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I will celebrate. I think I have got.

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Speaker 2

Off on one day.

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With the anniversary joint in Orlando and I serve as the.

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Speaker 2

President of the corporation.

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Speaker 2

What a know you have to do.

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You have offended. But I think that the level of you can't even fathom, like the idea.

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Speaker 2

That there's nothing you can. Before we began our celebration, I like to think they are part.

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I know the basket from one of our own going to California.

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Speaker 2

University.

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Unknown

At the university. And we'll let you remain here when you.

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Speaker 2

Become one of our local favorite. Well, everyone here has their own individual wisdom for being here. We have corporate sponsors. We have friends, family, people that came with our honorees, with our recipients. Whatever the reason, the fact that you are here. Sure. That all an honorary member of this canonization family. We welcome you and we receive you with a big hug that.

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I'd like to introduce you to the head of the foundation family, our board of directors.

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Speaker 2

And board members, the fan and remaining family.

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And if I call everybody's name, I'll be going to our past President Yar'Adua, vice president, a number of other secretaries here that have you know what I think of office are the board members, but it is anyone

that area. But it is for the fact that the number in our own in residence that they have gone to canonization is very important in terms of commitment.

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What I'm trying to.

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Speaker 2

Say about this year in our mission is that the philanthropy, the ability, motivation.

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Is received. I hope that all of you tonight that you see.

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Speaker 2

The richness.

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Of your and accomplishment, that honoring that experience is.

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Speaker 2

A tremendous potential. There are some examples that you enjoy here in our efforts.

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To carry out our mission. It is an honor and out to our list of service.

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Speaker 2

A native of, you know, an audience.

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That you can really, really talk. I left early, but I will speak without.

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Speaker 2

Going back here on TV. That was a new.

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Center in 1998, and soon after we became the core anchor of the new Center for Saturday Morning and Youth Center.

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Speaker 2

For something we are currently has no.

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Idea. That will obviously a familiar face on television. And we.

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Speaker 2

Earned two Emmy.

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Awards for her work. She is also listed on the Council of American Women and.

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Speaker 2

Was named one of America's top 100 talent in communications by.

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Speaker 3

Hispanic U.S. magazine.

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Speaker 2

Please join me in welcoming ceremony.

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If I do not.

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Speaker 2

The best thing.

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About that was I got to ride in the party just for a Catholic.

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Unknown

Thank you all. Wonderful to be here. That was a pretty show before we even know where to go from here. All right. I want to thank Chicago.

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Speaker 2

Foundation.

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For allowing me to be here with all the women as they move ahead, because we have.

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Speaker 2

Worked very hard to move forward. We have an exciting program planned and many more women are recognized. So I hope you forgive the journalist in me. But I was looking at my watch and I think we're working on seeing each other.

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And it seems like every time I go the program, we always like it. And if you notice the cooking, we having a great.

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Speaker 2

Warrior on his plate. Anyway, this is one of the honors.

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So anyway, I'm here to keep us all on Scandal, which we're already off. I have power. But I say this because we have our new show, 15 minutes. So I believe we're going to get out of here on time for the dance at 9:00 with Dr. Paul. So all on the telephone, people will have all the way. You're of David.

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So I want to introduce so.

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Speaker 2

We can move on. A longtime supporter of the Chicano Foundation.

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Brother in law Charles from Saint Mary's College. Right now. I had a great.

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Speaker 3

Support here at the opening day. We're about.

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To log on and we can have a few religious reps before we we're able in this moment of.

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Speaker 3

Celebration.

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You know, the National prayer. So that's where our our our people can focus and.

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Speaker 3

Remember why we're here. Paul, We are here in gratitude. One of you come for your campaign for the Chicano Foundation that has been in existence for 15 years. That is fantastic. And the membership people brought so much love, so much dedication to keep raising money for scholarships, protocols. Nothing has. We are grateful to be honoring Paul through the registration to the modeling example.

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Speaker 3

Service have been an inspiration to all of us. God help us in so many ways. We are grateful. All our students are charged. The those people are present. They are our future leaders. They will be 15, 20 years now, will be coming up here. We're also for their honors and also to support something like this scholarships for Hispanic women.

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Speaker 3

We are grateful to the sponsors who have donated generously and all the girls We participated in the funding for college funding this morning to celebrate you, for your people, also for you. Be careful. We share music shared by him in London, where a room comes out of my windows. And that's really what counts about money. And we pray for the continued success of our combination and the past and present memory.

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And the future. As we continue to expand framework, we have one person.

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Speaker 3

In.

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Seattle starting in just a.

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Speaker 2

Few moments. And while you can, I wanted to introduce a few people with us tonight.

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We have the senior vice president of in America, Jim Redmond, an actor appearing in Crocodile Dundee and the Future.

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Speaker 2

King to be seen on tape.

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You may likely come up as the national co-chair of the Clinton campaign. That doesn't provide a huge impact on an attorney and fire commissioner in San Francisco. Now the Bay Area co-chair for the Latino campaign, Norma, calling on me for that all radical feminist with no family values. Tomorrow, Sunday and 3 p.m. at the unified demo headquarters, top Latino and Latina.

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Speaker 2

Campaign staff of the Clinton and Gore campaign are going to be in San Francisco, and they want to hear from Chicano Latino leaders to firm up the ideological one Clinton effort here in Northern California. So more invited to attend to take all your platform feminism, family values, ideas to that.

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We obviously Latinas have a lot on our list.

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Speaker 2

So I'm sure that you can provide those for the Clinton-Gore campaign. Your attendance is critical. You can complicated dollars or remembering, and I'm sure that they will be able to tell you where to go. That gun registry and the kinds of ideas you can bring with you.

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So that's my announcement. You can get or now.

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Speaker 2

You can.

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I'll give you 10 minutes of and while you're talking with your neighbors, I.

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Speaker 2

Hope you don't want to admit this, but if you've got a birthday. So yesterday, they call you on the next two days.

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We're going to have a surprise for you later so you all can play around the table and find out. We've got a lot of birthday and I'll have not everybody's is 29. I'll wait. I really and this is anyone that thought that I was very generous I gave you an extra 20 minutes. I know that I just be harder to deal.

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Speaker 2

With this hour.

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But we do have a wonderful program ahead and we want to get it moving. So I'm going to start off I'm going to ask your support and help on this, because I know some of you are still eating. They're going to be removing conditions. It's going to be a little noisy.

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Speaker 2

And we know we want to pay attention to what's going on here so you can eat quietly alone. You just as quietly or whatever. I can show respect for.

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The folks who come up here. I'm going to acknowledge a few people. I'm going to.

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Speaker 2

Apologize that I got up at 4:00 this morning because I live in San Jose and I have to drive a lot to the city to do the broadcast at 8:00 in the morning. So I may I don't blame it on the fact that it's been a long day, but I obliquely refer to this dear and wonderful man. But I want to do acknowledge him once again, writer, movie director of La Bamba and founder and director of The Apple.

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Speaker 2

You know, we found that some wonderful supporters.

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From guidelines calling for the president, Lynda Carter, expert witness, the senior legal counsel for Kaiser.

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Speaker 2

Foundation Health, Bob Erickson.

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This is the first.

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Speaker 2

Believe it or not, and I believe it's going to become an annual banquet for the Chicano Foundation. And obviously it has become a prestigious organization because you are all here and there are 300 people in attendance for its first annual banquet weekend. And obviously they welcome working here.

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But let me tell you why we're all here. And I'm going to give you a little history.

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Speaker 2

15 years ago, three women who were attending a college in the Bay Area realized that not only did the school they were attending not recognize the cultural differences, but there weren't any groups or organizations around that they could turn to for support. We all recognize that feeling.

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So they turn to each other. The three of them recruited a few of their friends and.

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Speaker 2

They got three friends to form an organization that would encourage and provide an incentive for Latinas to continue their education. They would accomplish this by providing scholarships and establishing those Also important and valuable role models. This organization would also provide women with the help tools needed to succeed in their careers and empower them personally. The year was 1977 and the Chicano Foundation was born today.

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Speaker 2

That you call Foundation is one of the most active Latino organizations.

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In the Bay Area, and they're proud to say they have awarded hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarships.

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Speaker 2

Hopefully, and really have truly changed women's lives.

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One of the wonderful role models, one of the wonderful women that.

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Speaker 2

We're glad to applaud and support, the kind of women that we as Latinos like to see come out of our community is our guest speaker tonight. And she can better talk to you about how you take all that stuff you learn in school and you turn it to the public, brought it to the board of your community before enrolling at Yale Law School.

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Speaker 2

Our speakers spent years studying at the University of Central Venezuela. In fact, she went there as a Rotary Foundation international scholar. She is now an attorney and public advocate at San Francisco based public interest law firm where she works, upholding the rights of Hispanics and women. And she's also proud to say that through high school, she danced in the ballet club.

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Speaker 2

Please join me in welcoming our guest speaker Carmilla. Thank or good evening, ladies and gentlemen. For us, it is truly an honor to be invited by the Chicano Foundation to address you tonight. It is an honor to be in the company of tonight's distinguished honorees and scholarship recipients, and I extend to you my heartfelt congratulations.

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Tonight, we are here to celebrate Wilkinson here at the Chicano Foundation.

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Speaker 2

Representing 15 years of this organization's membership, striving to promote the personal and professional development of Latinas.

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And for me, one of the most significant attributes of the Chicago Foundation is the fact that it is an organization comprised of and led by Latina women who are assisting other Latinas to better themselves and attain that higher education.

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Speaker 2

And the Chicano Foundation is comprised of individuals who themselves have achieved professional prominence and serve as role models for the young ladies they themselves promote. I join you in applauding their 15 years of accomplishments Tonight, in choosing to call their 50th anniversary of Quinceanera, the Chicano Foundation is embracing a Chicano tradition, a Mexican tradition. The Campanella has traditionally been an occasion where a young Latina at the age of 15 comes together with her friends and family in the church to celebrate the 15th birthday.

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And the beginning of her womanhood. The kids together can be.

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Speaker 2

Seen as promoting a limited world view, a view where the young woman is prepared for womanhood and matrimony. But I think that the foundation is in choosing to call their 50th anniversary of keeping.

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It up and moving beyond the limitation and embracing a broader sense of what it means to be Chicana.

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Speaker 2

And to become a woman Born means pursuing your higher education and pursuing professional goals, and it means your personal empowerment as a woman. So while embracing a tradition and respecting womanhood and matrimony, the Chicano Foundation is valiantly looking forward to a new era. And that is the era where the women of our community will continue to advance far beyond all expectation.

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Unknown

And this area is also the advancements.

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Speaker 2

That Latinas have made in a long struggle to achieve equality. And as a result of that struggle, there are a myriad of professional opportunities that are available today to the young Latina who want to strive in their higher education in the professional career. This new era represents a time.

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When Latina can achieve higher than ever before. And as Latinas, we are focusing on our own self empowerment.

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Speaker 2

And through that we are striving to empower the entire Latino community. And tonight, I will focus my remarks on what it means for me to be empowered as a Latina. And I will speak about empowerment tonight because I do feel empowered as a Latina armed with my education and a commitment to social justice, I feel I am ready to take on any challenge, and I don't think there's much of anything that can stand in my way.

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Speaker 2

And I am optimistic that.

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All the Latino community is moving forward in this direction. And my way of thinking empowerment. Empowerment is not something someone has to with a.

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Speaker 2

Sense of empowerment. It's something we foster ourselves from within. We feel it as individuals. We draw on our own strength and we recognize our own potential and we take steps to achieve it. And then we set new goals if we reached the ones we set before. As a young person, I thought to empower myself. I was doing my higher education.

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Speaker 2

I began at San Jose State University and transferred to UC Berkeley after ten years where.

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Received my degree. I spent a year studying in South America in order to expand my worldview. And then when I returned, I.

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Speaker 2

Began school at Yale after attending law school at Yale with a very significant experience in my life. And it really did help to foster my sister's empowerment. Well, I was the only Chicano in the class of 1990.

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One at Yale. And what that fostered in me being in that ivory tower.

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Speaker 2

What I learned about what real power is. And I learned how the law can be a powerful tool. I saw how law can make way for the reaction of Latinos as a community. And I also learned how the legal system has the potential to take away the gains that we have made thus far.

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I saw that because law is going to be waged by ideology and politics. So being the only check on that bill.

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Speaker 2

For me was a.

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Stark reminder that the opportunities are still limited for our community. So I have spent nine years of my life pursuing my higher education. And when I when I think about empowerment.

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Speaker 2

I think about setting goals and never letting up in the face of obstacles. I think empowerment is about taking control of your life and determining your own future. And to the young Chicana scholarship recipients in the audience tonight, I encourage you to do the same. Clearly, you've already begun. You now have the opportunity to make the most of your higher education.

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Speaker 2

You are in a unique position within the Latino community to be able to say that you are going to college. So I say make the most of it. It's hard work, but you won't regret it. And after you reach your educational goal, professional world life before you, where you have abundant opportunity and the need for Latinas to excel in their educational and professional.

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Endeavors is greater now than ever before. Well, we have made many gains.

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Speaker 2

And while individuals like Latinas have many opportunities, the Latino community as a whole is slipping further into poverty in the areas of education, employment.

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And health, it will serve as a stark example of how Latinos continue to be at a disadvantage in our society. For example.

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Speaker 2

In the area of education, we find that Latinos have the highest dropout rate of any ethnic group. Just this past week, newspapers reported that the high school dropout rate is falling for all except Latinos, where it continues to rise. The Latino educational condition has been characterized by low grade level enrollment, segregation and substandard schools, tracking into vocational and special ed programs and high rates of illiteracy.

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Speaker 2

And the results speak for themselves. Latino adults are eight times as likely to be known to be illiterate as non-Latinos. The percentage of Latino high school graduate graduates who own college is below 30%, and most Latino college students are involved in community college, where the transfer rate remains disappointingly low and low. Educational attainment translates into limited employment opportunities.

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Speaker 2

Looking at Chicanos specifically, we suffer from low wages and occupational segregation. Studies confirm that the most frequent occupation is that of a machine operator, followed by clerical and service workers. We heavily predominate in the food processing, electronics and garment industry. Both Latino men and women are most often employed in both and jobs, and this is reflected in the fact that you have the lowest per capita income of compared to either black or white.

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Speaker 2

And this socioeconomic disparity between Latinos and other Americans is reflected in the Latino health status. Latinos are most at risk in the current health care crisis, which is existing in this country. Of the over 6 million medically underserved in California, over 50% are Latino. Two out of every three Latinos under the age of 65 in California are without health insurance.

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Speaker 2

Latinos are less likely than either whites or African-Americans to have health coverage. Working Latinos suffer disproportionately from a lack of health insurance. In 1990, 34.4% of working age Latinos lacked health insurance, compared to 13% of whites and 22% of African-Americans. And because good health is a product of educational, occupational, economic and spiritual well-being, spiritual well-being, the impoverished health status of Latinos as a group is a symptom of the greater problem.

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Of the lack of equality in many critical areas. I would also like to.

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Speaker 2

Briefly touch upon one specific area that impacts Latinas as a woman, and this is a problem that the women of our community are confronting that is rarely spoken about nor dealt with, and that is the problem of sexual discrimination and sexual harassment on the job. I have personally been appalled at stories I've heard from fellow Latino professionals about being the victims of sexual discrimination or sexual harassment.

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Speaker 2

Too many of us say that has happened to me, to women who, because of their educational and professional accomplishments, should be respected and admired by the men of their community, by all men, and instead degraded and devalued, it is time to put an end to the silence surrounding sexual discrimination and sexual harassment of Latinas. And it is time to hold the men who engage in this vile behavior accountable.

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Speaker 2

Women who have the personal strength and integrity to speak out against the perpetrators of such conduct must be supported. And Professor Anita Hill serves as an example to all women and the courage that she showed in coming forward.

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On this issue. I touch briefly on the.

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Speaker 2

Areas of education, employment and health as a reality check on the grave situation we are facing, even though we are confronting a new area of opportunity. Because while opportunity may abound for those of us fortunate enough to have an education, many are left behind in poverty and completely lacking that sense of empowerment, unspoken, and sometimes even having an education and profession is enough to prevent to protect us from becoming victims of discrimination.

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Speaker 2

And in the current economic climate, conditions are worsening. Employment and poverty is growing. The importance of the upcoming election could not be underestimated. I have driven to find a framework in which to channel my sense of social justice, and I like the life of Chicago. Foundations embrace tradition while still looking ahead, and the tradition I braves embrace is that Chicagoans and for there is a strong tradition of feminism in the Chicano community.

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Speaker 2

In the sixties and seventies, the Chicano feminist movement developed which addressed issues specific to Chicanos and women of color. The Chicano Feminist Agenda sought to expose and combat the oppressive oppression of Japan by both the dominant Anglo society and from within the China community. Chicano feminists were critical of the oppressive elements that Chicano culture, which they saw as curtailing their opportunities for advancement.

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Speaker 2

Chicano feminist adopt an approach which involved holding ourselves accountable when appropriate and holding others accountable when they should be. Feminists took on the difficult task of holding the men of our communities accountable for the oppression of Latinos.

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And I think you got a feminism that's about overcoming oppression. It's about channeling our.

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Speaker 2

Energy in a positive direction towards social change. It's about running into walls and breaking them down. We must move forward in a direction that makes room for the advancement of others. It's about fighting stereotypes about our things like women and Latina, Chicano feminism is about empowerment, and I urge each and every one of us in that you've got a feminist tradition as women and men, as Latinas and Latinas, to combat racism, sexism and homophobia within our own communities.

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Speaker 2

But we should never tolerate from one another that which we will not tolerate from.

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Society at large. And I look to that you got it done. This approach of.

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Speaker 2

Inspirational and motivational in my work for empowerment of the entire Latino community, in my professional capacity. I've been working now as a public interest attorney for a year, focusing on

minority rights. And I have seen as an advocate on behalf of Latinos a dearth of Latino professionals out there who have the opportunity to do this type of work.

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Speaker 2

In just three of the areas I've worked on in the past year, I've found Latino representation to be lacking at many levels. For example, I'm involved in the proceedings before the Public Utilities Commission, where my firm is proposing a rate increase that the telephone company is proposing and we are opposing that increase on behalf of the Latino community, arguing that Latinos currently do not have adequate access to phone service.

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Speaker 2

And if the rates are reduced, then they will suffer disproportionately and be cut out of telecommunications. There are no Latinos in this proceeding. There are no Latinos on the Public Utilities Commission. In fact, one of the public utilities commissioners is the president of US English, which is an anti bilingualism organization. So is this particular arena. I have really seen a need for more representation of Latino interests.

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Speaker 2

Another area I've worked in involves universal access to health care. As I've already mentioned, two Latinos suffered disproportionately from the crisis in our health care system. Yet with all the proposals that are currently before Congress and in the state legislature, there has not been any representation of Latino interests. And I have been working with a group of Latino health care policy experts, experts to develop a Latino position on universal access to health care, with the hope of bringing some of our interests to this critical policy debate.

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Speaker 2

A third area where I've seen a lack of Latino involvement has been in the banking area, and I have seen my friends analyze statistics which show that the denial rate for home loans for African-Americans and Latinos are greater than the denial rate for Anglos. And this is not the issue of home loan rates, but this goes to business development in the Latino community.

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Speaker 2

This goes to having more Latinos represented in corporate America. And so what I have found in my work is that there is a need for more Latinos to be shaping this critical policy debate that are affecting us at every level, every day. So there is a need for Latinos have advocates and a need for Latinos in corporate America to also advocate for our interests.

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Unknown

And the final place where I find my.

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Speaker 2

Strength and motivation to move ahead is looking to another tradition a more family oriented tradition. And that's the traditions I see embodied in persons like my.

00:35:55:21 - 00:36:01:19

Unknown

Grandmothers and my mother. But many of us have mothers and grandmothers who did not have the.

00:36:01:19 - 00:36:26:00

Speaker 2

Educational and professional opportunities which have benefited and enriched our lives. Yet these are women who have shown us the way that they have led their lives. But you don't necessarily need an education to achieve greatness in your life. For example, my Grandma Castellano has raised five children on her own, but working the fields in the Central Valley.

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Unknown

That was entirely on her own for many years. And I admire the strength and persistence.

00:36:31:16 - 00:36:59:28

Speaker 2

It must have taken to survive in those difficult circumstances. My earliest memories of my Grandma Ramirez involved visiting her at a store she owned called the Mexico Meat Market, located on Main Street in Watsonville, California, where she made the best tamales in town and owning the Mexican meat market and running it herself was no small accomplishment for someone who lacked a high school education.

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Speaker 2

I and then I look to my mother, Carmen Castillo, who commands the respect and admiration of her coworkers and all who knew her, who had served on community in various capacities and continues to do so, and for me is a person of incredible strength of character and an integrity unmatched. I think what we need to do is remember that this new era that has provided us all this opportunity is built upon the groundwork that others, such as our grandmothers and our mothers have played.

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Speaker 2

We are the beneficiaries of the sacrifices that they have made and we are building on their strengths. Congratulations to the Chicano Foundation and all the award recipients Tonight, and I join you in moving forward and your new era. In the new era where Chicanos and Latinos will continue to strive and reach heights that we can't.

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Unknown

Even imagine yet. Thank you. Thank you for those very timely and very courageous.

00:38:19:11 - 00:39:06:29

Speaker 2

Words from a very young woman. Obviously, Camila embodies the spirit of what the Chicano Foundation is all about, and that is not only as we move ourselves forward professionals and in our personal goals, but then remember, we are also here to move our community forward. Thank you very much. Having a success You. But we're not going to go to the highlight of our evening here, the

Achievement awards and of course, our scholarship awardees in order to get to the dancing ladies, keep it short.

00:39:07:02 - 00:39:39:27

Speaker 2

They've already been given their marching orders. And now this is going to be a wonderful part of the program. Our first Latina achievement award goes to a woman that I know and have watched grow over the years. I remember her as a political appointee, a real young politician who grew to become an articulate, powerful advocate for the Latino community and the wonderful Latina role model.

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Speaker 2

She moved to San Jose at the age of 16. Her life, apart from being an unemployed single mother of 5 to 1 of the most influential Hispanic political voices in the state, first elected to the city council in 1980, making her the only Hispanic on the council. She also became the first Latina vice mayor in San Francisco. And fortunately, she is not going to be with us tonight.

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Speaker 2

But accepting for Councilwoman Blanca Laredo is the Chicano Foundation board member. Cecilia Foster, and I want to thank the Chicano Foundation and all its supporters for their attention to her. She regrets deeply not being able to be here tonight, but unfortunately, it's very easy to miss her daughter's wedding and there is no way he.

00:40:41:22 - 00:40:54:06

Unknown

Could be part of it. All that happened, for example, to us. We commend the nation.

00:40:54:09 - 00:41:37:00

Speaker 2

For its 15 years of dedicated work and actual genuine progress toward the goal of empowerment of Latinas. And it was particularly for the role and for the organization to play in helping Chicanos and support each other's work, that I feel that especially now, the work of this organization is very timely.

Just this last Wednesday, she was at the Hispanic Congressional Caucus dinner in Washington, DC, and she said to me just yesterday how impressed she was with the number of Latinas that are in that group now, have been active for 25 years.

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Unknown

As a community organizer and political worker.

00:41:41:18 - 00:42:11:24

Speaker 2

Said that she was moved to include that for the first time in these women. She saw the result of a generation of hard work. She feels that especially now with so many of us and at a national level in leadership roles, that it's that much more important that we call on each other and reach out to, to increase the impact that each of us can have.

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Speaker 2

Latina looks forward to working with the organization and all its supporters over the next year, over the next two years, and she told me that she will surely be here in our.

00:42:21:25 - 00:42:32:28

Unknown

Next celebration to share. Thank you so.

00:42:33:02 - 00:42:36:20

Speaker 2

A lot that is already dear.

00:42:36:23 - 00:42:45:04

Unknown

We'll get to ask our next honoree as director of the public health Department for Alameda County.

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Speaker 2

She oversees a \$57 million operating budget and more than 700 employees. She has come a long way from the humble beginnings of working as a dishwasher at a local restaurant. Complementing her professional success, she remains active in community affairs, including serving as first vice chair of the Hispanic affairs Council. Our next honoree, Yolanda Valerie.

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Unknown

Neal I had been a waitress.

00:43:22:25 - 00:43:24:01

Speaker 2

That dishwasher.

00:43:24:03 - 00:43:38:05

Unknown

After plate, but now, you know, I was informed a couple a few.

00:43:38:06 - 00:44:02:01

Speaker 2

Weeks ago that I was being honored at this particular dinner. First of all, I had I was amazed. I was actually taken by the show, whether it was for real. And then I started thinking I may have to speak in front of a whole bunch of people and make it happen. And I thought, you know, this group on my face like that, because I thought a week about all the things I wanted to discuss.

00:44:02:01 - 00:44:09:03

Speaker 2

But today, the last week, they called me up and said, you know, I just want to make sure that, you know, you have a whole minute.

00:44:09:06 - 00:44:13:16

Unknown

That we all have can highlight one thing.

00:44:13:19 - 00:44:29:28

Speaker 2

One of the major things is I wanted to use this very special opportunity to acknowledge some of the people who have invested in me or have believed in me to have gained some of the people that I used to take away with that the first lady is my mother.

00:44:30:00 - 00:44:47:15

Unknown

My wife is that which like like you have to look at them.

00:44:47:16 - 00:45:10:00

Speaker 2

In a third going on to do anything and then to focus on that. It was my oldest is involved in it and a lot of you get on the left hand media in for that. Okay. Fascinated by the significant factors that, you know, you get something you have that the history that the family has so that you have family and stay together.

00:45:10:02 - 00:45:13:16

Speaker 2

And I think that's what's given me a lot of the basis of what I do.

00:45:13:19 - 00:45:24:04

Unknown

But I have it has I just like home to other people.

00:45:24:07 - 00:45:25:09

Speaker 2

Many of them are here.

00:45:25:09 - 00:45:31:28

Unknown

And I'm going to try to go chronologically. So I remember the people that are here for.

00:45:32:02 - 00:45:54:21

Speaker 2

College early years, they had a few role models that have been very significant. A lot I think was well, but they have an eagerness to hear something and they ended up when I was very young and they were very young to,

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Unknown

But these women.

00:45:55:28 - 00:46:19:08

Speaker 2

Were really the role models for me. There were not very many people around them, but these were very to various standing women. I mean, I was really much better than Thalia, but both of those are the only strong models of a strong Chicano strong. And that's what I wanted to be when I grew up next to what I wanted to be.

00:46:19:10 - 00:46:40:09

Speaker 2

And nobody ever called here to manage the people that I have that hold my head, shoulders for a moment trying to and and they have seen me before marriage, after marriage, before children and their and those are some of Michael Murphy. And there's Evelyn and Malcolm about fantastic husbands but also.

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Unknown

Very into I know you've been here with them too so I like to.

00:46:46:02 - 00:47:02:23

Speaker 2

Think that yes. Thank you for being there often that table there is my baby sister. My baby sister is quite a bit younger than me and she did my hand.

00:47:02:26 - 00:47:06:03

Unknown

That she was the other woman I to that.

00:47:06:10 - 00:47:26:24

Speaker 2

Idea for took me a couple of years to go to a place. Now I think it's just wonderful just being young. She found out that are coming in and in the field of administration. When I started in the administration, I was one of the very few actually that were having this kind of ownership that it would be a distraction if they failed to see some young woman coming in.

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Speaker 2

And I could just see their potential is very, very warm idea is one of those women. So eventually and then those are a couple of people here. They have been my mentors, they have taken me, they have taken me under their wing as my supervisors and have held me over the years. They have become my biggest advocates we can do.

00:47:49:03 - 00:48:04:15

Speaker 2

I think that you can point to a few, Judy, is why. But when I left, I started working within the couple placement. When I was doing effortlessly and with poise, I had to learn that I didn't want to ask any questions to.

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Speaker 3

4030 in the evening.

00:48:06:25 - 00:48:32:03

Speaker 2

We had. He would not only give me the legislative history, he would tell me the public school was involved and give me a home. And then I went to meet the office by 7:00 and I had Saturday evening. I asked my question, Is there any ever needed? I knew that for the first time he was laughing that he's probably still doing it just.

00:48:32:05 - 00:48:34:20

Unknown

The other person that has been a real mentor to me and.

00:48:34:20 - 00:48:56:16

Speaker 2

Supporter is that if he doesn't hear this, let him be a friend now, like his wife, we are. We got to work together as department head first and then we have a film together that can be my like. And that was very, very fortunate because over five years I worked with him. Since then we've been very, very close friends.

00:48:56:18 - 00:49:17:16

Speaker 2

He's become my biggest fan. He's the person who's he might be the most of my dad, I guess, but now half the way, but my dad and anything that we can, he had an opportunity. He would get up to give speeches. And he was ever so proud of me that I would just want to day. I understand that was like that to me.

00:49:17:18 - 00:49:39:18

Speaker 2

Every time he puts in a function because I do not know and I don't know the way I felt with my father when he did that, but he thank you. The other person, very important. Chris And I'd like to introduce my husband. And the way to describe my husband is people come up to me very frequently and that is how do you do it?

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Speaker 2

How can we handle being a wife and mother, a person with your passion for the and on and on and on? And usually my answer is I'm married to a very special man, although I don't think anybody asked him the same question.

00:50:08:16 - 00:50:10:17

Unknown

I really hope I didn't forget anybody else.

00:50:10:17 - 00:50:32:14

Speaker 2

This one person who I don't think you hear today, I think he made it like that. He now it's okay. You're my guy. He took me to the county system. Coming from a community based organization, I think I would like to say this local and into the county, into the department, have put me on the same table with other department heads who were mostly men and mostly white, who have.

00:50:32:14 - 00:50:32:29

Speaker 3

Worked at.

00:50:32:29 - 00:50:55:05

Speaker 2

The structure for at least 18 to 25 years. That was not quite exactly welcome. That was also a lot of young Chicana from the community based organization and not completely consistent. And my pride and he supported me and he let me run responsible and he let me have that.

00:50:55:07 - 00:51:06:09

Unknown

So I helped the case, of course, to give the documentation. Thank you. All right. You can take.

00:51:06:09 - 00:51:25:19

Speaker 2

It away or email it. Right. And he gave me one idea to stand up on the line to congratulate you. My grandpa is believing in some of the that maybe he had one kid when every kid was born in the same place that he was. The ideals that they believe in, you know, they.

00:51:25:19 - 00:51:37:24

Unknown

Think they're good at and they had the grandchildren. They don't have a great, great grandchildren.

00:51:37:26 - 00:51:42:28

Speaker 2

So you can hear that my grandfather, if you got another place and I hope to be here when.

00:51:42:28 - 00:51:58:20

Unknown

You get to the next year. Our next nominee is president of the Palo Verde.

00:51:58:25 - 00:52:24:00

Speaker 2

She works with organizations in developing programs to expand their responsiveness to social, economic, cultural and political issues in their communities. Among her many affiliations, she chairs the California Identity Project for the UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center. She's vice chair of the Mission Reading Clinic Board secretary for the Latino Issues Forum and with the co-founder of the Bay Area Network of Latinas.

00:52:24:02 - 00:52:41:10

Speaker 2

Our next honoree, Wilma Espinosa.

00:52:41:12 - 00:52:49:04

Unknown

Thank you very much. I believe that each of us have a calling, but.

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Speaker 2

Unfortunately, most people do not have the great fortune of being able to do what they would like in life. My family has been a tremendous support and encouragement that I have received from my family, as evidenced by tonight. My mother is here from Colorado.

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Unknown

And I like her to thank my baby.

00:53:17:03 - 00:53:19:02

Speaker 2

Sister is here from Phenix.

00:53:19:04 - 00:53:30:24

Unknown

I'm really pleased about that because I call in all of my friends and I thank them and the.

00:53:30:24 - 00:53:38:06

Speaker 2

Chicano Foundation for the recognition I am receiving tonight to the girls from Valera's mentorship project. And I'd like.

00:53:38:06 - 00:53:49:28

Unknown

For them to stand by you to do.

00:53:50:00 - 00:54:00:13

Speaker 2

Your best work in school. Life is a continuous challenge, and with a good education you will be able to create own challenges and opportunities.

00:54:00:16 - 00:54:11:07

Unknown

Thank you very much.

00:54:11:09 - 00:54:41:02

Speaker 2

30 years ago, our next honoree began her political work with the civil rights movement. Among them both. She has also included letters from Mississippi, Viva La Raza, the struggle of the Mexican-American People and the Youngest Revolution. A personal report on Cuba. Her most recent book is 500 Years of Chicano History in Pictures, which has made her a popular speaker with young Latinos in college where she shares her rich experience in the struggle for social justice.

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Speaker 2

Our next honoree, Benito Martinez.

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Speaker 3

My, why did you left? Long enough?

00:55:01:14 - 00:55:13:13

Unknown

You know o come and you don't have to 25 years of to do it.

00:55:13:15 - 00:55:14:16

Speaker 3

Thank you very much.

00:55:14:19 - 00:55:19:19

Unknown

President Obama has taken a foundation on the COVID landscape.

00:55:19:19 - 00:55:34:03

Speaker 3

I think everybody wanted to welcome you here to make great. I mean, you've been there because I think for a long time I saw the great regional collapse. You know, full throated Chicano power. I think Chicano.

00:55:34:03 - 00:55:47:08

Unknown

Power, that's a real they go, I know you have to work on.

00:55:47:10 - 00:55:53:24

Speaker 3

So with my minute by minute and a half here, I think I would like to remember some Chicano.

00:55:53:26 - 00:55:55:23

Speaker 2

Who are not here tonight.

00:55:55:25 - 00:56:16:22

Speaker 3

But surely would be here if I could. Both of them lived in the Bay Area for quite a while. One of them is my dad in a motor bike. Gulliver was a child of migrant workers who went on to become a very devoted labor organizer.

00:56:16:25 - 00:56:22:05

Speaker 2

Teacher, journalist and an inspiration to all of us who came out of.

00:56:22:05 - 00:56:23:16

Speaker 3

Those years.

00:56:23:18 - 00:56:25:01

Speaker 2

Not so long ago.

00:56:25:03 - 00:56:28:18

Speaker 3

But still, we remember her. She died.

00:56:28:21 - 00:56:30:08

Speaker 2

In the early 1980s at.

00:56:30:08 - 00:56:41:23

Speaker 3

The age of 31, and she will not be forgotten. Michael in Florida.

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Unknown

And the other one who by.

00:56:43:27 - 00:56:58:13

Speaker 3

Coincidence, also died at the age of 31 in the 1980s and also is here tonight. I feel his spirit is to come out of college.

00:56:58:15 - 00:57:04:14

Unknown

I'm glad that you care for her, even if you don't know who she is. It's right to do that. She was the.

00:57:04:14 - 00:57:05:19

Speaker 2

First in her family.

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Speaker 3

To graduate from college. Like so many take on these things. And she went on to work in the field to.

00:57:13:11 - 00:57:16:01

Speaker 2

Work at a canneries, to work the factory.

00:57:16:03 - 00:57:20:14

Speaker 3

And finally to be a separate organizer of.

00:57:20:14 - 00:57:31:14

Speaker 2

Warehouse workers union workers. And she says, for me, what's like the land and water as an inspiration? Please, could you tell us a little more about.

00:57:31:16 - 00:57:55:16

Speaker 3

Whatever talent are really women among the many? Yeah, history kept me going despite me. And look in this part of it, we know a little bit more about our history. And so on that little note which is applied to all of you Young and Middle East and all of the American history, you know, your plays and in your movies about these people.

00:57:55:18 - 00:57:57:06

Speaker 3

They are a wonderful inspiration.

00:57:57:06 - 00:58:12:27

Unknown

And for all of you out there.

00:58:13:00 - 00:59:00:15

Speaker 2

Congratulations that they live. And if you remember, who knew that you got on? We thank our next awardee became the dean of counseling at Bard College, the vice chancellor of educational services at San Francisco Community College. Vice president, Student services at City College of San Francisco and counselor at West Valley College. She sits on a number of educational policy boards, including the California Association of Community Colleges, the College Board Admissions Committee, Latina Leadership Network, and the CSU Chancellor's Advisory Board on Hispanic issues.

00:59:00:17 - 00:59:34:07

Speaker 2

Our next awardee, Rosa Capps. Well, when I was told the minute I just gave up, I don't do anything in a minute.

00:59:34:09 - 00:59:38:05

Unknown

We got in this convention and it just.

00:59:38:05 - 00:59:53:10

Speaker 2

I think what the emotional feeling tonight is, it's about being in a room with so many old friends and now so many memories. I hadn't heard her name in a long time, and I knew her well. We did community organizing.

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Unknown

Together and a trip to the Soviet Union. She brought back a little plaque.

00:59:58:25 - 01:00:08:25

Speaker 2

That she gave me that I still have as an inspiration. So thank you for bringing her up. And I guess one of the things I do want to say to this group, the reason it's so hard to be honored.

01:00:08:25 - 01:00:14:21

Unknown

As an individual is because one of the things that I know about my life is that everything we've done, done together.

01:00:14:24 - 01:00:38:00

Speaker 2

We are we're such a family of people and such a great community, especially as I look around here and I see so many of you from La Seong in San Francisco, where I grew up on Bryan Streets and of course in Vietnam. But then 24 years and I and I see your friends. I mean, I know, I know Jim Gonzales.

01:00:38:00 - 01:00:49:21

Speaker 2

Certainly he was thin and had hair.

01:00:49:24 - 01:00:51:01

Unknown

You know, I mean, the thing.

01:00:51:01 - 01:00:52:29

Speaker 3

Is, is that we.

01:00:53:02 - 01:01:23:26

Speaker 2

Would be honored as an individual because everything I know in my life has come from the spirit of the people in this room and in other places. I learned community organizing as a youth worker in the mission district. And, you know, I took a heritage and started off with a monolingual Spanish thinking growing up of immigrant parents and going to public schools in the city and found that I was inspired to believe in myself by many of you here, believe in what I was doing and find that there was something I could contribute, not to me.

01:01:23:29 - 01:01:42:20

Speaker 2

I mean, that's the that's the thing about Latinos is that we never do things for ourselves and we find our lives when we find our energy, when we get empowered. We do it for our families, for our community, for the common good that we all work toward. And that's the beauty of who we are. So so I do is I accept this award for all of us here.

01:01:42:20 - 01:02:08:06

Speaker 2

And I really think that that our future is in our continued collective effort. One person I do want to acknowledge that you're speaking about that is a former student of mine, some mention of accounting at West Valley College. And I'm real pleased to say that I believe that Rodriguez is one of our scholarship recipients, and I was one of one of our students that I worked with and helped her with her application, which got a foundation scholar.

01:02:08:09 - 01:02:36:27

Speaker 2

And I know on L.A., like so many other Chicanos that I know would never tell you wherever, ever share because of humility, work, incredible courage this young lady has she. What I love about being in education is that it's not what we give to those students is what they constantly give to us and how they inspire us in our work because of the miracle that they bring year after year and the accomplishments that they have that they don't see themselves.

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Speaker 2

But those of us that work in education, all we have to do is give them just give them that mirror, give them the words for them to see what they what they simply are. And the Chicanos and Latinos in college today are absolutely equally remarkable. I would hate to be have to be on the selection committee for these scholarships and have to read through those applications, because I'm sure every single one of those stories is powerful.

01:03:01:00 - 01:03:04:07

Speaker 2

But I do want to acknowledge I haven't got it wrong.

01:03:04:09 - 01:03:18:23

Unknown

I also the scholarship recipients, I just want to say never lose touch with your soul.

01:03:18:25 - 01:03:45:24

Speaker 2

With your spirit again in Norma to see how much of it. And so and she will never abandon you. She will never abandon you as long as you never forget where Congratulations. Well, I suggest you get into television and you'll learn to do anything.

01:03:45:24 - 01:04:03:25

Unknown

And I mean, so we young. Our next honoree is not only the acting dean of students at City College of San Francisco.

01:04:03:25 - 01:04:40:07

Speaker 2

She's also the director of student services and San Francisco Community College Center's division. She recently ended her term on the San Francisco Civil Service Commission and in 1990 was elected as our Latina representative on the San Francisco Unified School District Board of Education. I now present our next awardee, Dr. Carlos Loveday, for Field. I can do.

01:04:40:07 - 01:04:47:26

Unknown

Anything in a minute. I offered her friendship.

01:04:47:28 - 01:05:02:13

Speaker 2

During my political stint. I had to learn to address groups, and I usually come forth and will either present three ideas or do three things. So I have just three for you to write. One is I want to introduce you to my very.

01:05:02:13 - 01:05:05:04

Speaker 3

Very best friend, my husband. Doctor Raymond.

01:05:05:04 - 01:05:17:05

Unknown

Over to you. Also one one that I married. Well, the second thing that I'm going to do.

01:05:17:05 - 01:05:17:27

Speaker 3

Is.

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Speaker 2

Instead of telling you what I have done is tell you what I am going to do when I chair the Unified School.

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Speaker 3

District.

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Speaker 2

Board next Tuesday, I will let them know that I have been here, that you exist, and what occurred here tonight.

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Unknown

Is I will give the address.

01:05:40:21 - 01:05:53:01

Speaker 2

And mailing of everyone who is connected with the Chicago nation, and I will send to you a document that will be a very special one because it will be the master plan.

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Speaker 3

For.

01:05:53:11 - 01:05:55:16

Speaker 2

Education for the San Francisco.

01:05:55:16 - 01:06:04:01

Speaker 3

Unified School District put together with the leadership of Bill GROSS has again you a keynote and contributing up to it.

01:06:04:03 - 01:06:17:25

Speaker 2

Over to you and Fred Rodriguez as well. Thank you.

01:06:17:27 - 01:07:00:20

Speaker 2

Our next awardee is truly an expert in the field of mental health. She is the regional manager, family and children's services for Santa Clara County. Her clinical philosophy includes the treatment of families within the context of culture, family and community. Her goal is to provide appropriate mental health services to California's increasing multicultural communities. Our next honoree, Jose from El.

01:07:00:23 - 01:07:06:22

Speaker 2

My kids would say, Mommy, the roll.

01:07:06:24 - 01:07:09:03

Unknown

When or for.

01:07:09:06 - 01:07:19:13

Speaker 2

A long time and friendly to the basket. Now I am from North, but actually this cynical opinion did not receive in the past in.

01:07:19:13 - 01:07:24:19

Speaker 3

This companion and the following in Africa.

01:07:24:20 - 01:07:42:29

Speaker 2

In and in Colombia for me to good thing and law is like whatever they want to know how family that can principle in the direction of satisfy lodging problem of my yet because the point that I can make up I get.

01:07:43:00 - 01:07:55:19

Unknown

Out of here that you can for use because I know that the on the processing.

01:07:55:22 - 01:08:03:21

Speaker 2

Yeah.

01:08:03:24 - 01:08:18:22

Unknown

Rachel Garcia French and some.

01:08:18:25 - 01:08:26:14

Speaker 2

More parents know now moms and family this question the people committed us that are responding.

01:08:26:16 - 01:08:31:16

Unknown

I love to see that there most definitely that I you.

01:08:31:16 - 01:08:37:23

Speaker 2

Know but it's one of us we especially but I whenever up phone I guess the flamingo.

01:08:37:25 - 01:09:01:16

Unknown

Basically wants me to yeah maybe so you know about you is not significant enough doing the romance because that I guess for families but I love the end of the money that.

01:09:01:18 - 01:09:40:23

Speaker 2

That I feel. And our final word though about our least. It's also a wonderful woman, a longtime member of Al Pacino. She has dedicated her life to preserving Latino culture and traditions through theater and art. She has performed on dozens of plays and television and film projects. She recently appeared in the film adaption of a thriller, A Shepherd's Tale, seen nationally PBS.

01:09:40:25 - 01:10:08:27

Speaker 2

She is now developing her writing talent and recently collaborated with others on the screenplay on The life of Frida Kahlo, a true Latino artist. Our next honorees who've been part of this a real honor and a real pleasure.

01:10:08:27 - 01:10:10:24

Speaker 3

To be here tonight.

01:10:10:27 - 01:10:36:23

Speaker 2

As a woman who has struggled to maintain her individuality or her family consciousness. I'm reminded of an ancient and ancient word from our ancestors, and the word is many. Can I get a job? I'll get it. What going are to create? To believe, To create, to do with loving pain. That has been the guiding principle of our government.

01:10:36:27 - 01:11:11:00

Speaker 2

You know, it's a love as a lifetime member of the company. I'm especially proud of the the the development of the of the women in our company. We have evolved into writers and directors and producers with a respect for the integrity and creativity of each and every one of us. There is a mayan saying that is the guiding principle of my life that I've taught my children and that I truly believe in the word in lachish.

01:11:11:08 - 01:11:33:06

Speaker 2

You are my other self and I love and respect you. I love you. Respect myself. If I do harm to you, I do harm to myself. I would like to thank the Chicano Foundation, and I would also like to thank my husband who is my best friend, who is my partner in life, and who is the father of my son.

01:11:33:08 - 01:11:46:04

Unknown

We thank you.

01:11:46:06 - 01:12:08:04

Speaker 2

I would like one more time to ask all of our honorees to stand up. Please.

01:12:08:07 - 01:12:32:07

Speaker 2

What I think many of us do realize is that it took many Latinos, including our honorees, to work hard and pave the way for those who would help, whether it is in theater or in health, education, business or, politics. These women have opened the door of opportunity just a little bit wider. And at one time it was totally closed.

01:12:32:10 - 01:12:56:03

Speaker 2

They have made possible for the next generation of Latinas to reap the benefits of their struggle and their work. And now we turn to that new generation of Latinas and it's time for the presentation of our scholarships. I'll ask the recipients to please step up, as I call their name and we will present the award and it'll all stand here in front.

01:12:56:05 - 01:12:58:21

Speaker 2

I have an older woman.

01:12:58:24 - 01:13:20:17

Unknown

But when I had the opportunity to speak, we got to have a fellow there, Jackie. Okay. You'll get your chance later. Emily, in a.

01:13:20:20 - 01:13:42:12

Speaker 2

Few minutes is from South San Francisco and will be attending Santa Clara University to major in psychology and not only works part time. She was treasurer for the Latin American Student Organization. Come on up there, Lena. She's a charter member of a ballet hall of the College, San Mateo. And she does all this while being on the Dean's list and the honors program.

01:13:42:12 - 01:13:43:23

Speaker 2

In fact, she is the first to kind of.

01:13:43:24 - 01:13:48:20

Unknown

Ever round over. okay.

01:13:48:26 - 01:14:21:20

Speaker 2

She's not going to be the first you got to ever to join the list of singular students allowed to play and see as an honors program in six years. But it has been like, wow. my scriptwriter, she's going to Stanford, an equally wonderful girl.

01:14:21:22 - 01:14:25:05

Unknown

And I congratulate her daughters.

01:14:25:05 - 01:14:48:01

Speaker 2

Martinez is from San Francisco and majored in social work at San Francisco State University. After obtaining her degree goals prior to pursuing a master's degree, working evenings, volunteering at the church and carrying a full solo during the day. It's not that easy, but her desire to help others is what motivated her to overcome what we probably know are a lot of obstacles.

01:14:48:03 - 01:15:00:02

Speaker 2

Doris Martinez I know you're going to use your.

01:15:00:04 - 01:15:27:10

Unknown

Right now. I don't Sophia Ortega yet from Hayward. What are you going to do? Are you nervous about to be the freeloader? it was over counselor's guidance.

01:15:27:10 - 01:15:50:11

Speaker 2

That the senior discovered her true calling while on her way to becoming an attorney, Cecilia finds time to be a leader in Metro's tutoring program. Congratulations to New York life. Martinez.

01:15:50:13 - 01:15:53:26

Unknown

The family has been expecting.

01:15:53:29 - 01:15:55:02

Speaker 2

She is a second.

01:15:55:02 - 01:16:07:14

Unknown

Year graduate student, not doing anything in American right in order.

01:16:07:14 - 01:16:17:29

Speaker 2

To research and examine the Mexican-American experience in this country, including the factors and obstacles involved in granting a higher education. Congratulations, Lori. I thought I.

01:16:17:29 - 01:16:26:10

Unknown

Came back to the country that patricia from san.

01:16:26:10 - 01:16:28:20

Speaker 2

Francisco and will major in business.

01:16:28:20 - 01:16:38:27

Unknown

Administration at skyline.

01:16:38:29 - 01:16:46:21

Speaker 2

Years ago, patricia served also as a ranger. So as a Patriots writer, she grew up.

01:16:46:21 - 01:16:51:27

Unknown

In her career, Jake involved in Proyecto.

01:16:51:29 - 01:17:23:05

Speaker 2

Garcia and she is a member of the Extended Opportunity Program and Young Latino Americana Club at the College All, while maintaining a 3.5 GPA to introduce her growth advantage to parents. On having Santa Cruz Rodriguez clique. Sunnyvale will be majoring in political science at the University of California, Santa Barbara.

01:17:23:07 - 01:17:31:01

Unknown

Right back 0.0 1% is.

01:17:31:02 - 01:17:44:05

Speaker 2

Latino civil rights, right? In the meantime, I'm hearing about his conflict with the Latin American Student Organization. And so the Eric's project, where she provides emotional support to Latino AIDS patients and their families.

01:17:44:10 - 01:17:53:29

Unknown

Congratulations, Amnesia. The man.

01:17:54:01 - 01:18:30:02

Speaker 2

Originally from Delano, Alicia, now residing in Berkeley, will receive her degree in business administration, finance and accounting from the University of California at Berkeley, the Undergraduate Minority Business Association, and spent as much time as the academic advisor and role model to a high school sophomore girl. Alicia is well on her way to an accounting career through her enrolled in her ship at the Chevron Corporation.

01:18:30:05 - 01:18:30:29

Speaker 2

Congratulations.

01:18:30:29 - 01:18:50:27

Unknown

I get this whole thing off the menu. that was cool. You'll have company with a concentration on lawyering.

01:18:50:27 - 01:19:49:23

Speaker 2

For social change concerns. Community involvement extends from being the service provider to being involved in the policy making process. She has been a children's volunteer at a battered women's shelter and worked on a Senate Committee on Judiciary working on domestic violence and hate crimes legislation. Congratulations comes from our future.

01:19:49:26 - 01:19:58:27

Unknown

Thank you. Late campaign work now. Well, I am.

01:19:58:27 - 01:20:00:29

Speaker 2

Pleased to announce.

01:20:01:02 - 01:20:21:22

Unknown

That at the end of our program we can turn on the television. I did not get little money. I want to thank you all for being such a wonderful and patient audience. You've got a lovely evening. As you can see, it's a great time to come out of the Trump Foundation banquet, so put it on your calendar for next year.

01:20:21:22 - 01:20:24:12

Unknown

We'd love to see you here. We'd love to see you.

01:20:24:12 - 01:20:45:13

Speaker 2

Continue to support the goals and the spirit behind which the foundation. I am very pleased to see the extended and growing group of professional Latinas as we move into all corners of. The world, The Table, the top 95th.

01:20:45:15 - 01:21:06:27

Unknown

I remember I left it. We really didn't know how early, so this had to get up. But we have been together a very appropriate dip.

01:21:07:00 - 01:21:18:11

Speaker 2

We are very thankful for you. We are at the ceremony tonight, a role model for Latinos, a real example. And we in that in appreciation on the Chicano Foundation and on our.

01:21:18:11 - 01:21:50:19

Unknown

Club radio network. Thank you very much, everybody. And now I have the challenge of making a whole evening for filling and in.

01:21:50:19 - 01:22:29:25

Speaker 2

Terms of what I have to say, it is a lot. But we do have some very special missions to give. You have seen was a child of innovation. It's all about regulating the abundance of talent and dedication. We have community leaders in providing encouragement and assistance to deserving students. It is a level of trust, and I think someone mentioned what a challenge we have could choose eight scholarship recipients from 300 applications.

01:22:29:28 - 01:22:32:12

Unknown

Not because of the with physical, but.

01:22:32:15 - 01:22:58:09

Speaker 2

Just that we have so many deserving Latinos out there and we just don't have enough. So we can tell you from the slide that our nation needs you, but we really need you in terms of helping us to be leaders of the application of the interviewers of the application grant proposal, writers, mentors and many other volunteer activities that we have available.

01:22:58:12 - 01:23:00:22

Speaker 2

We can also use your help financially.

01:23:00:25 - 01:23:06:16

Unknown

And I think there are some envelopes that will be passed around and you can decide how you to participate with us.

01:23:06:18 - 01:23:36:16

Speaker 2

And of course we welcome and that you can give. Colby this Internet on deliberation has been a dream come true for all of our nation board members. But I would like to, especially thank the event committee, and I'd like to ask the 50 year old guy a little bit in my life to stand up for us in the event committee for this evening.

01:23:36:18 - 01:24:08:24

Speaker 2

We there's a corporation that has been very key to our success tonight. We want to please ask any of us about the year 2007. We thank you to Bank of America, our platinum sponsor that was founded not only for event, but also to allow an immigrant to be part of our committee.

01:24:08:25 - 01:24:31:25

Unknown

Because when you spend most of their time at the Bank of the Nation and also the by you, you're going to do this for an encouragement.

01:24:31:27 - 01:24:57:16

Speaker 3

Really on behalf of being of America. We're very proud to support that. You've got a foundation. And as I have said many occasions, I really do believe that the foundation is one of the best organizations that I know of in Northern California. And I would also urge you to support the work of the Chicano Foundation. I also want to believe very strongly in empowerment of our people and this kind foundation is one way to do that.

01:24:57:18 - 01:25:06:22

Speaker 3

But I.

01:25:06:24 - 01:25:26:24

Speaker 2

Support the supporters. The food price, the Foundation Health Plan, Chevron, USA, PGA, the State Farm Insurance Union Bank, Anglo American Savings Bank. We want to thank also the educational community. And we have two colleges that have been very supportive of our work, St Mary's College.

01:25:26:26 - 01:25:37:12

Unknown

And thank you to.

01:25:37:14 - 01:26:06:08

Speaker 2

Seattle for sharing her opinions in her life with us today. To Patricia, one of our co-ordinator, a top notch professional gala event consultant, Thank you very much for about. We've already committed in order for first of all in some of the now and it's the best thing.

01:26:06:11 - 01:26:10:13

Unknown

For asking the one we finally the Met tonight and.

01:26:10:15 - 01:26:12:24

Speaker 2

The long distance business. Thank you very much.

01:26:12:24 - 01:26:24:20

Unknown

For your support and have one final surprise before we close the program in the industry as the family.

01:26:24:22 - 01:26:40:01

Speaker 2

Since we are celebrating our teaching era, we thought it only appropriate to thank the woman who not only have to work on the transformation flowers, but she has women active in the organization throughout the past 20 years. I would like to please ask.

01:26:40:04 - 01:26:40:27

Speaker 3

Or remember.

01:26:41:03 - 01:27:08:18

Speaker 2

That for all of the houses to come up and on behalf of the Chapel Nation, thank you for your dedication to our community and to the hundreds of women who have benefited from your efforts. She left room that, you know, we didn't.

01:27:08:18 - 01:27:13:28

Unknown

Have this plan. It's real truth. Okay.

01:27:14:00 - 01:27:34:22

Speaker 2

Well, thank you, all of you, for being here with us. Tonight has been a wonderful evening. It really, really is a dream come true for those of us who planned this, who wanted to see your faces and wanted to see precisely the people that are here today, people have been before us, the people that will lead us in the future.

01:27:34:24 - 01:27:48:27

Speaker 2

We know they're in good hands when we have the eight scholarship recipients here, and we know that we are on solid ground. When we look at our honorees and all the rich experience that they have to give us. Thank you very much. And I want to thank from local have left here.

01:27:49:00 - 01:27:54:02

Unknown

And it's great to start a Nancy. I think they'll just come up on stage and.

01:27:54:02 - 01:27:55:26

Speaker 2

We'll start in about 5 minutes right.