



The Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (CHCI) was established in 1978 by members of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus as a non-profit, non-partisan educational organization dedicated to developing the next generation of Latino leaders. CHCI's educational services are designed to provide Latino students with the tools and resources they need to succeed in attaining a higher education. Through its leadership development programs, CHCI seeks to help participants search for and understand their identity as professionals, Latinos, and leaders. By bringing together individuals who share a commitment to serve their communities, CHCI endeavors to make its vision of an educated and civic-minded Latino community a reality.

CHCI Programs/Initiatives

HOGAR (Hispanic Ownership, a Growing American Reality)

HOGAR, the Spanish word for home, is a two-year fellowship program formed by CHCI to empower Latino housing professionals and increase homeownership opportunities for Latinos nationwide. HOGAR focuses on expanding the accessibility of homeownership to Latinos by employing an innovative bi-partisan, multi-tiered strategy to identify and develop solutions to address the current obstacles faced by Hispanics.

Summer Internship

Every summer 32 promising Latino undergraduates from across the country are selected for an eight-week program in the nation's capital. While in DC, interns work in the offices of U.S. representatives.

Public Policy Fellowship Program

The nine-month Fellowship Program offers up to 20 talented Latinos from across the country the opportunity to gain hands-on experience at the national level in the public policy area of their choice.

State Farm® Background:

State Farm has been supporting the CHCI since 1993. State Farm is a strong supporter of CHCI's congressional summer internship program and public policy fellowship.

State Farm is actively involved in the Public Policy Conference and Gala. VP Public Affairs Mike Fernandez presented on Evaluating the State of Diversity in Corporate America at the 2006 Public Policy Conference.

Various State Farm associates have served as instructors presenting our Congressional Insight session to the CHCI Fellows and Interns.

At A Glance:

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2007 Events

- Public Policy Conference & Annual Gala in Washington, D.C. in October 2007
- 6 Regional Student Outreach Events to be held in Miami, Atlanta, McAllen, Chicago, New York, and Los Angeles

Fast Facts

- In 2001, Art Ruiz was elected to the CHCI Board of Directors.

-State Farm is currently looking into providing an internship opportunity for a future CHCI Fellow in Washington D.C. zone office.

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