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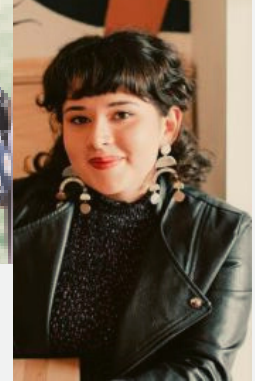
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RADICALLY EMPOWERING YOUNG LATINAS

Thank you for your continued support throughout these unique times! As we navigated the many challenges COVID-19 created this past year, we realized that we have enormous support within our beautiful Circle de Luz community, and we are so grateful. As the Circle de Luz staff, our priority has always been to create a safe and loving environment for our hijas, their families and our wonderful volunteers. The pandemic allowed us to refocus our programs, and gave us the opportunity to create innovative ways to continue to have a meaningful impact with each and every one of our members.



This year, we welcomed Vanessa Martinez as our new Development and Finance Director. Serving previously as our Program and Evaluation Manager, Vanessa has graciously accepted a role that will create more financial opportunities and stability for Circle de Luz, and will allow us to further our mission for this year and beyond. We also had the opportunity to work alongside an intern from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte in the Department of Social Work. Veronica Monroig-Calvo was able to support several areas within the organization, including the successful creation and execution of a new Circle de Luz program. Veronica conceptualized and launched our case management program which will formally launch this fall. We look forward to seeing how this program positively impacts our hijas and families.

Also, we are so excited to share that our Class of 2021 hijas have officially graduated high school, and are ready to begin the next phase of their educational journey. We are so proud of Alexis, Stacey, Nikki, Gloria, and Maria for their amazing commitment to their education and to Circle de Luz. We would also like to highlight their Class Captains, Meghan, Rosy, and Rosa. These three amazing women invested their time, love, and energy into each one of our members for 6 six years and created unimaginable impact in each of their lives. We can't wait to see what the future holds for each one of our hijas, and the incredible path each one will take as they step into the world.

We are looking forward to what this year will bring. We can't wait to see all our hijas thrive, and continue to move forward towards achieving all their goals. We thank you again for your encouragement, patience, support, and hope that we can continue to count on you as we dive into a new school year.

Mil Bendiciones,

Lorena Priego and Vanessa Martinez

MISSION

Circle de Luz radically empowers young Latinas by supporting their transformation through extensive mentoring, holistic programming, and scholarship funds for further education.

VISION

Immersed in an experiential culture of learning, Latinas served by Circle de Luz exhibit resilience, confidence, and authenticity as they complete high school and pursue further education.



GUIDING BELIEFS AND COMMITMENTS

- Every child deserves access to education and the opportunity to pursue her potential.
- Latinas face numerous unique challenges that deserve our community's attention.
- Education is fundamental to personal success.
- Compassionate mentoring facilitates possibility and empowerment.
- Exposure to opportunity matters.
- Cultivating a community of leadership and service creates engaged citizens of the world.
- Supporting our hijas means embracing and being accessible to their families.
- Measuring impact and evaluating our processes is essential to our success.

LETTER TO OUR LEADER & FRIEND



“The place in which I’ll fit will not exist until I make it.” These words by James Baldwin capture the feeling that began to emerge for Rosie Molinary in 2007 while on her book tour. She always made time to go to a high school with a large Latina population to do a workshop or a group discussion while she was traveling and, from those conversations came this inkling that our educational system was not set up to allow for the success of the many- it was created to highlight the few bright stars and pour into their development, and to identify the challenging students and “manage” them. This left out a large swath of students with high potential and drive to succeed but who would be overlooked without someone creating a place for them to fit. Rosie would balk at being called a revolutionary but when she brought together a focus group of women who were instrumental in forming Circle de Luz, that is what she became. Rosie has led the charge for this organization since it’s beginnings in 2008 and, while she adamantly denies it, has been the glue that has kept it together through some challenging times. Under her capable, grace-filled, and humble style of leadership, the organization has grown from a group of 6 volunteer board members with a \$500 budget, to a vibrant professionally staffed program (with soon to be 3 staff members) and a budget of more than 350 times what we started with in 2008! Rosie has so much to be proud of as she transitions out of being board chair and we have so much to be grateful to her for. Circle de Luz has become an organization with a clear mission, vision, and set of values that will continue to grow, evolve and live on decades after this moment, however, Rosie’s heart, love for others, and devotion to an educational system centered around justice will always be the foundation on which the success of this program is built. Rosie, thank you for all that you have done in service to others, in service to the Latinx community, and in service to all of those who have had the pleasure of working with you.

2020-2021 CLASS HIGHLIGHTS

Class of 2021



Our Class of 2021 hijas had a very unique final Circle de Luz year. Most of them had virtual learning for both school and Circle de Luz! Despite the virtual element, we worked hard to create engaging and meaningful activities that transcended Zoom. During one of the Class of 2021's most exciting programs, the girls had the opportunity to learn about Black poetry and found themselves incredibly drawn to the subject. They learned about poetry from the 20th and 21st centuries and enjoyed learning about different poets as well as their styles. The girls were open to discussion and found it interesting to learn what the poets were trying to portray in correlation to the current political environment.

Class of 2022

Our Class of 2022 hijas entered their Junior year with excitement and the desire to reinforce connections lost at the end of the previous year due to the pandemic. One of their most memorable programs was their check-in with their Class Captains. During this program, the girls had the opportunity to share their experiences freely, voice any concerns they were having, and enjoy each other's company, all while using their creativity to decorate a cookie kit that had been delivered to them. This activity helped them reignite their bonds while learning and practicing a new skill. The opportunity to meaningfully connect while making sure our members have support has been incredibly important during these uncertain and challenging times.



2020-2021 CLASS HIGHLIGHTS



Class of 2023

This year, the Class of 2023 captains wanted their members to experience a program that showcased the importance of their voices and how to use their idea to make an impact. We work with members of the Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority Inc. to host a panel that conveyed the need for the girls to begin advocating for themselves and their loved ones. They learned how unity strengthens women, and what their involvement can mean for their own lives and generations coming behind them. We were happy to see all our hijas engaged, and interested in taking on a more active role in their community.

Class of 2024

Our Class of 2024 hijas were able to be part of a program that taught them about an important organization that is creating wonderful opportunities for our community. We had the pleasure of having staff members from The Bulb, - a community farm/Non-Profit Organization that provides fruits and vegetables in the downtown area, share their mission and work in the Charlotte community. The girls were excited to see how the concept of a local farm could provide so many resources for many families in need. Additionally, the team from the Bulb was able to guide our girls through the process of creating their own "Home Garden" as we had seeds and growing kits delivered to each hija. They were taught the importance of creating sustainable ways to grow your own vegetables, and learned how easy it is to begin a garden of your own. Together they painted/decorated their pots, sowed and planted several flower and vegetable seeds. We look forward to hearing how their individual garden is doing and learn how it may have inspired them to continue caring for our planet.



2020-2021 CLASS HIGHLIGHTS



Class of 2025

Our Class of 2025 hijas said goodbye to middle school and are looking forward to the start of their high school journeys. This past year, one of their most memorable programs was one that was hosted by Escape Artist. In preparation of this workshop, each of our hijas received a kit that included a bullet journal, markers, and a ruler.

The facilitators took the opportunity to convey the importance of gratitude through the use of art. They created an environment that would allow the girls to express themselves freely and more fully appreciate what they had. In the midst of the pandemic, we were proud to be able to present the girls with a program that would allow them to have a positive outlet and the chance of creating something beautiful.

Summer Reading

EVERY SUMMER, WE ARE EXCITED TO PROVIDE OUR MEMBERS WITH THREE BOOKS TO ENCOURAGE READING, LIFELONG LEARNING, AND A BROADER UNDERSTANDING OF THE WORLD. THIS YEAR, WE WERE FORTUNATE TO PARTNER WITH MAIN STREET BOOKS OF DAVIDSON, NC ONCE AGAIN TO DELIVER BOOK BUNDLES TO EACH ONE OF OUR GIRLS. CIRCLE DE LUZ IS SO THANKFUL TO ADAH FITZGERALD AND MAIN STREET BOOKS FOR THEIR ONGOING SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT TO GIVING OUR MEMBERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE THE WONDERS OF AN INSPIRING BOOK.



Summer Reading & Virtual Family Program

Virtual Family Program

As we embraced the ability to connect with our hijas and family's virtually, we successfully planned and executed our Spring of 2020 Family program via Zoom. As a way to bring our family's tools that would be useful for everyone, we invited Lisa Kondstandt and Rosa Cordero to lead the program.

Lisa, a mija for the Class of 2025, shared her expertise in meditation, health and wellness and self-care. She conveyed these incredibly important messages to our family's and led them in a virtual meditation session. Rosa (mija and Class Captain for the Class of 2021), hosted a Virtual Yoga session, where our family's discovered how to connect their bodies and minds through different yoga poses and the art of breath. We were beyond excited to see everyone come connect online, and actively participate in these exercises. Our family's focus so much on creating a safe space for their children that at times neglect their own well being. Thank you Lisa and Rosa for hosting such an amazing experience with our families.



2021 GRADUATES

Alexis Morales Recio

INDEPENDENCE HIGH SCHOOL

Alexis graduated from Independence High School and plans to attend Central Piedmont Community College. She later plans to transfer to a 4 year college such as UNC Charlotte or UNC Greensboro. She is interested in pursuing several areas of studies including psychology.

Mental health is important to Alexis, and she feels passionate about wanting to support young people. By far, one of Alexis' favorite Circle de Luz programs over the years was hiking Crowder's Mountain. She is not a big outdoors person, but she is proud of getting through it. Another unforgettable experience for Alexis was staying at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro for a week-long camp one summer. To the younger hijas in the program, Alexis says, "Stick with this group. These women love you, and they want to see all of us prosper. I know there's going to be some days where you don't want to get out of your comfy bed early in the morning, but it'll all be worth it in the end. Circle de Luz has opened me up to so many opportunities and made me try things I never would have done on my own". Alexis looks forward to starting college, getting her first car, and possibly an apartment with another 2021 class member.



Dominique "Nikki" Ortiz

EAST MECKLENBURG HIGH SCHOOL

Dominique graduated from East Mecklenburg High School and is planning on enrolling in the United States Marine Corps. Of the many Circle de Luz programs, Nikki loved the high ropes course each year. She felt like it was a memorable shared experience for all the hijas to participate in and encourage each other through the challenges. One thing that Nikki will take with her from Circle de Luz is to never be afraid to ask for help in any situation. To the younger hijas, Nikki says, "Never be afraid to speak up about any situation/problem that you have going on, because your class captains and all the mijas in Circle de Luz will ALWAYS be there for you no matter the circumstance, and please enjoy the time you have with your class captains because time really flies". After Circle de Luz, Nikki looks forward to embracing the scary and experiencing some independence.



2021 GRADUATES

Gloria Ortiz

EAST MECKLENBURG HIGH SCHOOL

Gloria graduated from East Mecklenburg High School. She will be attending CPCC for two years and transferring to UNC Charlotte to major in Social Work. Gloria is most inspired to pursue social work because she wants to help those who need support. A memorable Circle de Luz program for Gloria was going ice skating. She loved that it was her first time ice skating as well as the first time for some of the other hijas in the class. They all got to share in this first together. After six years in the program, Gloria's takeaway is that everyone was always helpful and pushed them to do their best. She felt that the Circle de Luz family really cared about her future. Her advice to the younger classes is: "Take this seriously. You'll have a lot of fun programs but when it comes down to learning about the college process and other really important things, just make sure that you're all ears and listen to what they have to say. It'll all help you in the end." In this next phase of life, Gloria is open to what life has to offer her.



Maria Morales Salgado

PHILLIP O. BERRY ACADEMY OF TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

Maria graduated from Phillip O Berry Academy of Technology High School. She will be attending Princeton University. She is pursuing the biomedical engineering field and will be majoring in biological and chemical engineering with a minor in applications of computing. She is most inspired to pursue this career because she wants to help others while exploring subjects she enjoys like math, science and technology. It's difficult for Maria to choose her favorite Circle de Luz Program. Among some of the ones that stand out are State of the Circle, the high ropes course, volunteering at the Ronald McDonald House, and the quarantine zoom meetings over the past year. What she loved about Circle de Luz programs was the common thread of community. Her advice to other hijas: "Remember to stick to your passions and do what you love. DO NOT let anyone else tell you that something is not possible or "to be realistic" with your goals and dreams. Those dreams can become your reality, and if it does not work out, I am positive another opportunity awaits. Ask for help when you need it and, wherever you go, be proud of who you are and the story you have". Maria is looking forward to new opportunities, new experiences that await, and exploring new places.



CELEBRATING THE CLASS OF 2021!

2021 MIJAS

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THANK YOU!

We would like to express our profound thanks to the Class of 2021 mijas who have believed in the mission of Circle de Luz since the early days. Your commitment provided a \$6,500 scholarship for each Class of 2021 hija! We are so grateful to our donors from all over the world who believe in empowerment and partner with us in this important work.

A special thank you to the Adelante: College and Career Pathways mentors. Your thoughtful guidance and relentless support of our hijas and their families has been amazing.

MIJAS

Our mijas support an individual Circle de Luz class by making an annual donation towards their scholarship fund for each year that the class is in the program. Because of their generosity, each hija will receive a scholarship of at least \$5,000 when she completes high school and pursues further education.

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This year Circle de Luz was awarded \$25,000 through the United Way's Unite Charlotte grant. Originally launched in response to the civic unrest that erupted in Charlotte in the fall of 2016, Unite Charlotte provides not only funding, but also capacity-building initiatives to local grassroots organizations advancing racial equity and addressing economic mobility.

We are extremely grateful for the financial support Unite Charlotte has granted us. This funding has given Circle de Luz an opportunity to grow our staff and hire a Development and Finance Director, a position that is essential to the growth of our organization.

Additionally, Unite Charlotte has kindly provided our staff with nonprofit training and support with Duke University and The United Way of Central Carolinas. We are delighted to have been selected for 2021 funding and we look forward to our continued partnership with Unite Charlotte.



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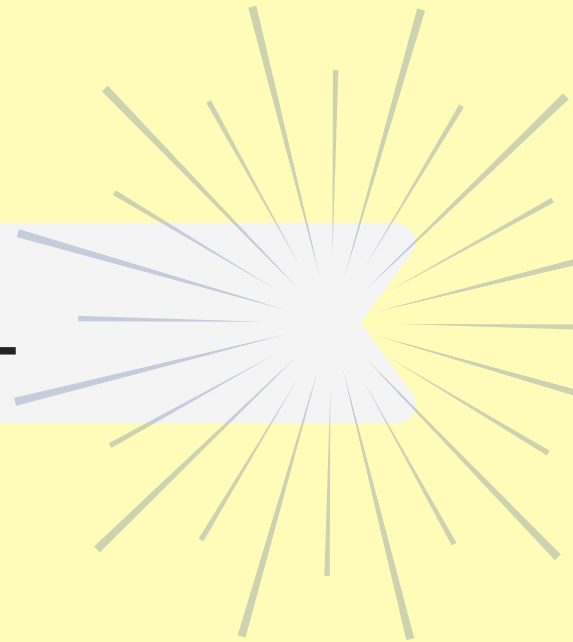
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DZ PRO REALTY
ESCAPE ARTISTS
I AM NOT THE MEDIA
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LATINO COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION
MAINSTREET BOOKS
PUZZLE BREAK
THE BULB

CORPORATE SPONSORS



GRANT ROLL CALL



ALBEMARLE FOUNDATION	\$5,000.00
BRIGHTHOUSE FINANCIAL	\$17,500.00
CHARLOTTE MECKLENBURG COMMUNITY FUND	\$2,500.00
FIRST CITIZENS BANK	\$1,000.00
ORTHOCAROLINA	\$6,000.00
MYERS PARK UNITED METHODIST	\$10,000.00
MYERS PARK BAPTIST CHURCH	\$5,000.00
TRULIANT FEDERAL CREDIT UNION	\$7,500.00
ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC CHURCH	\$3,000.00
UNITE CHARLOTTE	\$25,000.00
WALTON FAMILY FOUNDATION	\$2,000.00

2020-2021

BY THE NUMBERS



35

PROGRAMS
EXECUTED

270

MIJAS

19

CLASS
CAPTAINS



5

2021 COLLEGE
GRADUATES



27

ALUMNAE



5,000

OF TIMES WE
HAD TO SAY
"YOU'RE ON
MUTE"

\$75,559

GRANT MONEY
RECEIVED



\$32,500

GRANTED IN
SCHOLARSHIPS TO
THE CLASS OF 2021



\$96,237

FISCAL YEAR
EXPENSES



\$17,517

AMOUNT
RAISED IN
FUNDRAISERS



6

BOARD
MEMBERS



2

STAFF
MEMBERS

2

CIRCLE DE LUZ
INTERNS



Gracias!

On behalf of Circle de Luz



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