

# **Hispanic College Fund**

Developing Hispanic Professionals...one degree at a time







Our Mission is to educate and develop the next generation of Hispanic professionals.

#### Who We are

- 501(c)(3) national non-profit organization
- We reach exceptional Hispanic students pursuing degrees in over 1,200 colleges and universities, including the Ivy League institutions.

#### **Results to Date**

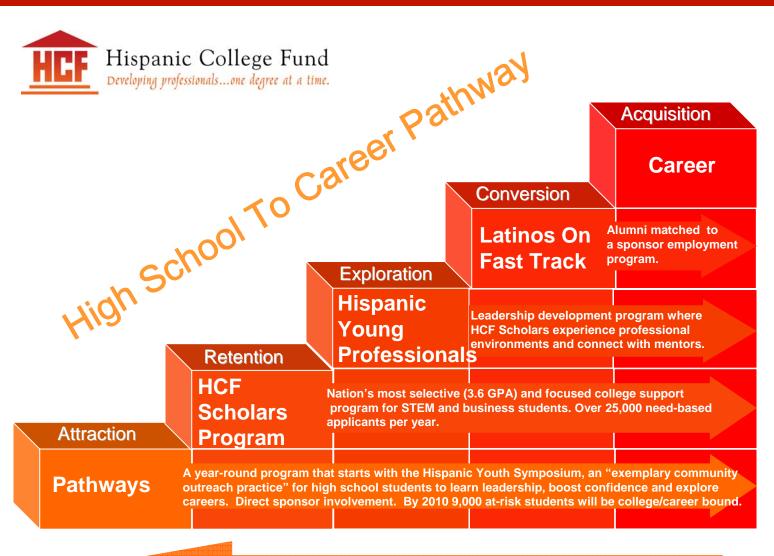
 Since 1993, \$8.9 million awarded in scholarships to 3,700 Hispanic students





## What We Do

- Programs that connect students to:
  - A career track
  - An educational track
  - A peer support network
  - Critical resources
  - Mentors
- Focus is on students pursuing degrees in business and STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics).

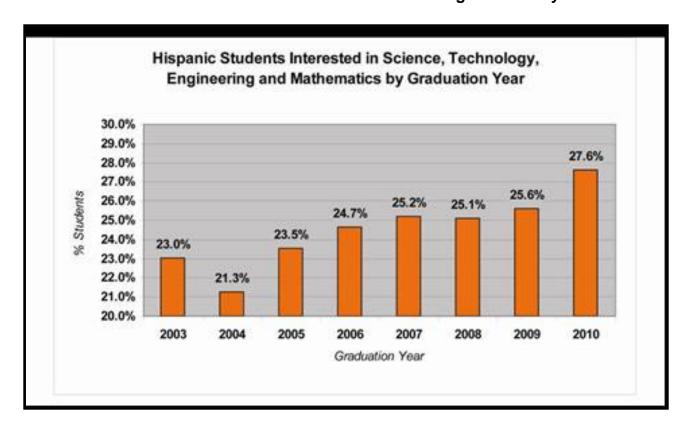


## Mentoring and support at all levels



## Why STEM?

Dramatic reduction in interest as students move through secondary education





# **Early Pipeline**

The Hispanic Youth Symposium targets "at-promise" high school sophomores and juniors.





Nationally recognized as the premier college and career access program for Hispanic youth.



## **Program Overview**

### Four Day – Three Night On-Campus Institute

- Hispanic Heroes Connecting students to mentors!
- Realizing the College Dream How to get into college and pay for it!
- Issues to Action Students take action for positive change!
- Foundations for Personal Success Building confident leaders!
- Making it Happen Career vision!
- Team Building workshop Peer and "Near Peer" support network!
- Scholarship Competition Money for college!



- •90% College Enrollment
- •Internships State, DOE, SSA
- •40% STEM Majors
- •Self Esteem Improved 27%

### **A Few Results**

- •Confidence Improved 35%
- Academic Success Top Schools
- •89% find Role Models / Mentors
- •100% Volunteer in the Community





## **Student Interest**

#### **Northern VA**

- 1. Business
- 2. Medicine
- 3. International Affairs
- 4. Psychology
- 5. Engineering
- 6. Law
- 7. Architecture
- 8. Education
- 9. Sciences (All)
- 10. Communications

#### **Fresno**

- 1. Medicine
- 2. Political Science
- 3. Engineering
- 4. Business
- 5. Math
- 6. Criminology
- 7. Law
- 8. Sciences (All)
- 9. Psychology
- 10. Nursing



#### **Baltimore**

- 1. Medicine
- 2. Business
- 3. Engineering
- 4. Law
- 5. Sciences (All)
- 6. Architecture
- 7. Criminal Justice
- 8. Psychology
- 9. Education
- 10. Art

#### San Francisco

- 1. Medicine
- 2. Psychology
- 3. Business
- 4. Sociology
- 5. Engineering
- 6. Art
- 7. Law
- 8. International Relations
- 9. Sciences (All)
- 10. Nursing



## **Key Lessons**

- Community can make up for a lack of legacy in the family
- •Change the expectations Low socio-economic status = Low confidence
- •Knowledge of the education to career pathway is lacking
- •Value of a positive peer network is enormous
- •The influence of "near peer" mentors is essential
- •Meaningful exposure to careers influences students
- Public/Private partnerships leverage resources
- •Sustained year round programs and tracking is essential

















Strength On Your Side™

























Plus Forty Eight College and University Partners, Twenty Corporate Partners, Ten Non Profit Organizations.



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