

# Welcome to 2020-2021 LACC Resource Guide

The 2020-2021 Latin America Community Center Resource Guide lists the services we provide for all ages from our community of the counties of Wilmington and New Castle. The guide is set up so you can find the information you need quickly.

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Thank you for using the LACC Resource Guide! If you have any questions, please contact us at (302) 655-7338.

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## Family Support Services:

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Program Name	Activity Name	Is this program for clients only?	<b>Contact Person</b>	Contact Person Email	Contact Person Phone #	Contact Person 2 #	Activity information on Page
Domestic Violence	Domestic Violence Counseling	No	Bethsaida Acosta	bacosta@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext.		5
Violence	Mujeres Poderosas	No			7707		5
W. 16	Workforce Development	No			202 (11 7222 73		5
Workforce Development	Job Interview Workshop	Yes	Ramírez aramirez athelatincenter.org 7696	aramirez (d) the latin center org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7696	302-494-7518	5
	Job Fair	Yes				002 15 1 7010	6
Adult Basic	English as a Second Language (ESL)	No	Colin Marshall	cmarshall@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 2161	302-377-0251	6
Education	Adult Digital Literacy	No	Daniela Pizarro	dpizarro@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 2173	302-494-9545	6
	Crisis Alleviation	No			5		6
	Short Term Case Management	No	Brenda Juarez	bjuarez@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7694		7
	Public Notary	No					7
	Emergency Food and Shelter	No					7
	Food Closet	No					7
	Clothing Closet	No	Bethsaida Acosta	bacosta@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7707		8

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Victims of Crime	Victims of Crime Counseling	No	Jesus Vazquez	jvazquez@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7725	302-409-8238	8
Breastfeeding Program	Breastfeeding Counseling	No	Osiris Torres	otorres@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext.7723	302-723-7877	8
	Los Abuelos	No					9
Senior's Program	Food Distribution for Seniors	No, but only for residents of New Castle County 60 and older	Bianca Aldegón	baldegon@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext .7733		9
	Senior Health Educational classes	Yes					9
Community Health	Community Health Specialist Needs Assessment	No	Mariana Bedolla	mbedolla- pantoja@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7730	302-494-5028	9

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### 1. Activity name: Domestic Violence Counseling

The Domestic Violence program serves Hispanic women in New Castle, Kent, and Sussex counties who have been victims of domestic violence. The program coordinator meets with the client and the client can share what she is going through in a safe space. The program coordinator provides counseling for clients and education on domestic violence. safety plans, and assistance with filling out PFA (Protection From Abuse). The program coordinator can also provide company to clients going to court as a form of support. The program coordinator does not represent or advocate for the client at court. The program coordinator will continue to keep in touch with clients via phone or in-person as needed.

#### 2. Activity name: Mujeres Poderosas

This program is for all Hispanic women living in Delaware. The program offers a support group for women, the group is designed to be a safe space for women to come together and empower one another. The program allows women the opportunity to develop friendships and gain confidence. This group meets once a month virtually and women need to sign up with the program coordinator if interested.

### 3. Activity name: Workforce Development

This program is meant to help clients during their job search. For example, the program coordinator can help a client to create or improve his or her resume, application assistance, translating a job description that is in English, etc. The program coordinator can help a client to create a resume or if they already have provide one to recommendations on improving their current resume. Application assistance involves anything from assistance with a specific job application question, filling a job application online, or helping the client to fill a job application that is in English. The program coordinator can also offer job interview techniques to clients. The purpose of this is that job candidates are better prepared and more confident during the job interview. To reduce individual barriers, the program works along with the Adult Education Program which offers English classes, computer classes, and citizenship classes.

### 4. Activity name: Job Interview Workshop

This event is part of the Workforce Development Program and is only for clients enrolled in the program. Clients will learn about the proper etiquette for job interviews. For example, they will practice responding to interview questions, building speaking abilities, and get insight into the unwritten rules of interviewing. This event happens four times per year at the LACC.

#### 5. Activity name: Job Fair

This event is part of the Workforce Development Program and is open to the general public in Delaware. A job fair is an event that gives job seekers and employers a chance to meet one another, establish professional relationships, and discuss potential job opportunities. This event happens two times per year at the LACC.

### 6. Activity name: ESL (English as a Second Language)

When a client is interested in English (ESL) classes they must complete an initial intake form and fill out other documents as required. The client must take a language assessment that will assist the instructor in placing the client in the appropriate class. ESL classes begin in July and run throughout the year. ESL classes are taught mornings, afternoons, and evenings\*. Assessments are given throughout the school year to determine the student's level of progress. At the end of sixty (60) hours, the student is tested again to verify the knowledge learned. Assessments are given via a program called Best Plus.

\*Due to Covid-19 the ELS classes are running on virtual mode at the following times:

- 9:00am-10:20am
- 10:40am-12pm
- 6:30pm-7:20pm
- 7:40pm-9:00pm
- Run Tuesday to Thursday

#### 7. Activity name: Adult Digital Literacy

This is a class that teaches students basic computer knowledge such as how to turn a computer on, how to use the mouse, how to use the keyboard, etc. This class is usually taught once a week\*. By the end of the program, the student will be able to set up his own email address.\*Due to Covid-19 computer classes are being held Mondays from 10am to 11:30am as they must be held virtually.

#### 8. Activity name: Crisis Alleviation

The program's focus is on homelessness prevention. Providing relief by helping to cover the costs of utility bills, rent, and other financial stressors. To qualify clients must bring copies of recent paystubs or other sources of income, show proof in the form of providing bills and/or other documentation for rent, utilities, etc. Clients that have excessive bills that have accumulated for an

extended period will most likely not be considered to receive financial help. Once the paperwork is processed the client will be notified if they were approved or not. If they are approved a check will be mailed directly to the utilities company or landlord. The financial help is only available once per year and is only for residents of Wilmington, DE.

## 9. Activity name: Short-Term Case Management

Short-Term Case Management is a program that helps clients living in Delaware with application assistance. Examples include but are not limited to state benefits, school enrollment, Social Security, assistance filling out divorce papers, etc. There is a fee for filling out certain documents and the fee varies based on the documents that are being filled out.

#### 10. Activity name: Public Notary

Clients can give their documents such as divorce, child support, child custody papers, etc a public notary seal by our LACC staff Wanda Burgos-Rincon or Dunieki Landa. There is a small fee for each page the document is given a public notary seal. Clients need to make an appointment for the public notary service.

#### 11. Activity name: Food Closet

Our food closet assists residents of Delaware that are facing significant financial hardship. It is designed to meet the immediate needs of our clients by providing them with an emergency food box, canned goods, and perishable food items. To receive a box the client must complete a registration form and provide a Delaware state ID. Food pantry service hours: Tuesday and Thursday from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM. \*\*

\*\* Due to COVID 19- our hours have changed. We are providing food Monday-Friday 1:00 PM- 4:00 PM. Please note that to minimize the risk of exposure we ask that clients fill out the registration form over the phone with Family Support Services staff only once a month.

## 12. Activity name: Emergency Food and Shelter

This program is for everyone in New Castle County, Delaware. This program is meant to help those in need of food and housing and is meant to reduce homelessness. This program helps people look for shelter and financially helps with a limited amount such as paying a portion of a hotel fee or an apartment's rent. Emergency food is also offered via our Food Closet. This program runs throughout the year and is located at the LACC.

#### 13. Activity name: Clothing Closet

Clients that need clothes and/or shoes can receive gently used clothes and shoes from the LACC. The clothing and shoes are free. A client may request clothing and/or shoes approximately every months. The paperwork can be done in person or on the phone. The program coordinator will need to fill out an intake form and the client must know the clothing and shoe sizes. The program coordinator will then send out the form to the organization responsible for the clothing closet where a client can expect the items to arrive within 2 weeks. The items get drop-off at the LACC and the client must pick up the clothing and/or shoes.

## 14. Activity name: Victims of Crime Counseling

The main focus of this program is to support Latino victims of crime and help decrease the underreporting of crime in the Latino immigrant community by empowering victims to take steps and report the crime. The program coordinator will inform clients of their rights and provide the following services:

- -Assistance contacting the authorities and reporting the crime
- -Information about victims' rights under the law (including undocumented individuals)

- -Assistance contacting the Victims Compensation and filling out appropriate forms.
- -Follow-up communication, court reminders, regular and ongoing updates
- Accompaniment and support at court appearances
- -Personal and/or emotional support
- Referral to other support services

The Victims of Crime Program is intended to help you or a loved one by educating you on your rights as a victim and referring you to other service providers who may also be able to assist you and meet your immediate needs. All clients must complete an intake form. The intake form will ask the clients their contact information, DOB, a brief description of the incident, and police report number within 72 hours (If applicable).

## 15. Activity name: Breastfeeding Counseling

This is a support and educational group for women who are pregnant, just delivered a baby, or are breastfeeding a child up to one year old. The breastfeeding support group is held twice a month. The purpose is to teach mothers how to breastfeed, resolve any issues encountered during breastfeeding, and educate on the problems women face during

delivery. This is the basis of the first session. The group also holds discussions on specific topics/issues that are of interest to the client. This is the basis of the second session. To participate in this amazing program the client must be enrolled in the WIC program. This program does not provide diapers or milk. The program coordinator contacts all the women enrolled in the Breastfeeding Program via phone or email to follow up and answer any questions they may have.

#### 16. Activity name: Los Abuelos

Los Abuelos is a program for seniors held at Los Jardines senior housing apartments. Located at 1000 West 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Wilmington, DE 19805. Most of the program participants are seniors that live in these apartments. The mission of the program is to engage, educate, and support seniors in the Latino community in leading healthy lifestyles and improve quality of life. Some of the activities that the seniors participate in include educational sessions, exercise, lectures, recreational activities, etc. Examples include a diabetes educational session, Zumba class, and bingo among many other activities. The program also offers a food distribution to the seniors. Special occasions such as birthdays and holidays are also celebrated.

### 17. Activity name: Senior Health Educational Classes

This event is only open to clients enrolled in the Los Abuelos program. The seniors enrolled in the Los Abuelos program receive various educational health sessions throughout the year. Some of the topics include diabetes, cancer, blood pressure, among other topics. The sessions last an average of 1 to 2 hours and are taught by people in public health organizations like hospitals and universities among others. The location is Los Jardines, 1000 West 5th Street, Wilmington, DE 19806.

### 18. Activity name: Food Distribution for Seniors

This event is only for residents of New Castle County 60 and older. The Los Abuelos program partners with a local Food Bank to distribute boxes of food to the elderly. Boxes are free but the person must meet certain requirements like meet certain income guidelines and age to qualify for the food distribution program. This event happens once per month at Los Jardines, 1000 West 5th Street, Wilmington, DE 19805.

### 19. Activity name: Community Health Specialist Needs Assessment

This service is for all clients in Delaware. The Community Health Specialist conducts an Individual Needs Assessment (INA) for all the walk-ins that the FSS department gets. The INA is a series of questions that will help to identify other underlying needs that the client may have and that were not identified on the initial visit. The Community Health Specialist also conducts outreach by informing clients of our services at the LACC.



#### **Prevention And Advocacy Services:**

Program Name	Activity Name	Is this program for clients only?	Contact Person	Contact Person Email	Contact Person Phone #	Contact Person 2#	Program informatio n on Page
HIV Prevention Program(Huma n Immunodeficie ncy Virus)	HIV Prevention	No	Ismael Medina & Daniel Lahera	imedina@thelatincenter.org dlahera@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7740 / Ext. 2165	302-442-7740 / 302- 295-2165	13
	Prevention Promoters	No					13
Prevention Promoters	Naloxone Training (Overdose Prevention)	Yes	Mildred Ortega & Mayur Chandriani	preventionpromoters@thelatincent er.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 2159/ Ext. 2170	302- 295- 215/302-295- 2170	15
	Art Addiction	No					15
	Spring Art Work Community Tour	No No					15 16
Stand By Me	Stand By Me Childcare Initiative	Yes	Meraris Aguilar	maguilar@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7747		13
Financial	Stand By Me Hispano	Yes					13
Coaching	First Time Home Buyer Classes	Yes	Duniesky Landa	dlanda@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 2171		16
Classes							

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Stand By Me Financial Coaching	Defensive Driving Class	Yes	Duniesky Landa	dlanda@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 2171		16	
Healthy Families	Healthy Families	Yes	Ana M Figueras	afigueras@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7695		14	
Healthy Homes	Healthy Homes	Yes			LAt. 7073		14	
Prevention and	Voter Registration	No		adominguez@thelatincenter.org	302 655-7338		14	
Advocacy	Latino Engagement Initiative	No	Alicia Dominguez		Ext. 7736		15	

#### 20. Activity name: HIV Prevention

This is a program at the LACC which carries out HIV testing for clients Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The program accepts clients with or without an appointment. The HIV program is for clients that live in Delaware. The paperwork is filled out with the HIV Specialist such as signing a letter of consent and other paperwork. The client does not need to bring anything but he or she must provide an ID. The client does not need to be a United States citizen and no health insurance is required. The program also provides referrals for STD testing and PrEP (a prescription medication) where the client is referred to another organization.

COVID-19 and HIV Services: The HIV Program is currently offering at-home HIV testing kits to those that qualify based on necessity. The at-home test kits are being prioritized for the Latinx community in Kent and Sussex counties.

#### 21. Activity name: Prevention Promoters

Prevention Promoters is a program aimed at reducing substance abuse among adults. The objective is to empower and increase awareness among the local Latino community about substance abuse and addiction. Prevention Specialists can deliver services through different avenues such as

educational sessions, AOD (Alcohol or Drug)-free events, community partnerships, referrals, and initiatives with local businesses. Because of the current COVID-19 pandemic, Prevention Promoters is virtually delivering the majority of program services until further notice.

Support Services: Even though the program's main focus is prevention, clients that need treatment will be connected to the appropriate services. The Prevention Promoters Program is committed to ensuring that all clients receive the help they need!

## 22. Activity name: Stand By Me Childcare Initiative

The program coordinator is a financial coach of the Stand By Me program that provides services to parents of the Early Development Center and staff at the LACC who have children under the age of 12. Services are offered daily but clients must make an appointment in advance.

#### 23. Activity name: Stand by Me Hispano

The program coordinator is a Stand by Me coach and works with the entire Hispanic community. They include adults, students, seniors, and any other Hispanic client with older children or no children. Services are offered daily but clients must make an

appointment in advance. Some of the services include financial guidance and support to people that need it. For example guidance on bank accounts, opening bank accounts for children, loans, 1st time home buying, credit building, or repair among other financial topics. For example, the coach can help with guidance on credit improvement and guidance during the process of purchasing a house. When the customer is ready for credit, the financial advisor can provide customer information to a bank so they can continue the process. Financial educational classes are given by virtual meetings and in person. Topics include first time home buyer orientation and guidance, credit improvement, budgeting, savings, small business, and other financial topics. The program also offers financial workshops where topics such as money management, avoiding financial frauds, and improving your credit score are discussed. Other financial workshops and topics are also held upon request from the client.

#### 24. Activity name: Healthy Families

Healthy Families is a program that assists families and individuals in navigating the health system. It assists in making payment arrangements when clients cannot pay medical debts, helps enroll those who qualify for the Screening for Life (SFL) and Health

Care Connection (HCC) programs, referrals to private insurance if clients do not qualify such as One Market and others. This program alsohelps make appointments with doctors and provides cancer prevention tests (mammograms, Pap smear, and colonoscopy), diabetic screenings, and any other tests.

#### 25. Activity name: Healthy Homes

The Healthy Homes program provides outreach and education about lead poisoning and other home health hazards. The program provides education through community sessions, in-person, and phone consultation. This program also can provide some minor mitigation for home health hazards (roach and mice traps, health-conscious cleaning supplies, etc.).

#### 26. Activity name: Voter Registration

Website: https://ivote.de.gov/VoterView
Voter Registration is open to everyone in
Delaware that wants to register to vote. We
can help eligible community members get
registered to vote, find out their polling place,
and make a plan for election day. Clients can
register any time of the year but this usually
ramps up during election year. Assistance is
offered virtually or in person at the LACC.

### 27. Activity name: Latino Engagement Initiative

This program aims to assess the needs of the Latino community in Wilmington, especially as they relate to the impacts of COVID-19 on housing, food security, financial security, employment, etc. This program connects Latinos with needed services, delivers culturally competent COVID-19 prevention and care connections, increases participation in civic and community engagement activities, and increases the representation of this under-served and under-represented community at the local and state levels.

### 28. Activity name: Naloxone Training (Overdose Prevention)

This event is open to Prevention Promoter clients and LACC staff. Naloxone, known by the common brand name Narcan, is a medication designed to reverse the harmful effects of an opioid overdose. The client will receive training on Naloxone. The goal of the training is the prevention of an opioid overdose. **Opioids** include heroin, hydrocodone, morphine, oxycodone, and others. If not treated immediately, an opioid overdose can be extremely dangerous to a person's health. The training is scheduled based on need and is offered throughout the year at the LACC.

#### 29. Activity name: Art Addiction

This event is open to everyone in Delaware 18 years and older. This is an art contest where participants can express addiction from an artistic viewpoint. The purpose of the art project is to raise awareness of substance abuse and the prevention of substance abuse. Artwork can be in the form of painting, drawing, photography, graphic design, and collage. Recruitment starts in January and the ceremony location is announced in March or April. Judges from the community announce the winners. This event happens once a year. The Artwork is drop off at Manuelita Olson Building at 301 North Harrison Street Wilmington, DE 19805. The event is announced via flyers on the LACC Facebook page.

#### 30. Activity name: Spring Art Work

This event is open to everyone in Delaware 18 years and older. The Prevention Promoters Program hosts a gathering where everyone in the community is invited to create a piece of artwork. A local artist is invited and the artist tells the participants what to draw and demonstrates how to paint the drawing. Materials are provided. This event is free to the general public. This event happens once a year in April. Location varies between the

LACC or other various locations. Flyers and registration are announced via the LACC Facebook page.

#### 31. Activity name: Community Tour

This event is open to everyone in New Castle County, Delaware 18 years and older. The LACC partners with the Delaware Shakespeare. The Delaware Shakespeare is invited to the LACC to perform a theater type of show for the general public. This is live acting by actors and actresses. This program is free but registration is required. This event happens every year in November at the LACC gym. Flyers and registration are announced via the LACC Facebook page.

### 32. Activity name: First Time Home Buyer Classes.

This event is open to the general public and Stand by Me Hispano clients. This class is meant to provide guidance and support for people that are First Time Home Buyers. This

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class is offered two times per year and the location is Manuelita Olson Building at 301 North Harrison Street Wilmington, DE 19805. Flyers and registration are announced via the LACC Facebook Page.

### 33.Activity name: Defensive Driving Classes

This event is open to the general public in Delaware and Stand by Me Hispano clients. This program helps to reduce the cost of your auto insurance up to 15 percent and the client receives a 3 point credit on their driving record with the Delaware DMV. This class is also meant to educate the client and thus ensure a safer driving experience. This is offered every two months throughout the year and the location is Manuelita Olson Building 301 North Harrison Street Wilmington, DE 19805. Flyers and registration are announced via the LACC Facebook page.

#### **Early Development Center:**

Program Name	Activity Name	Is this program for clients only?	Contact Person	Contact Person Email	Contact Person Phone #	Contact Person 2 #	Program informatio n on Page
La Fiesta Early Development Center	La Fiesta Early Development Center	No	Sonia Aguirre	saguirre@thelatincenter.org	302-295-2781		18
Early Childhood Assistance Program (ECAP)	Early Childhood Assistance Program (ECAP)	110	Some Agame	sagaine e inclumeento ioig	302 25 2161		18
Early Head Start	Early Head Start						18
Parenting Curriculum	Parenting Curriculum Classes	Yes	Jackeline Rodriguez	jrodriguez@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7335		19
Art Therapy	Art Therapy Classes	Yes			77		19
Mental Health Consultation	Mental Health Consultation	No	Sandra Lopez	sandra@thecenterforchilddevelop ment.com	302-292-1334 Ext. 737		20
Parent Workshops	Parent Workshop Classes	Yes	Mariana Acosta	macosta@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7226		19
Policy Council	Policy Council Meetings	Yes	Karen Hartz	khartz@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 2782		19

## 34. Activity name: La Fiesta Early Development Center

La Fiesta is a 5-star quality program for children from 6 weeks to 5 years old. La Fiesta is open from 6:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Tuition costs are available on the website at https://www.thelatincenter.org/private-

tuition. Families may pay the full tuition costs or use their Purchase of Care (POC) voucher to assist with tuition. Families can apply for POC child care assistance at their assigned social services office, where they also apply for Medicaid and SNAP benefits. The infant and toddler program is Spanish immersion. **Teachers** communicate completely in Spanish so that the children develop a strong foundation in Spanish from an early age. Teachers plan individualized activities that help the children move along their development stages using the Creative Curriculum for Infants, Toddler, and Two's. They also implement a social-emotional curriculum, called Conscious Discipline, to help the children develop self-regulation skills. Children ages 3-5 participate in our dual language preschool program where they receive instruction in both English and Spanish. Teachers use the Creative Curriculum for Preschool and students study different science and social studies topics for

6 weeks each while also learning the various literacy and math skills they will need to be prepared for kindergarten. Preschoolers continue developing their self-regulation skills with the Conscious Discipline Curriculum.

## 35. Activity name: Early Childhood Assistance Program (ECAP)

ECAP is a free half-day preschool program. Families may qualify depending on income, family size, and other factors. The program runs from 8 a.m.-12p.m. Monday through Friday. Services through ECAP can be combined with a Purchase of Care (POC) to provide all-day child care for children ages 3-5. ECAP classrooms are led by teachers with a bachelor's degree in early education or child development and meet national Head Start standards for curriculum, teacher training/development, health, safety, nutrition, etc.

#### 36.Activity name: Early Head Start

Early Head Start is a free childcare program for children ages 0-2. Families may qualify for the Early Head Start Program if they have a Purchase of Care (POC) and meet the income guidelines. The program runs from 6:45 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday

and offers smaller group sizes, lower student: teacher ratios, family and health services, and assistance with diapers and wipes. Early Head Start classrooms follow national standards for teacher qualifications and training, health, safety, curriculum, and more. Children accepted into the Early Head Start program remain in the program until their third birthday. If the family has a co-pay with their Purchase of Care (POC), it is covered by the program.

### 37. Activity name: Parenting Curriculum Classes

This activity is only for clients that have children enrolled in the

LACC Early Development Center programs. The EDC family service workers lead parenting curriculum classes. The goal of the classes is to improve parent-child relationships and decrease child abuse and neglect. The classes are taught every two weeks throughout the year at the LACC.

#### 38. Activity name: Art Therapy Classes

This activity is only for clients that have children enrolled in the

LACC Early Development Center programs. In a partnership with The Center for Child Development and a local artist, the EDC offers art therapy classes to parents. The classes focus on stress relief and building self-esteem. The classes are taught every two weeks throughout the year at the LACC.

### 39. Activity name: Parent Workshop Classes

This activity is only for clients that have children enrolled in the LACC Early Development Center programs.

The FACET (Families and Centers Empowered Together)Coordinator for the EDC plans workshops to help parents learn about various topics, including how to prepare their children for kindergarten and resources available in the community. This activity is offered monthly throughout the year at the LACC.

## 40.Activity name: Policy Council Meetings

Parents who have children enrolled in ECAP or EHS may volunteer to serve on the Policy Council, which approves changes to programming, program goals, hiring practices, etc. and oversees the management of the program. This activity happens every other month from October to June. The location is usually the LACC or via conference call.

### 41.Activity name: Mental Health Consultation

 $\underline{https://thecenterforchilddevelopment.com/}$ 

This service is open to the general public in Delaware. The Center for Child Development provides mental health services

in English and Spanish on-site at the LACC. They also see clients from the community. The service is offered on a need basis. The location is 402 N. Van Buren St. - La Fiesta 2 lower level.



#### **Youth Development Center:**

Program Name	Activity Name	Is this program for clients only?	Contact Person	Contact Person Email	Contact Person Phone #	Contact Person 2#	Program information on Page
Before and	LACC Site	No	Jennifer Juarez	jjuarez@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7716		22
After School Program	La Academia Antonia Alonso Site	No	Jessica Marrero	jmarrero@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7731		22
	Wiliam C Lewis Site	No	Jesus Balmaceda	jbalmaceda@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7738		22
High School Credit Recovery	High School Credit Recovery	No	Chastity Galarza	cgalarza@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7727		22
Youth Achievement Center	Youth Achievement Center	No	Katherine Ernst	kernst@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338, Ext. 7712		22
Hispanic Student Recognition	Hispanic Student Recognition	No	Chastity Galarza	cgalarza@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7727		23

## **42.**Activity name: Before and After School Program

The LACC offers three Before and After school programs for children 5-12 years old. The sites are located at the LACC, William C. Lewis Elementary School, and La Academia Antonia Alonso, and all accept Purchase of Care (POC). These programs run all year round, including the 10-month school year, and a 2-month summer camp located at the LACC. The program also offers all-day drop-in care during the school holidays and select professional development days for Red Clay School District. This is offered at the LACC, regardless of which site the student attends. During the school year, the programs are open from 6:45 a.m.-8:00a.m. and 3:00p.m.-6:00p.m. During summer camp and drop-in days, the hours are 6:45 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Some of the enrichment activities offered between the sites include Boys and Girl Scouts, Kind to Kids, choir, and soccer. The LACC and Lewis sites also collaborate with the University of Delaware in which the students pursuing degrees in Elementary Education serve as mentors to assist our students one-on-one with homework during program hours.

## 43.Activity name: High School Credit Recovery

The Credit Recovery Program collaboration with the Red Clay Consolidated School District. Students who are currently enrolled in school but are behind in credits or in danger of dropping out are eligible for the program. A referral is sent by administrator i.e. school counselor, assistant principal, or principal to the program coordinator. The program runs from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday – Friday from October 1 through June 30<sup>th</sup>. The program is closed when the Red Clay Consolidated School District is closed for holidays, professional development days, school breaks etc.

### 44.Activity name: Youth Achievement Center

The Youth Achievement Center serves students ages 13-18 years old in middle and high school. The program is completely free and runs from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Monday – Friday at the LACC. In addition, the program runs at AI Middle and AI High School from 3-4:30 pm Monday-Friday. There are occasional trips on Saturdays. The program often goes on breaks that correspond with students' school schedules (winter break,

spring break, etc.) but usually holds a few optional activities during the break time. The program runs during the summer, but the schedule varies year to year based on student need. Youth Achievement Center offers a wide variety of activities, including (but not limited to): homework help, basketball, soccer, Zumba, art, photography, film-making programs, activities through the Delaware Nature assistance Society, and with internship, and college searches and applications.

## 45. Activity Name: Hispanic Student Recognition Program

The HSRP has been a signature event since 1979 and maintains strong school,

community, and private sector support. The Hispanic Student Recognition Program (HSRP) recognizes exceptional High School Hispanic students in the state of Delaware. The goal is to open doors for Hispanic students to pursue greater opportunities, inspire pride in our people and heritage, motivate students to work hard, and encourage families to support them. High school students across the state nominated to compete for awards in five categories: Academic Excellence, Community Service/Volunteerism, Athletics, the Arts, and Science/ Technology/ Engineering/ Math (STEM). Parents, family, friends, coaches, mentors, and tutors can nominate a Hispanic student in the schools, communities, or churches.

#### **Special Activities:**

Program Name	Activity Name	Is this program for clients only?	Contact Person	Contact Person Email	Contact Person Phone #	Contact Person 2#	Program informatio n on Page
All Agency Activities	Adopt A Family Program	Yes	Kelly Scalan	kscalan@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7734		25
	The LACC Open House	Yes	Esther Naranjo	enaranjo@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338		25
	Annual Grand Ball	No	Casey Davis	cdavis@thelatincenter.org	302-655-7338 Ext. 7713		25



## 46.Activity name: Adopt A Family Program

This program is only for clients nominated by a LACC staff member. Program coordinators throughout the LACC and staff can nominate a family that is in need to receive gifts during the Christmas holiday. The program matches LACC clients with individuals or corporate sponsors who adopt them for the holidays. The families get put on a list with those with the most need given priority. The family cannot sign up but rather a LACC staff member must nominate the family. This event happens once per year.

### 47.Activity name: The LACC Open House

This is an event to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. Sponsors, funders, and colleagues can come and visit the Latin American Community Center and celebrate Hispanic culture and food. The food is cooked by the LACC staff with unique dishes cooked from many different countries. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the culture, sound, and taste of Latin America. This event happens on the first Friday of every September at the LACC gym.

#### 48. Activity name: Annual Grand Ball

This event is only open to LACC staff and organizations that have made contributions to the LACC and the Latino Community in Delaware. The Annual Grand Ball has been an event celebrated since 1969. This is a fundraising where the LACC event community recognizes leaders that have made significant companies contributions to the LACC and the Latino Community in Delaware. This is a gala event where the LACC also celebrates its accomplishments. All proceeds benefit our Early Development Center and After School Program for youth. This event happens once per year and the location varies from year to year but is announced once the date of the event draws near.

#### **Virtual Volunteer Opportunities**

Volunteer Activity	Activity Description	Departme	ent	Estimated Number Hours	of Contact
Marketing Plans	Develop Soci <mark>al Media</mark> Marketing Plans for Agency Events	Prevention Advocac		10	Laura Adarve ladarve@thelatincenter.org
Compile Delaware COVID-19 Statistical Data	Develop tools to better express the impact of COVID-19. Statistics will be used in community marketing & grant proposals	Administra	tion	15	
Social Media Content Creation	Create COVID-19 information content to post on LACC social media	Administra	tion	10	Casey Davis cdavis@thelatincenter.org
Donation Drives	Create a fundraiser to provide families with grocery store gift cards, diapers, baby wipes, etc.	Administra	tion	15	edavis e diciadificenter.org

