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LULAC National Educational Service Centers, Inc. (LNESC) is a 501 (c)(3) national non-profit organization established in 1973 for the purpose of implementing education and leadership programs that narrow the opportunity gap for America's disadvantaged youth. LNESC serves more than 14,000 students each year throughout the U.S. and Puerto Rico, providing educational counseling, scholarships, mentorships, leadership development, and literacy and STEM programs through its network of 14 educational centers. LNESC has assisted over 500,000 students, sent 350,000 on to college, and awarded over \$20 million in scholarships. As the education arm of LULAC, LNESC has access to a wide network of LULAC councils and grassroots contacts, making activation in additional markets feasible.

LNESC Center Locations

Colorado Springs, CO; Pueblo, CO; Miami, FL; Kansas City, MO; Philadelphia, PA; Bayamon, PR;
Corpus Christi, TX; Dallas, TX; El Paso, TX; Houston TX; San Antonio, TX; Washington, DC
Headquarters and other regional sites.

Core Programs & Services

Upward Bound - The program provides opportunities for participants to succeed in their precollege performance and ultimately in their higher education pursuits. Upward Bound serves high school students from low-income families; and high school students from families in which neither parent holds a bachelor's degree. The goal is to increase the rate at which participants complete secondary education and enroll in and graduate from institutions of postsecondary education. **(The Upward Bound Program is in Colorado Springs, CO; Miami, FL; Kansas City, MO; Albuquerque, NM; Bayamon, PR; Corpus Christi, TX; Dallas, TX; and San Antonio, TX)**

Upward Bound Math & Science – The program is designed to strengthen the math and science skills of participating students. The goal of the program is to help students recognize and develop their potential to excel in math and science and to encourage them to pursue postsecondary degrees in math and science, and ultimately careers in the math and science profession. **(The Upward Bound Math & Science Program is in Colorado Springs, CO; Philadelphia, PA; and San Antonio, TX)**

Talent Search - The program identifies and assists individuals from disadvantaged backgrounds who have the potential to succeed in higher education. The program provides academic, career, and financial counseling to its participants and encourages them to graduate from high school and continue on to and complete their postsecondary education. **(The Talent Search Program is in El Paso, TX and Houston, TX)**

More than a Dream (Más Que Un Sueño) - This project is a sexual health and teen pregnancy prevention program for Latino youth. The program consists of a series of interventions for youth and their parents utilizing culturally sensitive based multimedia developed by the Education Development Center (EDC) and the University Of Michigan School Of Nursing. **(The More than a Dream (Más Que Un Sueño) Program is currently in Kansas City, MO; Albuquerque, NM, Miami, FL, and Colorado Springs, CO)**

¡Adelante! America - A leadership development program that introduces middle and high school participants to leadership roles and techniques through interactive lectures with local political, civic and corporate leaders. Program also includes career exploration activities, personal development curricula, and cultural events. **(The ¡Adelante! America Program is currently in Bayamon, Puerto Rico)**

Young Readers - Launched as a national initiative in 1986 to improve reading skills among kindergarten through second grade students, the program is a highly interactive and family-oriented course designed to instill a love of reading in children at an early age. Over the years, Young Readers has evolved into a successful intervention for raising the reading levels of Latino children, while also drawing Latino parents into literacy development framework that benefits their entire family. **(The Young Readers Program is currently in Cincinnati, OH; Miami, FL; Tampa, FL; Orlando, FL; Atlanta, GA; Los Angeles, CA; San Antonio, TX; and Dallas, TX)**

STEM Explorers - A high school program designed to increase student interest in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) fields by exposing them to real world STEM applications. The program provides participants hands-on, inquiry-based learning that engages and exposes them to STEM practices meant to encourage them to pursue science, engineering and/or technology in high school and college. **(The STEM Explorers Program is currently in Bronx, NY; Corpus Christi, TX; Philadelphia, PA; Colorado Springs, CO; San Antonio, TX; and Washington, DC)**

Science Corps - The program is an enrichment program that aims to inspire middle school female and minority students to increase their interest in the fields of science, math and engineering. The program exposes participants to real-world applications of science, math, and engineering and to role models working in those fields. **(The Science Corps Program is currently in Dallas, TX, Houston, TX; and San Antonio, TX)**

College Tours - Provides high school students with the opportunity to learn about the admissions process and financial aid by exposing students firsthand to college campus life. **(College Tours are currently in the following cities: San Diego, CA; San Francisco, CA; Orlando, FL; Chicago, IL; Boston, MA; New York, NY; Dallas, TX; and Houston, TX)**

LULAC National Scholarship Fund (LNSF) - A joint effort of LNESEC and LULAC councils, the LNSF matches grassroots dollars with corporate funds to finance education for high-need Latino students. LNSF awards over 900 scholarships totaling \$600,000 annually through (LNSF) partnerships with corporations to talented Latino and other underrepresented youth to complete college level studies. LNSF has awarded \$20 million in scholarships.

Washington Youth Leadership Seminar (WYLS) - A four-day annual event that brings student leaders from across the U.S. and Puerto Rico to Washington, DC to work on public policy issues affecting the Latino community and meet with national leaders from Congress, Corporate America, and other institutions.

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