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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Circles of Support

Healing and Development
La Cultura Cura

Men & Women of Honor
Family Violence Prevention with Returning Veterans

Cara y Corazón
Family Strengthening Curriculum

Fire and Water
Youth Violence, Substance Abuse Prevention Program

Raising Children with PRIDE
Teen Fatherhood Curriculum

Hombres Buscando Balance
Domestic Violence Healing Program

Hombres/Familias Que Cuentan
Fathers/Family Literacy Curriculum

Xinantzli
Female Rites of Passage Program

Amor de Padre
A Father’s Love Curriculum

El Joven Noble
Youth Rites of Passage Character Development

Mama’s Love
Mothers Raising Sons Curriculum

Elders Circle’s

Community Circles

WOMEN’S CIRCLES

MEN’S CIRCLES

Youth Circles

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Community Circles

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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

- Educational Institutions
- Information/Western Standards
- Credential
- Hierarchical Status
- Power
- $ Material Wealth $
- SUCCESS

Indigenous/Traditional La Educación

- Institutions/Elders/Life Experience/Relations
- Life Knowledge
- Character Development
- Hombre Noble
- Strength
- Ability to Live and Provide Physically, Emotionally, Mentally, & Spiritually
- Positive Contribution to Society All My Relations
- Success

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Theoretical formulation

Conocimiento (Acknowledgement):
- Positive Cultural Identity

Entendimiento (Understanding):
- Embracing and healing life’s challenges

Integración (Integration):
- Finding Life’s Purpose
- 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

- Policy, Research and Evaluation
- Healing Informed La Cultura Cura
- Detention Reform in Latino communities
- Civic Engagement of Latino Youth and Families

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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
National Impact of La Cultura Cura
Last 30 Years

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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