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THE ANNUAL REPORT ISSUE



Lin-Manuel during his visit to Puerto Rico on August 24 for the inauguration of Placita Güisin, a recreational space that Lin-Manuel developed as a gift to the island of Puerto Rico and to the memory of his grandfather, a prominent businessman and community leader in the town of Vega Alta. The square has a mural with the image of his grandfather and Lin-Manuel as *Hamilton*. Photo credit: Matthew Murphy.

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This year’s annual report is about gratitude. We thank all who have given of their time, energy and resources to make Hostos the vibrant institution it remains after 50 years.

FROM THE PRESIDENT



Early this fall, hurricanes and earthquakes severely damaged the homelands of so many that represent our College community. The Caribbean, Central America, and the Southern United States have all been devastated. Recovery will take a great deal of time and money. All at Hostos, individually and collectively, feel the urgent need to help. Many of our students, faculty, and staff have roots in the afflicted areas. Our personal connection and our dedication to social justice make it impossible for us to ignore the plight of those who are suffering. So when we see others suffering, our natural response is to ask ourselves, “What can we do?”

Given the vast array of organizations that have already initiated relief efforts, we thought that one major way we could help was to develop an online guide to legitimate charities, volunteer organizations, and activities that will help bring sorely needed relief to those in need.

It offers our community and friends an updated list of international, national, and local government and non-governmental organizations and coalitions working towards the recovery of Mexico and the Caribbean. In addition, Hostos will be collaborating with a number of organizations including, but not limited to, Comité Noviembre, Hispanic Federation, ACACIA Network, Pregones Theater, Catholic Charities, the Office of the Mayor, the Office of the Bronx Borough President, our other elected officials, the PSC, and numerous other community partners to help in relief efforts.

I was heartened by the speed with which the South Bronx sprang into action to deal with a catastrophe of such epic proportions. That generosity of spirit and of pocket has long distinguished the borough that Hostos calls home. As we approach our 50th anniversary, I am reminded once again that our institution was founded to help those in need. We have never shirked that responsibility and, shoulder to shoulder with our community leaders, we will not shirk it now.

In solidarity and support,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Gómez', written over a white background.

David Gómez, Ed.D.
President

OUR MISSION

Consistent with the mission of The City University of New York to provide access to higher education for all who seek it, Eugenio María de Hostos Community College was established in the South Bronx to meet the higher educational needs of people from this and similar communities who historically have been excluded from higher education.

The mission of Eugenio María de Hostos Community College is to offer access to higher education leading to intellectual growth and socio-economic mobility through the development of linguistic, mathematical, technological, and critical thinking proficiencies needed for lifelong learning and for success in a variety of programs including careers, liberal arts, transfer, and those professional programs leading to licensure.

The College takes pride in its historical role in educating students from diverse ethnic, racial, cultural and linguistic backgrounds, particularly Hispanics and African Americans. An integral part of fulfilling its mission is to provide transitional language instruction for all English-as-a-Second-Language learners along with Spanish/English bilingual education offerings to foster a multicultural environment for all students. Hostos Community College, in addition to offering degree programs, is determined to be a resource to the South Bronx and other communities served by the College by providing continuing education, cultural events, and expertise for the further development of the communities it serves.



DISASTER RELIEF RESOURCES

Learn How You Can Help

www.hostos.cuny.edu/hostoshelping

Hostos Helping provides useful information about some of the incredible initiatives created in the wake of devastating natural disasters in Mexico and the Caribbean. These areas are home to many of our students, faculty, staff and their extended families. Hostos Helping can assist you in choosing a way to aid our brothers and sisters in need.

We are deeply committed to our communities.
COMMUNITY IS OUR MIDDLE NAME.



One thing I know for sure is that giving back feels good.

And, I would venture to add, *it's good for you.*

Giving back, whether of one's time, talent or treasure is a powerful, feel-good experience. Here at Hostos, we have seen it over and over again—how one kind act changes a life, moves generations forward and bolsters entire communities.

Giving back catapults transformation.

This Winter Issue of *Caiman* includes our annual report. Your acts of kindness and generosity are the engine to our success. Our students would not have the opportunities we offer, if it were not for the scholarships and financial assistance your altruism and continuous support provide. We are most grateful.

In turn, giving back and serving our community are embedded in Hostos' DNA. We care deeply about our students, our Bronx, and those who stand with us through thick and thin. Lin-Manuel Miranda is such an example. We celebrate Lin-Manuel and all our community partners who, along with Hostos, are doing their best to help with disaster relief efforts throughout the Caribbean and Mexico. We stand together now and as long as it takes.

Because your needs matter to us, we could not celebrate our 50th anniversary year without including "50 Acts of Kindness" in our year-long volunteer initiative, the "Big Event." We hope you will join us in the coming months and volunteer to better our community.

In this season of giving, we are reminded of those who give and make the world a better place for all. We are most grateful.

Ana Martínez Orizondo
Vice President
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Our #YoungVoices volunteering with #HurricaneMaria relief efforts this past weekend. The youth always gives us inspiration #uptownunidos

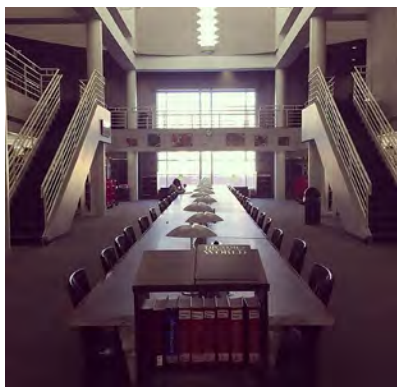


Aquilla @aquihines
None of the @HostosCollege students were on stage at #CUNYAwards - because they're all volunteering in PR & TX



UHC Bronx @UHC_Bronx
#ICYMI We met some amazing students at @HostosCollege Student Parents Fair & equipped them with resources for their #family's health.

VIA INSTAGRAM



Lisa M H @lisamhcreates
When I started my journey in academia, this was the library I'd go to. I spent a lot of time here. Today during my last year in school, I return to work on some stuff. Time flies, I never thought I'd be a graduate student, I am. Just keep pushing, please do.

Hostos50•Oral History Collective



MANY THINGS HAVE CHANGED SINCE 1968,

but not the power of a good story. The men and women who helped make Hostos a reality and those who keep the dream alive today have a wealth of stories to tell. The Hostos Oral Collective currently features the testimony of more than 100 people, reflecting the experiences of alumni, community members, faculty, former College presidents, friends, staff and students from the past half-century. Hear history in the making!



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HOSTOS: A COMMUNAL RESPONSE



Our students, faculty and staff working together and united in solidarity.

HOSTOS COMMITTED TO BEING A HUB OF SUPPORT FOR VICTIMS OF NATURAL DISASTERS



“The need is so vast that it really requires a nationwide concerted effort. Medical reports are revealing that in the island we have a humanitarian health crisis as a consequence of contaminated waters on an island-wide scale.”

—**ANA M. LÓPEZ**
Professor

The natural disasters that have rocked the Caribbean and Mexico have so many people struggling and searching for answers and support. Because so many of the victims make up Hostos’ extended family, the College jumped into action almost immediately to offer vetted information, collect goods and donations, and support other regional, national and international activities. On October 4, Hostos’ “Day of Action & Solidarity for Puerto Rico” (Día de acción y solidaridad) was held. The campus was a hub of activity throughout the day, as everything from canned goods, to batteries, to clothing were collected by students, faculty and staff. Monetary donations were also accepted to help the University of Puerto Rico. Later in the day, the donations were transported to the former Hostos bookstore, where they were packaged in preparation for delivery by Hostos’ Public Safety Department. The Hostos family worked as one for their brothers and sisters in need.

The effort was organized by the United for Puerto Rico Committee and the following Hostos clubs: A.L.M.A. (Assisting Latinos to Maximize Achievement), Common Ground, Puerto Rican Students Organization, and Teachers of the Future. Thanks to a whole Hostos team effort, 7,520 items were packed and taken to Roberto Clemente Park and, along with other shipments, sent to Puerto Rico by the New York State Governor’s Office.

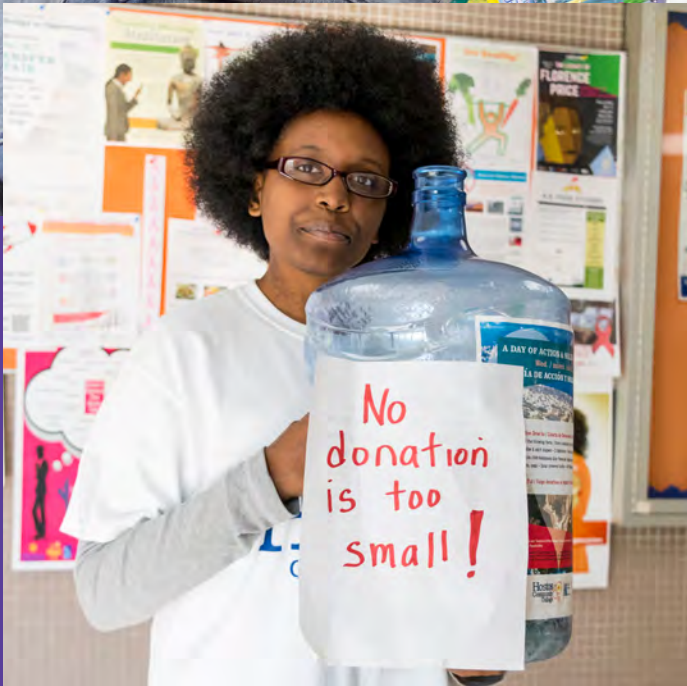
Matilda Outlaw was one of the students busy helping the packing effort. The Early Childhood Education major and President of Hostos’ Teachers of the Future Club said that with so many friends dealing with the aftermath of the hurricanes in the Caribbean and the earthquake in Mexico, she felt the need to help. “It is just devastating to see so many people you know going through this,” Outlaw said. “I really want to offer my support any way I can. We all know what it is like to struggle; this is just the right thing to do.”

Juan Ramón from the Hostos’ Conference Center and Kaira Peláez from Hostos’ CUNY EDGE talked about how as people of Dominican descent, they felt a sense of responsibility to help their fellow Latinos who are suffering so badly. “I am proud to be here today,” Peláez said. “The people of Puerto Rico are our neighbors. They really need our help.”

All the volunteers, along with members of the United for Puerto Rico Committee, feel the need to do something, and faculty members have lent their support in a myriad of ways. Professor Sonia Maldonado is leading The Teachers of the Future Club and created artwork that was sold to raise funds for the University of Puerto Rico. Professor Lauren Wolf has been busy raising funds to protect the bees in the island, and Professor Camilo Almonacid is building “creative conversation spaces” through theater workshops as a way for people to heal their collective pain.

Professor Ana M. López, an Adjunct Professor from the Humanities Department and a member of the Hostos United for Puerto Rico committee at Hostos, said the crisis in Puerto Rico worsens day by day, and the Hostos representatives are busy doing all they can.

“The need is so vast that it really requires a nationwide concerted effort. Medical reports are revealing that in the island we have a humanitarian health crisis as a consequence of contaminated waters on an island-wide scale,” López said.





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—**LIZETTE COLÓN**
Professor



Professor Lizette Colón said she is extremely thankful to all who have participated in the relief effort for Puerto Rico. “This was without any doubt a labor of love, solidarity and fraternity,” Colón said. “We would like to highlight the incredible teamwork and the passionate leadership of each one of the students who were involved in one way or another.”

The first fundraiser benefited the University of Puerto Rico (UPR) “Se Levanta Fund” and collected \$2,834 thanks to the help of the entire College community. Colón said because the current humanitarian crisis is so severe, the effort at Hostos must continue.

“The Committee is now focusing on helping targeted communities in

Puerto Rico that have specific needs,” Colón added. “We have already planned a series of activities to raise funds for communities in Canóvanas (Producir) and San Sebastián, as well as Taller Salud in Loiza and Caño Martín Peña, which are part of the communities served under the nonprofit organization María Fund.”

President Gómez also appeared on ABC 7’s *Tiempo* program to share what the College is doing, along with its community partners. The President’s Office has also been busy maintaining a community website filled with information on international, national, and local government and non-governmental organizations and coalitions working towards the recovery of Mexico and the Caribbean.

 Visit our YouTube channel to view President Gómez by ABC 7’s *Tiempo*
[youtube.com/user/HostosCollege](https://www.youtube.com/user/HostosCollege)



United for Puerto Rico at Hostos Committee includes:

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Francisco López
Patricia Muñoz and
Mayté Munguía

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Ana López
Stacey Toro
Lauren Wolf



#uptownUNIDOS
DAY OF SERVICE AND ACTION
HAS STAR POWER



Hostos partners with CUNY in the Heights, Lin-Manuel Miranda and others to help those in need



“Our community has shown that, in difficult times, we stand together as one. Our students have shown compassion and we continue to serve students and the community beyond their educational needs.”

—**SENY TAVERAS**

Executive Director
CUNY in the Heights

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Latino pride, and big hearts, were on full display all day as approximately 50 volunteers, including callers, ticket holders, good collectors/packers, drivers, and artists, helped the cause. Volunteers worked phone lines all day during the onsite telethon for the Hispanic Federation's Hurricane Relief Fund (UNIDOS). Goods that were collected included canned foods, hygiene products, and water for those in need. In all, 15,000 items were collected and more than \$30,000 was raised.

The day of service also included a performance by Alianza Dominicana Dance Group (“Grupo folklórico”). Two tickets to “Hamilton” were raffled off for the hurricane victims, and there was a craft station, a theater group and folk dancers for entertainment to keep spirits high.

Seny Taveras, Executive Director of CUNY in the Heights, said it was heartwarming to see the entire community come together.

“We are proud to stand with Puerto Rico and Mexico during these very difficult times,” Taveras said. “We are grateful to our students and our community for coming together to volunteer and donate their time and money for those who are suffering. Our community has shown that, in difficult times, we stand together as one. Our students have shown compassion and we continue to serve students and the community beyond their educational needs.”

The selfless community partners that joined CUNY in the Heights and Hostos included the Hispanic Federation, Manhattan MiniStorage, Workspace Offices, Edison Properties, Applebee's, Community Board 12, The Manhattan Times, Northern Manhattan Improvement Corporation (NMIC), Northern Manhattan Arts Alliance (NoMAA), People's Theater Project, Northern Manhattan Coalition for Immigrant Rights, Alianza/Catholic Charities, DominicanosUSA, Uptown Collective, The National Puerto Rican Day Parade, Inc., Lehman College, The Bronx Free Press, and the Dominican Consulate, among others.

#uptownUNIDOS also had support from Congressman Adriano Espaillat, Public Advocate Letitia James, Manhattan Borough President Gale Brewer, Manhattan Deputy Borough President Aldrin Bonilla, Councilmember Ydanis Rodríguez, State Assembly Members Carmen De La Rosa and Marcos Crespo, State Senator Marisol Alcántara, State Senator Gustavo Rivera, as well as a host of community leaders. City Comptroller Scott Stringer and Council Speaker Melissa Mark-Viverito also sent representatives.

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LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA: HOMETOWN HERO JOINS THE EFFORT

Interview by Hostos Associate Dean for Community Affairs Ana García Reyes and BronxNet Journalist Javier Gómez

Lin-Manuel Miranda is best known for penning the Broadway smash, “Hamilton.” Now, the proud Puerto Rican and New York City native is using his celebrity voice once again for good, pouring himself into the relief efforts after Hurricane María devastated his beloved island, while other natural disasters rocked Mexico and the Caribbean. Giving back is in Miranda’s DNA. And helping those in need, whether it be through social justice activism, supporting his community, or extending a helping hand, is something that has always come naturally.

Born in the Upper Manhattan neighborhood of Washington Heights, he grew up in the Latino neighborhood of Inwood. Before “Hamilton” earned him the 2016 Pulitzer Prize in Drama, 11 Tony Awards and other prestigious recognitions, he penned another multiple award-winning musical, “In the Heights.” Its message of hope and self-discovery highlighted his home—a place dear to his heart.

As for “Hamilton,” Miranda is taking the show on the road for a great cause. He will rejoin the cast for a limited three-week run at the University of Puerto Rico’s campus in January.

FIVE QUESTIONS WITH LIN-MANUEL MIRANDA



Miranda is no stranger to Hostos' transformative work. He was awarded the Hostos Arts and Culture Award at the College's Fashion Show and Dinner Dance in 2010 for "In the Heights" and has served as an inspiration to so many people, both on and off Hostos' campus.

HOSTOS ASKED MIRANDA ABOUT HIS LEADERSHIP IN THE FACE OF TRAGEDY, HIS LOVE FOR PUERTO RICO AND ITS CULTURE, AND THE POWER OF COMMUNITIES.

1 AS A PUERTO RICAN, WHAT DOES THE MARÍA HURRICANE TRAGEDY MEAN TO YOUR FAMILY AND TO YOU PERSONALLY?

The humanitarian crisis in Puerto Rico is very personal because the island is my heritage—the land of my parents and grandparents—where so many of my family still live, and where, since I was child, is a place that continues to inspire me to create.

2 WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE SOLUTION TO THIS CRISIS AND WHAT CAN OTHERS DO TO HELP, BOTH LONG AND SHORT TERM?

This tragedy has renewed my faith in humanity and the American public. The generosity, support and solidarity of the American public has given me so much hope. From children donating their allowances, to fundraising campaigns hosted by concerned citizens, to matched contributions by foundations and the corporate sectors, the civilian response to the crisis has been truly inspiring.

WHAT IS YOUR CONNECTION TO HOSTOS COMMUNITY COLLEGE AS AN INSTITUTION THAT CARRIES THE NAME OF A GREAT PUERTO RICAN EDUCATOR? AND HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT IT?

Eugenio María de Hostos was a man of great vision. Before the European Union was created, Hostos had already envisioned a concept for an América Unida, a hemispheric union connecting all nations throughout the Western World. He believed in the power of education to touch and transform lives. It's exciting to see Hostos' legacy live on in the community college that bears his name and in the generations of students.

HOW DOES YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERIENCE OF PUERTO RICAN/LATINO CULTURE INSPIRE YOU TO REACH GREATER HEIGHTS?

I think it's the root of everything I do. *Cultura* to me equals identity, and with that comes the responsibility to excel. We are all, in a way, ambassadors of where we come from, and we should always reach for greatness at whatever we do.

WHAT DO YOU SEE AS THE ROLE OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IN THE RECOVERY OF PUERTO RICO?

Communities outside Puerto Rico have played a major role in the relief effort for the island, and will continue to play a large role as the road to recovery continues. It was the international community and fellow citizens across the U.S.A. that stepped up to the plate. They gathered water and supplies, established relief funds, sent rescuers and health workers to the ground, sent airplanes, mailed boxes, and collaborated closely with local authorities in bringing aide, primarily to communities that had remained incomunicado. Efforts like the Unidos Hurricane Relief Fund, established by the Hispanic Federation, which I have been proud to support, have provided a remarkable example of communities from around the world saying *presente*. The overwhelming response to the benefit single "Almost Like Praying," which within its first week of release was the No. 1 song on iTunes in 17 countries, followed by the Telemundo and NBC "Making Of" specials, is a testament to how the world came together to help. The challenge now is to preserve that level of involvement as Puerto Rico starts to move from emergency crisis relief, to a long-term sustainable plan for recovery. We must all ensure that Puerto Rico is rebuilt better and safer, for all generations to come.



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“KINDNESS” IS THE BEST POLICY — ON AND OFF CAMPUS



HOSTOS IS GIVING BACK THROUGH “50 ACTS OF KINDNESS” DURING ITS GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY



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—**JESSE MACAULEY**

Student and Big Event Volunteer

In 2013, when Hostos was celebrating its 45th anniversary, the College was looking for a way to celebrate with the South Bronx community that helped the institution become a central hub of education and opportunity.

After some brainstorming, the President's Office and Hostos' Director of Event Management Diana Kreymer came up with the idea of “The Big Event,” which mobilized hundreds of faculty, staff and students for a day of community service. The one-day celebration accentuated Hostos' connection with its neighbors and highlighted the positive partnerships that were forged over four decades.

Now that Hostos is in the midst of its 50th anniversary, that same community concept will be shared through what the College is calling “50 Acts of Kindness.”

So far, students, faculty and staff, including President David Gómez, have been busy working in community gardens, sprucing up the neighborhood and the campus. They even donated their time to support runners at the New York City Marathon on November 5 and delivered Thanksgiving dinners to those who needed a helping hand.

President Gómez said he is particularly proud of the students who have given so much of their time and effort to the cause.

“Realizing how much our students already have on their plates, between classes, jobs, raising families, and so many other commitments, that they find the time to serve is incredible to me,” Gómez said. “Our goal is to graduate students, as well as help build strong leaders and citizens, and these series of events are proof positive that we are doing just that. I could not be more proud.”

On May 19 and September 1, the team volunteered at New Roots Community Farm. Located at 670 Grand Concourse at 153rd Street, the New Roots program is focused on teaching food production so individuals can provide fresh food for themselves and their communities. What makes New Roots so special is that it engages local residents, refugees and asylee clients of the International Rescue Committee to work together to address health issues in the Bronx. Serving some of the most vulnerable populations, these communal beds allow refugees, asylees and the broader community to access fresh food, exchange best growing practices, share traditional recipes, and join the local food movement.

Kathleen McTigue, New Roots Program Manager, said Hostos provided valuable support and she was happy that students, in particular, were able to learn more about their efforts.

“New Roots Community Farm engages volunteers from around the city, but the partnership with Hostos is unique given the shared neighborhood and potential for collaboration across multiple departments,” McTigue said. “New Roots is happy to work with Hostos to provide an outdoor learning space and hands-on volunteer opportunities.”

Two Hostos students, Camille McKenzie and Jesse Macauley, have volunteered at multiple events.

McKenzie is studying nursing at Hostos, and is close to graduating. After Hostos, she will pursue her Bachelor of Science in Nursing at CUNY School of Professional Studies and later

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work toward a Master's Degree in Gerontology. McKenzie is originally from Jamaica, and she has a long history of giving back. After moving to the United States, she and her friends helped to coordinate doctor visits from the U.S. to Jamaica for cancer screenings and other services.

As a student at Hostos, McKenzie volunteered at New Roots and also helped to clean the campus. For her, it is always important to find time to volunteer.

"I like giving back to the community that is helping give me an education," McKenzie said.

Macauley volunteered his time at the farm and on campus. He is also scheduled to graduate this year and will pursue a four-year degree in accounting.

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THE Big Event

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

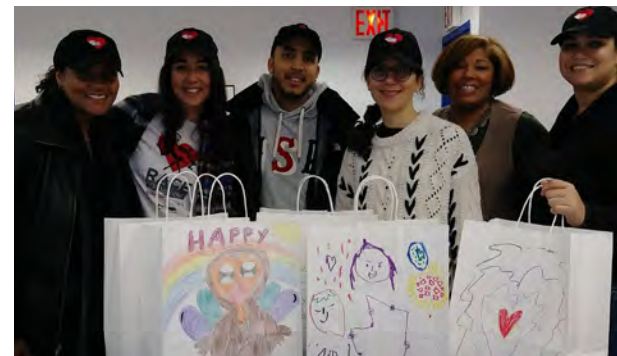
Volunteer the Hostos Way!

In commemoration of our 50th Anniversary, Hostos is coordinating 50 acts of kindness, 50 events for you to volunteer and be part of #HostosGivesBack.

Hostos has created plenty of activities that need an extra set of helping hands. Whether you are concerned with local environmental issues, shelters, churches, parks, schools or hospitals, you can help by getting involved!

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Gratitude has been defined as “the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness.”

As Hostos moves ever closer to its 50th anniversary, “gratitude” is a concept that is much on my mind. I am grateful to all who have given of their time, energy, and resources to make Hostos the vibrant, living institution it remains after a half-century of existence. My thanks to the students, faculty, and staff for their dedication to and belief in the power of education. I note, too, with pride, the exceptional generosity of our donors. The annual report contained in these pages shows just how and where your crucial support is utilized. We couldn’t do it without you!

The Parable of the Faithful Servant in the Bible tells us: To whom much is given, much is required. Hostos has been given a great deal, and our every effort is bent toward giving back. Together, the members of the Hostos family

will build on 50 years of experience and prepare for the next 50.

We are most grateful.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Gómez'.

David Gómez, Ed.D.
President

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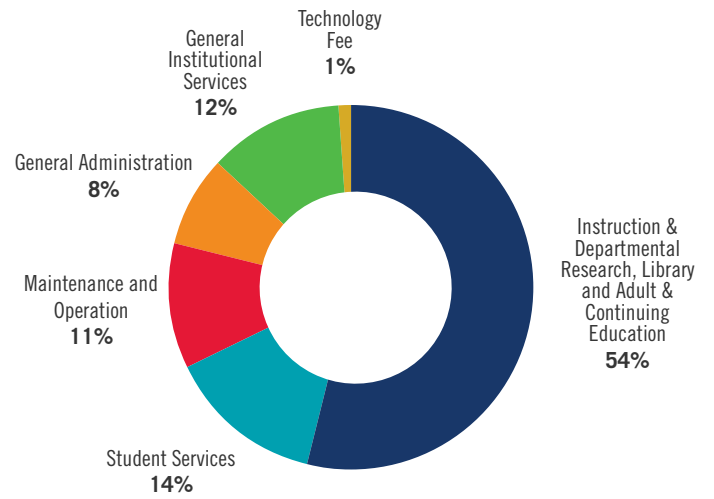
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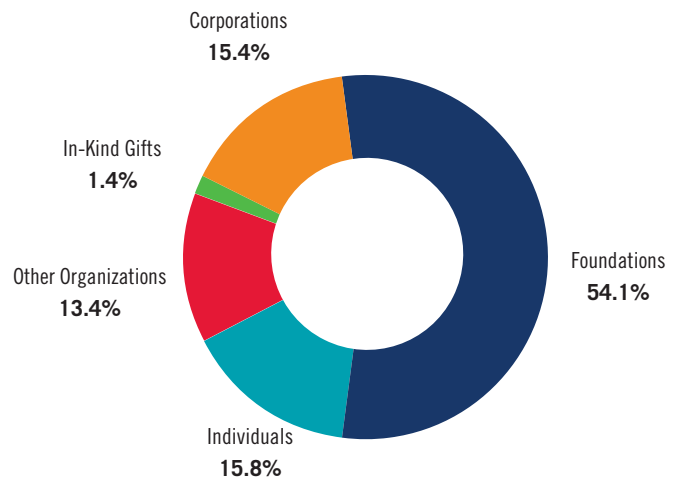
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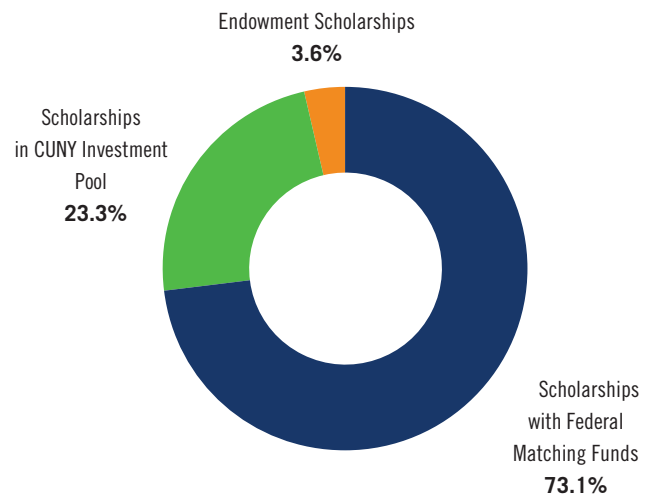
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Instruction & Departmental Research, Library and Adult & Continuing Education	50,470,454	54%
Student Services	12,847,100	14%
Maintenance and Operation	10,349,252	11%
General Administration	7,091,197	8%
General Institutional Services	11,432,996	12%
Technology Fee	1,402,000	1%
Total Expenditures	93,592,999	100%



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Individuals	169,802	15.8%
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In-Kind Gifts	14,676	1.4%
Total College Fundraising	1,076,383	100.1%



COMPONENTS OF ENDOWMENT SUPPORT		
Scholarships in CUNY Investment Pool	241,513.11	23.3%
Scholarships with Federal Matching Funds	756,840.22	73.1%
Endowment Scholarships	37,320.50	3.6%
Total Endowment	1,035,673.83	100%



TOTAL ENROLLMENT: 7,211

FULL-TIME VS. PART-TIME

56.8% Full-Time
43.3% Part-time

GENDER

67% Female
33% Male

AVERAGE TRANSFER RATE

71%

AVERAGE AGE

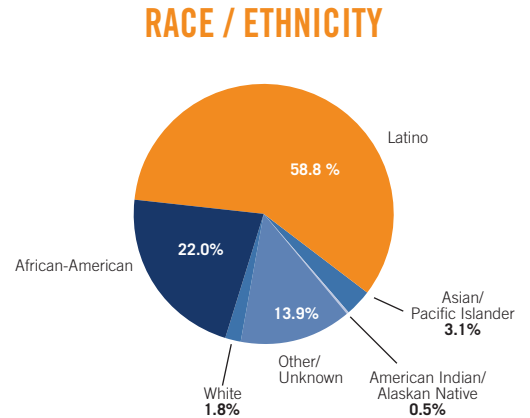
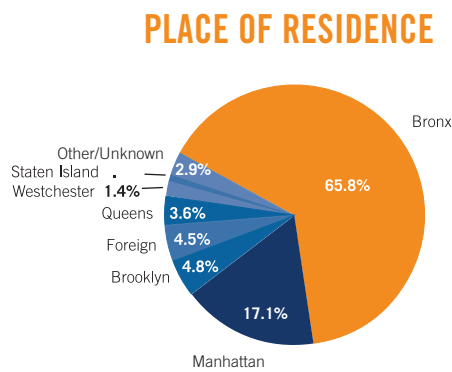
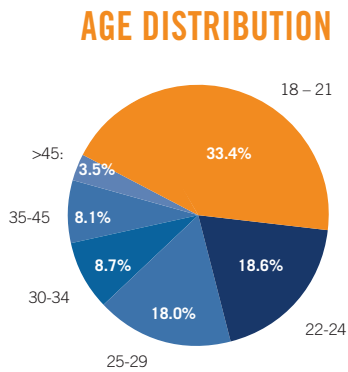
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PLACE OF RESIDENCE


65.8% BRONX

RACE / ETHNICITY

58.8% LATINO




ECONOMIC STATUS

77% 


of students have an annual household income of less than \$30,000 per year

FIRST GENERATION

49% 

of students are the first generation in their family to attend college

LANGUAGE

60% 

of Freshmen speak a native language other than English

FACULTY & STAFF (FALL 2017) Full-time faculty: 187; Part-time faculty: 277 | Full-time and Part-time Faculty and Staff: 974

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It's not surprising. Our faculty and staff see first-hand the struggles our students endure.

"In light of the herculean tasks many of our students undertake to get their associates degree from Hostos, the very least we can do who serve as their mentors and guides is to support the campaign and donate as much as we can so that our students can continue with their education to better themselves and their families."

—Prof. Sandy Figueroa
Business Department
Founder of the Anthony St. John Memorial Scholarship

Hostos students overcome their challenges.

77% are from households earning less than \$30,000/year.

80% require remedial coursework upon matriculation.

90% of incoming students are in need of financial aid.

Hostos students defy the odds. They wake up determined. They work, study, care for their families to make it happen and succeed. They personify the American Dream.

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