

**WHITE HOUSE INITIATIVE
ON EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE FOR HISPANICS
EVIDENCE-BASED PROGRAMS FOR HISPANIC MALES
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MY BROTHER'S KEEPER

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501.c.3 established in 1988

Mission:

To strengthen, rebalance, and/or redevelop the traditional "Compadre" extended family system, based on the principles of "Un Hombre Noble" (A Noble Man).

Cadre of Experts:

NCN brings together culturally competent nationally recognized leaders in the fields of fatherhood, rites of passage, health, education, family violence, teen pregnancy prevention, cultural competence, juvenile justice, social services, advocacy, trauma, healing and evidence based.

What We Do:

NCN works in partnership with community leaders and decision makers to create strategic and sustainable systems of change and provides support in the areas of training, technical assistance, collective impact building, research, leadership development, and resource and material development.

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El Joven Noble Curriculum



El Joven Noble Rites of Passage, Character Development Program, is a youth development, support, and leadership enhancement program that provides a process and a vehicle for the continued “rites of passage” development of youth ages 10-24.

Educational
Achievement

Mental Health
Services

Substance Abuse

Faith Based
Youth Groups

Teen Pregnancy
Prevention

Anger Management

Gang Prevention &
Intervention

Mentorship
Programs

Foster Care Youth



La Cultura Cura JOVEN NOBLE Philosophy

I AM A BLESSING
DIGNITY

I HAVE
SACRED PURPOSE
RESPECT

PALABRA

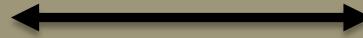
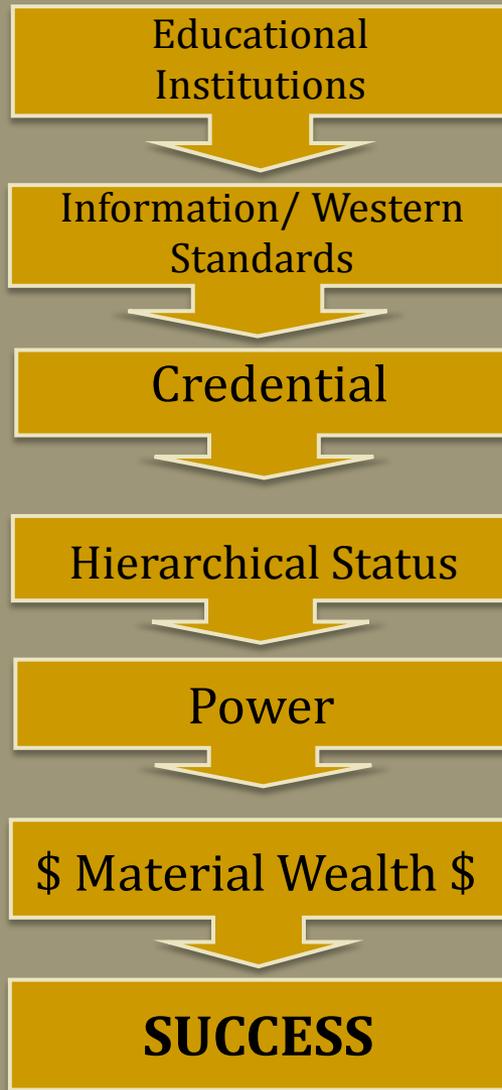
Integrity and Commitment

PEOPLE TO TEACH
AND VALUE ME
LOVE

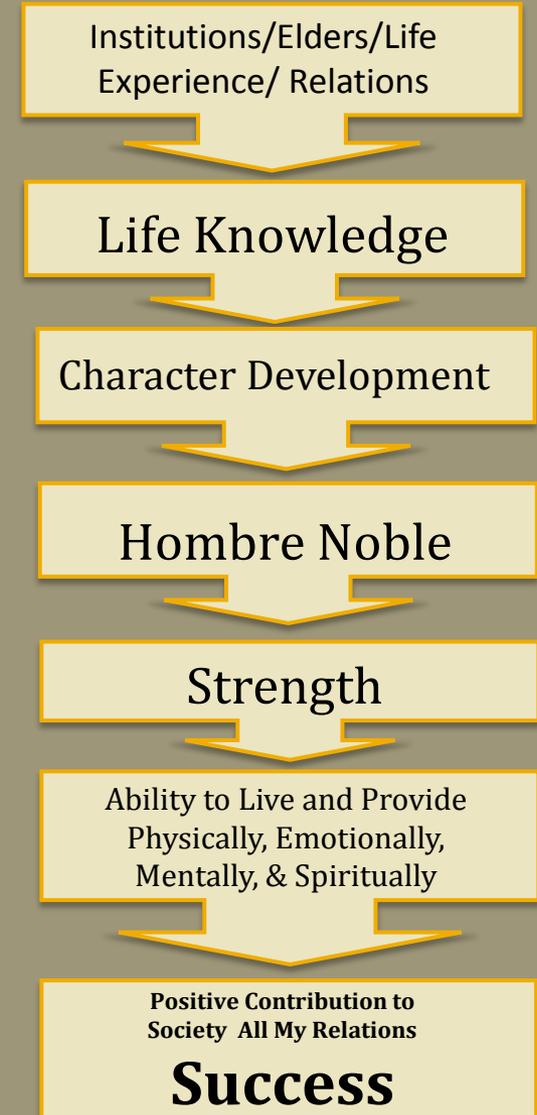
A SAFE PLACE FOR
LEARNING AND HEALING
TRUST

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Western/Contemporary Education



Indigenous/Traditional La Educacion



Theoretical formulation

Conocimiento (Acknowledgement):

- ❖ Positive Cultural Identity

Entendimiento (Understanding):

- ❖ Embracing and healing life's challenges

Integración (Integration):

- ❖ Finding Life's Purpose

Movimiento (Movement).

- ❖ Leadership & Service



Role of Circulo:

Healing and Extended Kinship

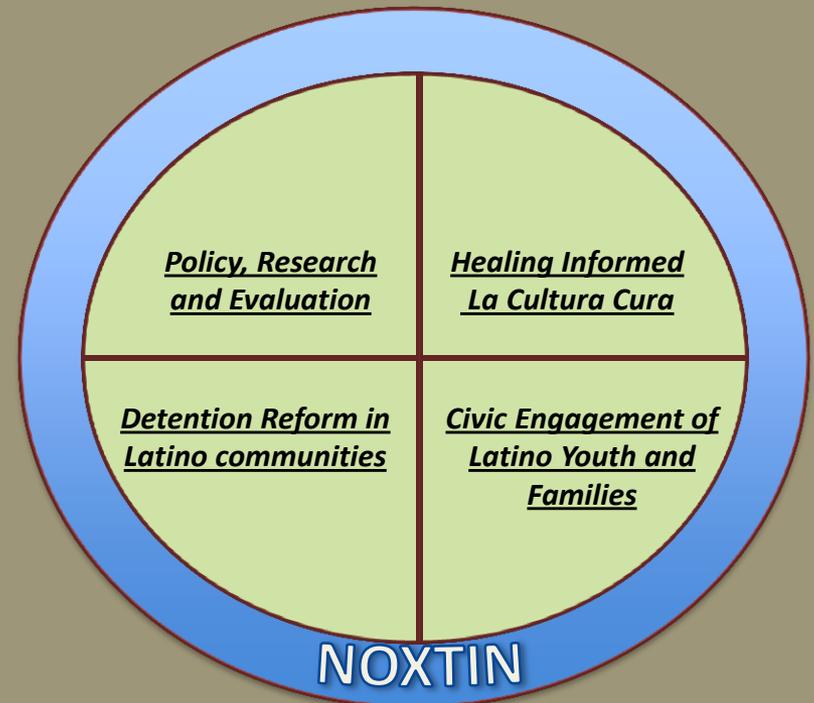
This “rites of passage” process includes the recruitment, training, and establishment of a Chicano/Latino *Compadres Network* (Extended Kinship) to serve as guides, leaders, mentors who support in a fashion similar to that of tios (uncles) in the traditional family. This is an essential phase in transitioning the young men to provide support network upon completion of the program.



La Cultura Cura Healing Informed Strategies to:

End School to Prison Pipeline!

Transform Juvenile Justice Systems across the nation



Culture-Based Evaluation

- ❖ Focus on interconnectedness – Healthy relationships
- ❖ Balanced – success is defined in acknowledging Gifts and Baggage
- ❖ Participatory – Relevant stakeholders participate
- ❖ Respectful of healing process
- ❖ Institutions are “Curative”; rehabilitative; they support pro-social behavior promoted by support family, school and rites



Outcomes: Measures of Effectiveness

– Behaviors (most robust and desirable)

❖ Knowledge

❖ Attitudes

❖ Beliefs

❖ Skills

Should be *related* to desired behavior



Outcome Domains: What do we measure?

- ❖ Relationship to our life, purpose:
 - Spirituality/ Values
 - Service to others
- ❖ Ethnic identity
- ❖ Educational Achievement
- ❖ Occupation/Vocation



Outcome Domains: What do we measure?

- **Relationships to Others:**
 - **Ancestors:** Gratitude to those that have provided direction,
 - **Compañeros:** Relationships with Family and Friends,
 - **Future Generations:** Impact on others



The National Compadres Network's La Cultura Cura (LCC) National Impact:

- ❖ Over Half a Million individuals via presentations and conferences
- ❖ 50,000 individuals have attended our LCC 4 hour Training
- ❖ In the last 10 years over 2,500 have been trained on LCC Curriculums

Institutions Trained

School Districts	Mental Health	Substance Abuse
Faith Based	Military	Non-Profit
Youth Centers	Tribal Based	Foster Care
Government	Social Services	Probation



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