



2019-2020 ANNUAL REPORT



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INTRODUCTION:

PRESIDENT & CEO, RAMON PEGUERO + BOARD CHAIRMAN, GUSTAVO MAZZA



Dear CHCF Friends & Family,

One of the traditional joys of preparing our Annual Report is that it gives us the opportunity to reflect on the past year and assess all that has been accomplished. It would be an understatement to say that this past fiscal year was filled with new and difficult challenges, but also meaningful opportunities that allowed us to step up and widen our scope as a service-based nonprofit organization to meet the needs of the community.

The unique circumstances suddenly brought on by COVID-19 in March required us to pivot quickly with innovative solutions to the present needs of the community as well as the new challenges this pandemic presented. During this time, we continued to support students through virtual homework assistance, tutoring, and various extracurricular clubs. We provided our regularly scheduled home-based childcare sessions and trainings online, while also distributing literacy kits for family child-care providers. Additionally, we performed virtual outreach and rallied our community to participate in the 2020 Census, underscoring its importance for the future.

However, we could not have done this work without our generous funders who provided financial support during this crucial time. Thanks to the Meringoff Family Foundation, we were able to provide hotspots and Chromebooks to students and families who did not previously have access to the technology needed for remote learning. We also received emergency funding from the Esperanza Fund of UnidosUS, JPMorgan Chase, and Northwestern Mutual Foundation, which allowed us to maintain services while expanding our operational and technological capacity.

We are proud to lead an organization that was able to rise to the occasion and serve as a beacon of assistance, providing new resources for our community. Thank you to all of those who helped make this past fiscal year another mission-driven success for CHCF. We look forward to continuing this important work with you and our partners in 2021 and beyond.

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Ramon Peguero, Esq.

Ramon Peguero, Esq.
President & CEO

A blue ink signature of Gustavo Mazza.

Gustavo Mazza
Board Chairman

ABOUT US

OUR STORY

Founded in 1982, the Committee for Hispanic Children & Families provides programs that reach underserved, low- and moderate- income children and families throughout New York City and the home-based child care providers who serve them.

Our grassroots focus makes us one of the few Latino organizations in New York that combines direct service with policy work to amplify minority voices at the local, state, and national levels.



WHAT WE DO

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to combine education, capacity-building, and advocacy to strengthen the support system and continuum of learning for children and youth. CHCF has four primary function areas:

Youth Development provides academic and afterschool enrichment programs to supplement students' education and prepare them for scholastic success.

The Early Care & Education Institute provides culturally-informed, bilingual professional development to family child care educators to strengthen the quality of early care and teaching.

Community Engagement leverages our parent participation efforts to train residents to be leaders in their local communities.

Policy and Advocacy works for progressive legislation around access to education from birth to adulthood.



SERVING DURING COVID-19

Remote Programming

The COVID-19 pandemic was an unprecedented occurrence with a global impact on politics, the economy, and notably education. Nevertheless, CHCF, committed to ensuring the intellectual growth and creativity of the youth, unremittingly delivered educational services to students by utilizing virtual platforms. This approach enabled students to receive classes in fitness, health and science programs such as SciScholars, a unique initiative designed to encourage curiosity and promote knowledge and discovery in the field of science. This STEM club combined students ages 8-13 from both PSMS 279 and PS 59. In addition, participating students were mailed materials needed for science experiments. The use of virtual platforms provided a reliable means to maintain the safety of students and staff.

CHCF's youth development work also includes collaborating with the New York Equity Coalition to address K-12 educational inequalities, and uniting with the Hispanic Federation to focus on statewide educational disparities for Latino students and multi-lingual learners. While the COVID-19 pandemic presented a time of great difficulty, it has also propelled CHCF into identifying and exploring innovative ways to maximize our efforts to reach students and families that are most in need.



EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION INSTITUTE (EC&EI)

Early Care & Education Institute

Learning starts at birth and lasts a lifetime...



Our team of bilingual, early childhood specialists and trainers completed

1,777 hours

of intensive coaching, modeling, and technical assistance with **144 child care providers** across the **five boroughs**

\$32,550

in **Financial Grants** were distributed to **130 Child Care Programs**



As part of City's First Readers Initiative:

2,588 books

were distributed to children across all five boroughs, as well as **58 literacy tool kits** and **265 COVID-19 family literacy kits**

Early Care & Education Institute

Culturally-informed and bilingual professional development

Our Healthcare Consultant completed

90 healthcare plans

with their respective **child care programs**



CHCF purchased and distributed hand sanitizer, cleaning supplies, and personal protective equipment to over

238 child care providers

across New York City





COVID-19

CARES Scholarships

In partnership with CHCF's Community Engagement, Operations, and Development departments and the New York City Child Care Resource and Referral Consortium, the NYC CARES scholarship program was administered. Approximately 301 families of essential workers were assisted, 75 child care providers were paid, and 92 children were successfully enrolled. The total scholarship award amounted to \$188,295.

CHCF and the Consortium also partnered with Kaplan to distribute the materials grants to child care providers. A sum of 627 grants were awarded, totaling \$347,520.33. Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic the Early Care and Education Institute staff supported providers with resources and guidance in areas such as family engagement, infant and toddler care through weekly held online office hours. As the pandemic called for the delivery of field-based practices and student enrichment lessons to be communicated virtually, the CARES scholarship program significantly assisted providers and families in acclimating to these many new changes.



YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Youth Development

Elementary, Middle, and High School Programs



445 students

and their families served at

**PS 59: Community School of
Technology**

**PS/MS 279: Captain Manuel
Rivera, Jr. School**

361 students

and their families served at

**Bronx High School
of Business**

a 31% increase

from FY18-19

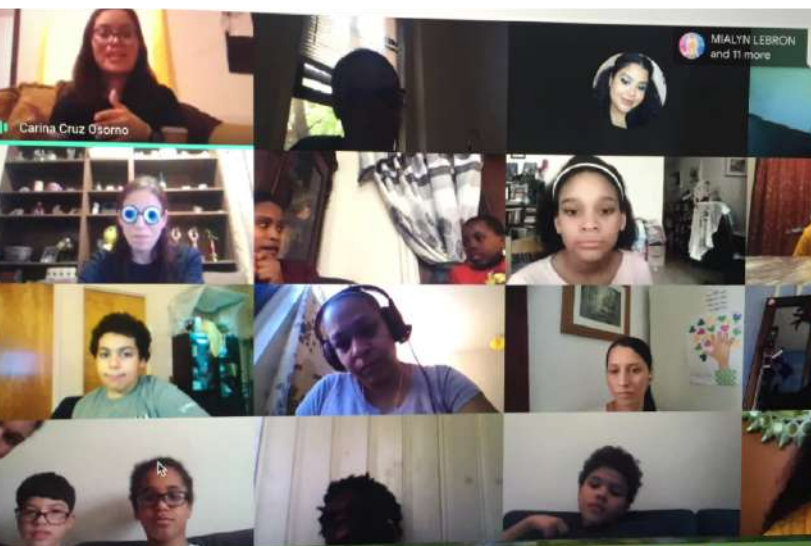


Our Youth Development department provides community-based academic and after school enrichment programs to supplement students' educations and prepare them for scholastic success and on-time graduation.

Youth Development

After school programming to supplement education

In 2020 CHCF provided enrichment programs for students in grades PK-5 at The Community School of Technology. The program saw a parent and family participation of 83% and a student participation of 86%.



150 students

who are enrolled in CHCF's after school program received tutoring and homework assistance services virtually at PS 59

120 hotspots

were purchased for students with limited internet access from PS 59, Bronx High School of Business and PSMS 279





Opening Doors to the Future (ODF) offers comprehensive holistic support to students attending CHCF's high school site, Bronx High School of Business



100% of senior ODF students

graduated with a diploma
and were attending college
in Fall 2020

Due to COVID-19, testing changes were made for the 2019-2020 school year. CHCF aims to have 80% of program participants at BHSB college ready in the 2020-2021 school year. As we began our work in 2016 at BHSB only 15% were college ready. In 2019, 49% of BHSB were college ready.

*College readiness rate is determined by meeting minimum requirements for proficiency in math and English in order to begin taking college credit-bearing coursework.

POLICY & ADVOCACY



Policy & Advocacy

Working for progressive legislation around access to education



79 students and parents

met with **14 state legislators** in Albany to discuss the importance of after school programming



49 meetings

with legislators and officials to advocate and build relationships (a **32% increase** from FY18-19)

4 public testimonies

were written and presented on various topics such as:

Emergency Child Care Regulations
Immigration
Executive Budget
Covid-19 Impact





311ABQ
NO
PARKING
SATURDAY, JUNE 1
Violators will be towed
at owner's expense

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community Engagement

Identifying leaders in our local communities

9,000 community members

completed the **2020 census** with help from CHCF



2,549 individuals

received one-on-one assistance in areas such as **public housing, immigration and legal services, and unemployment**



2,000 students

received backpacks with PPE and school supplies





We aim to create more comprehensive community engagement opportunities to identify community leaders and equip them with the necessary skill sets



8 community members
completed applications to become
U.S. Citizens

via CHCF's Citizen Workshop
in partnership with NALEO



145 turkeys
were donated to
families

to celebrate Thanksgiving and
feed the community

Our Financials

Demonstrating financial transparency and accountability

ASSETS	2019	2020
Cash Equivalents	\$1,954,360	\$1,478,248
Contract Revenue Receivables	\$562,703	\$1,629,801
Prepaid Expenses	\$95,116	\$105,569
Fixed Assets	\$3,785	\$6,834
Reserve Fund	-	-
Unemployment Reserve Savings Account	\$113,157	\$114,805
Security Deposits	\$166,827	\$167,143
Total Assets	\$2,895,948	\$3,502,400
LIABILITIES	2019	2020
Accounts Payable	\$38,239	\$8,608
Accrued Expenses	\$92,021	\$81,189
Accrued Salary and Payroll Taxes Payable	\$98,638	\$29,898
Pension Payable	\$9,376	\$25,969
Refundable Advances	\$197,432	\$244,090
Deferred Rent	\$320,795	\$332,836
Total Loan-SBA-PPP	-	\$543,257
Total Liabilities	\$756,501	\$1,265,846
NET ASSETS	2019	2020
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$1,632,118	\$2,105,405
Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	\$92,217	\$131,149
Total Net Assets	\$2,139,447	\$2,236,554

Corporate & Philanthropic Sponsors

Creating relationships with those that support our work

CBRE

Charles Hayden Foundation

City MD

ConEd

Design Republic

Dime Community Bank

The Education Trust–New York

Facebook

GenNx360 Capital Partners

Hispanic Federation

JPMorgan Chase

Meringoff Family Foundation

Milrose Consultants

Northwestern Mutual Foundation

The Pinkerton Foundation

Platinum Inc.

Pratt Construction and Restoration

Quality Building Services (QBS)

Reidy Contracting Group

Syska Hennessy

Tito's Handmade Vodka

UnidosUS

UPS

ViacomCBS

Walmart

Williamsburg Internal Medicine, P.C.