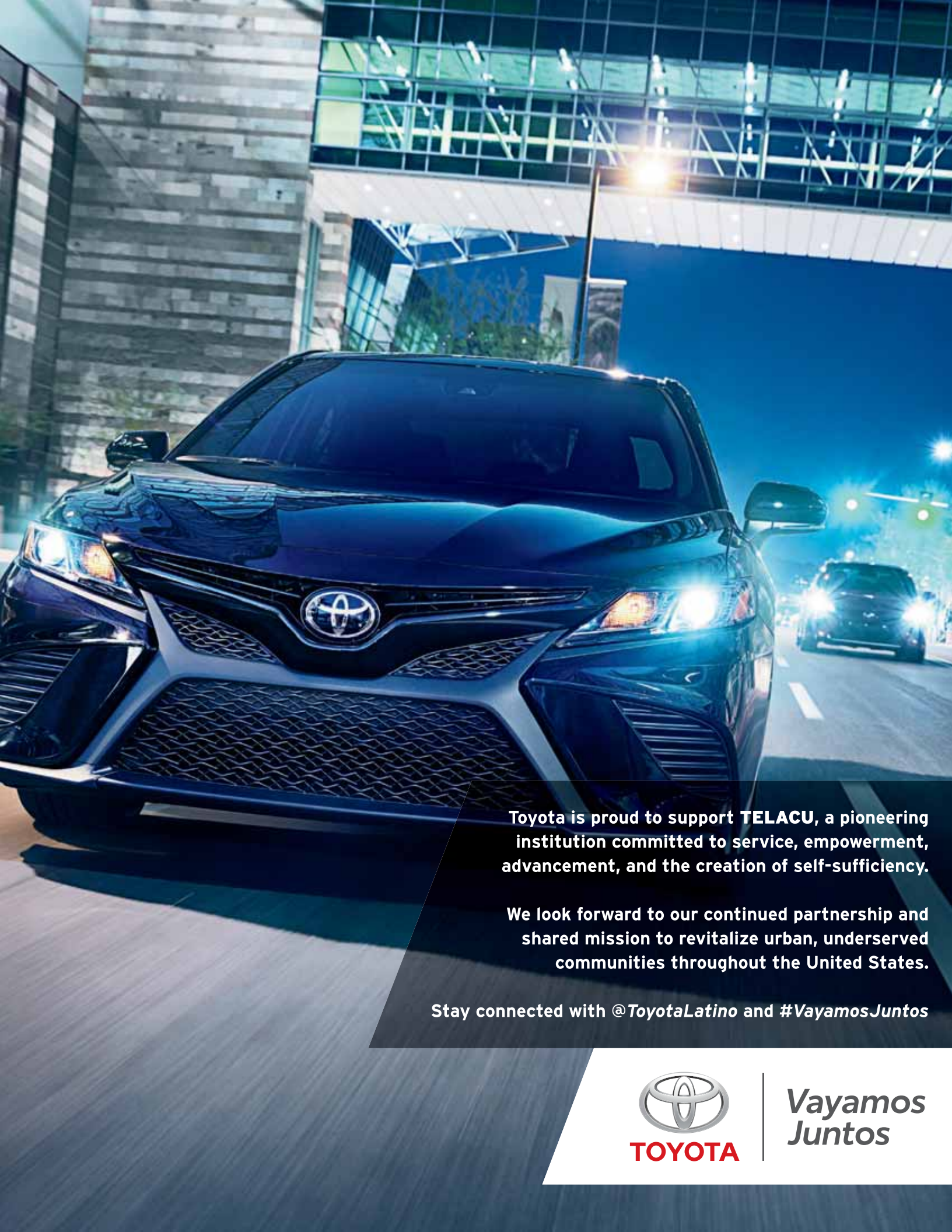
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