



¿Que Pasa?...

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HCAC THE HISPANIC COMMUNITY AFFAIRS COUNCIL
Presents

Nuestra Fiesta! ***30th Anniversary Celebration***

*Join us as we celebrate thirty years of providing more than \$1.5 Million
in scholarships to
over 2,000 Latino students in Alameda County.*

"Educating Latino Youth...Priceless!"

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Thursday, October 18, 2012
5:30 pm. to 9:00 pm

Newark-Fremont Hilton Hotel
39900 Balentine Drive
Newark, California

Nuestra Fiesta will include:
dinner, no-host bar, live music and
entertainment!

The mission of the Hispanic Community Affairs Council (HCAC) is to promote the value of education, cultural diversity, and community involvement. We are a volunteer-driven, non-profit organization dedicated to young Latinos, throughout Alameda County, who are interested in pursuing a college education. We strongly believe that investing in our future leaders is the key to a stronger community!

Buy Your Ticket Today!!!

**Individual Tickets - \$75.00 - contact Arnold Chavez at (510) 331-1438
or order online at www.hcac-ac.org**

2012 Scholarship Recipients

First Name	Last Name	Current school	Intending School	Major
Emerita	Alvarado	Chabot College	Chabot College	Political Science
Agustin	Andrade	Tennyson HS	San Francisco State	Psychology
Dulce	Andrade	Ripon College	Ripon College	Psychology
Josefina	Andrade	Ohlone College	Ohlone College	Early Childhood Studies
Juan	Bahena	Chabot College	Chabot College	Criminal Justice
Oscar	Barragan	Chabot College	Chabot College	Fine Art
Jessica	Cascante	Chabot College	Chabot College	Optometry
Victor	Cuevas	Chabot College	Chabot College	Criminal Justice
Brenda	Dimas	College of San Mateo	Contra Costa Community	Criminology
Luis Alberto	Espinoza	USC	USC	Education (M.A.)
Yosaira	Espinoza	UC Berkeley	UC Berkeley	Public Health
Loyman	Gordillo	Chabot College	Chabot College	Nursing
Edin	Guerra	James Logan HS	Chabot College	Nursing
Cindy	Guerrero	Ohlone College	Ohlone College	Teaching, Speech/Comm
Angelica	Guevara	Chabot College	Chabot College	Undecided
Angel	Ibarra	CA College Preparatory Academy	SF State	Economics
Arlette	Jacome	Newark Memorial HS	Stanford	Human Biology
Natasha	Lajes	Ohlone College	Ohlone College	Sociology
Jose	Lopez	San Lorenzo HS	Chabot College	Undecided
Mario	Martinez	Skyline High	Berkeley Community College	Spanish
Vanessa H.	Martinez	Bay Area Enterprise HS	UC Davis	Psychology
Hector	Martinez	Chabot College	Chabot College	Molecular and Cell Biology
Gloria	Mejia-Cuellar	Media College Prep HS	Yale	Political Science
Magdalena	Mendoza	Life Academy	UC Davis	Pre-med
Michael	Mendoza	Arroyo HS	Laney College	Undecided
Laila Navil	Molina	Foothill HS	UCSC	Political Science
Dominique	Moyco	Chabot College	Chabot College	Integrative Biology
Allen Mario	Muñoz	KIPP King Collegiate HS	Cal Poly San Luis Obispo	Business Administration
Maria	Ortega	Tennyson HS	Chabot College	Undecided
María Elena	Patino	CSU East Bay	UC Berkeley/UC Santa Cruz	Human Development
Omar	Perea	Tennyson HS	CSU East Bay	Undecided
Miguel	Pimentel	CSU East Bay	CSU East Bay	Ethnic Studies and Spanish
Francisco J	Preciado	UC Berkeley, School of Law	UC Berkeley, School of Law	Law Degree
Josue	Preciado	Cal Poly SLO	Cal Poly SLO	Civil Engineering
Bianca N.	Ramos	Oakland Unity HS	UC Irvine	Undecided
Cristina	Ramos	Franciscan University	Franciscan University	Political Science
Robin	Rivera	Las Positas College	UC Berkeley	Psychology
Diana	Rosales	MIT	MIT	Undecided
Jocelyn	Sanchez	Oakland Unity HS	UC Berkeley	Undecided
Bianca	Tornero	Berkeley High School	UCSC	Environmental Science & Spanish
Aroldo	Trejo	UC Davis	UC Davis	Nutrition Science
Jessie	Villalobos	Chabot College	Chabot College	Science
Fredy	Zavala	Coliseum College Prep Academy	UC Berkeley	Undecided

Student Profile



Overall College Experience

My college experience has improved a lot this year. Thanks to the support of HCAC, I have been able to work less and devote more time to school. This semester I became the finance coordinator for LSA (Latin@ Sociological Association), which has been a great experience for me since it is the first official involvement within the Sociology Department. Besides the academic support that we offer to our peers, we also recently went to the Occupy Oakland to offer our support, but also to learn more about this movement.

Continued Civic Engagement

Because I have managed my school and job agenda better, now I can commit more time to what I love to do in the community—develop self-sufficient leaders. I want to improve the lives of immigrant students like myself, so I have found ways to give back. As a student ambassador with Educators for Fair Consideration (E4FC), I have informed immigrant students about the opportunities that undocumented students have. I also encourage students to achieve a higher education through sharing stories about other students who are in the same situation and have accomplished a lot.

Recently, I was the ambassador for the Chicana/Latina Foundation. In this role, I helped promote the Broadband Awareness and Adoption Project. This program helps low-income families to connect to the Internet. I outreached to different organizations in Berkeley and did presentations in these communities.

I also have been a liaison for Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS). Lastly, I also occasionally volunteer for Berkeley Organizing Congregations for Action (BOCA) helping them organize their congregations.

A Personal Message to My Supporters

Thank you so much for all the hard work that you put into this scholarship program. Thank you so much for investing and believing in my potential, I will not let you down. I will always fight for the improvement of our society. I will always make sure to give back to our community, just as you are doing right now. I will also make sure to always open paths for the next generation.

By Yoshi Mendez

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HCAC—Providing our community access!

The Hispanic Community Affairs Council (HCAC) is a community-based organization in Alameda County. It was organized in 1978 by a group of individuals interested in providing a forum to debate issues of interest to the Latino/Hispanic communities, sharing information regarding employment opportunities, and developing a broad network of concerned individuals. It formally became a 501(c)(3) organization in January 1986.

Over the years HCAC's Board of Directors, Advisory Board, and volunteers have raised and given out over \$1 million dollars in scholarship grants. Operating with no paid staff or consultants, minimal overhead and no permanent offices, HCAC volunteers each year raise and direct 100% of all money donated to HCAC scholarships.

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**We are on the web:
<http://hcac-ac.org> and Facebook**

Calendar

- **October 18, 2012**
- 30th Anniversary Celebration
- Newark-Fremont Hilton
- 6:00—8:00 pm
- **November, 2012**
- HCAC 2013-2014 Scholarships will be available.
- **December 2012**
- Student Holiday Reception
- Time & Location TBA
- **February 2013**
- HCAC Scholarship Deadline TBA

Pay Your Membership Dues!!!
If you haven't paid your \$50 membership dues this year, please make a check out to HCAC and send it to our PO Box or bring it to any of our events.

**Want to give back to the community?
Make a Donation!!!**

HCAC is a non-profit, all-volunteer organization. 100% of your donation goes directly to student scholarships!

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