

2011 Advocacy Agenda: With a main goal of increasing the political representation of Latinos in government and in the political process; the Caucus focuses on an agenda this year to advocate on behalf of the Latino Community through:

- **Education:** Advocate for (1) appointment of Latino on School Board; and (2) commitment to funding for recreational diversionary programs for Latino youth.
- **Housing:** Support (1) stronger emphasis in new housing development on unit set asides for very low income families; and (2) a housing voucher set aside program to guarantee certain public housing to Latino families.
- **Healthcare:** Advocate for increased funding for outreach to the Latino community to enroll in the District's open enrollment health insurance program.
- **Safe Communities:** Support (1) expansion of MPD Latino Liaison Unit; and (2) clear rules prohibiting the collection of immigration status data as a requirement for receiving housing, health care and education services as well as dealings with police.

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The District of Columbia Latino Caucus “DC Latino Caucus,” is an Organization that advocates for Latino interests. It serves as a channel for the participation and involvement of Latinos in civic engagement and political activities within the greater Washington, D.C. metropolitan area. This includes, but is not limited to: serving as an independent citizens’ lobbying group before metropolitan area officials, city administrators, neighborhood associations, and other organized groups. Through its PAC, the DC Latino Caucus PAC, the DC Latino Caucus will promote Latino involvement in the political process through voter registration and education projects; endorsing specific Democratic Party candidates and candidates who are seeking an elective or appointed office affecting the Washington metropolitan area; and providing personnel and financial assistance to endorsed candidates in accordance with applicable Federal, state and local laws.

Please join the DC Latino Caucus at any of our future events:

Meeting Place: Josephine Butler Center 2437 15th Street NW, Washington, DC 20009.

Some of our main Committees are:

DC Latino Caucus PAC Committee: Committee in charge of monitoring PAC account with the DC Office of Campaign Finance (OCF). Committee in charge of managing elections for Ex-Officio seats to the DC Democratic State Committee. Keeps and maintains Guidelines and Procedures that govern DC Latino Caucus PAC.

Advocacy Committee: This committee of “Caucus Advocates” will: Review pending legislation and offer testimony; monitor government agencies for compliance; engage DC Council and Executive agency staff in the Advocacy Agenda areas; and educate the Latino community on the political process.

Finance and Fundraising Committee: The Finance Committee shall adopt and execute a yearly fundraising plan made in accordance with the budget developed by the Executive Committee.

The DC Latino Caucus engages in voter registration and education projects as well as in endorsing Democratic Party candidates for public office who agree with the Caucus’ goals for improved quality of life and representation for Latinos.

The DC Latino Caucus stands for:

- Equal Political Representation: the right to direct election of local elected officials.
- Justice in Housing: real reform that keeps Latino families in the District through times of prosperity not just adversity.
- Equal Access to Healthcare: culturally competent and humane healthcare that is responsive to the Latino community’s needs.
- Free and Appropriate Education: culturally competent education that integrates Latino youth as productive participants of society.
- Equal Employment Opportunities: enhanced job training and government contracting opportunities to integrate Latino workers and businesses into the mainstream workforce.
- Safe Communities: immigrant-friendly, culturally competent community policing.

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