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Dear Friends in Education:

The **Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Foundation** is pleased to announce that it will soon grant twenty \$2,000 scholarships to deserving full-time college students who are residents of Illinois and of Latino ancestry. Complete guidelines and application materials are available at the ILLCF web site (www.illcf.org) and are also included here as attachments.

The deadline for applying is November 24, 2009. Scholarships will be awarded to successful applicants on December 3, 2009, during the scholarship luncheon portion of the 7th annual ILLCF conference held at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, Illinois.

Please help us publicize this scholarship opportunity by sharing this information with eligible college students served by your college. We have intentionally kept the application process brief and straightforward so that as many worthy students as possible will apply.

Thank you for your help in advancing and supporting educational opportunities for Latino college students.

Sincerely,

State Senator Martin Sandoval
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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Foundation SCHOLARSHIPS

The **Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Foundation (ILLCF)** was established as a strong voice and resource for the Illinois Latino population and for those that work and live within Latino communities statewide. Through its annual statewide conference and the ILLCF Public Policy Institute, the foundation seeks to successfully empower Latinos to confront critical issues affecting their communities and to increase access to federal, state and community programs in such areas as employment, education, community and social services, health care, housing and other issues.

Annually, the members of the ILLCF select deserving young people of good character and high academic achievement to receive foundation scholarships to help them achieve their educational objectives. This year, the \$2,000 scholarships will be granted to current college students whose home residence is in Illinois. An application form is attached but can also be downloaded from the ILLCF web-site (www.illcf.org). Scholarships will be awarded on December 3, 2009, during the ILLCF scholarship luncheon at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center in Rosemont, Illinois.

Scholarship guidelines are the following:

- An applicant must be enrolled as a full-time student during the fall term of 2009 or the spring term of 2010 at an accredited community college or four-year college or university;
- Applicants must be of Latino ancestry;
- The application form must be filled out completely, including a personal statement describing how the scholarship award will help the recipient achieve his or her educational and career goals;
- A letter of recommendation written by the student's primary academic advisor or major professor must accompany the application; and
- Scholarship money must be used in the same academic year as it is granted.

Please return completed applications (including the letter of recommendation) by **November 24, 2009**, to:

Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Foundation Scholarships
c/o Jesse H. Ruiz
Drinker Biddle
191 North Wacker Drive, Suite 3700
Chicago, Illinois 60606-1698
Email: jesse.ruiz@dbr.com
FAX: 312-569-3135

For further information about the ILLCF Scholarship Program, please contact Jesse H. Ruiz at (312) 569-1135 or jesse.ruiz@dbr.com.

**ILLINOIS LEGISLATIVE LATINO CAUCUS FOUNDATION ("ILLCF")
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

All information is solicited for the sole purpose of assisting the ILLCF Scholarship Committee in the evaluation of applicants. The information will be kept strictly confidential and will be disseminated only to the ILLCF Board of Directors. All questions must be fully answered. By submitting this application, the applicant consents to verification by the ILLCF Scholarship Committee of the information furnished herein.

Contact Information

Name _____
Street Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone () _____ E-mail _____
Place of Birth _____
Name of Parent(s) of Latino ancestry _____
Their Place of Birth _____

Academic Information

Name of College or University _____
City _____ State _____
Dates of Attendance _____ to _____
Cumulative Grade Point Average _____ Anticipated Date of Graduation _____
Honors, Awards or Special Recognitions _____

Extracurricular Activities/Interests _____

Financial Information

What do you estimate is your total annual expense to attend school? \$ _____
What amount is already provided toward this expense from:
Scholarships and other awards \$ _____
Student loans \$ _____
Parent(s)/family \$ _____
Employment income \$ _____
Other sources \$ _____

Community Service Information

Describe any community service activities

Dates	Organization/Activity	Role/Position/Title
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Other Information

In the space provided on the next page, describe, in a personal statement, why receipt of an ILLCF Scholarship will help you achieve your educational and career goals.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

of _____(your name)

Please describe below why the receipt of an ILLCF Scholarship would help you achieve your educational and career goals. The scholarship committee is particularly interested in how your plans to complete your education will advance not only your personal growth but the good of your community as well.

Applicant's Certification

I hereby certify that:

1. I am not related to any board member of the ILLCF.
2. All information contained in this application is true and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: _____ Date _____

Please return the completed application by **November 24, 2009**, to:
Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Foundation Scholarship, c/o Jesse H. Ruiz, Drinker Biddle, 191 N. Wacker Drive, Suite 3700, Chicago, Illinois 60606-1698. Remember to submit the scholarship application (including your personal statement) **and** a letter of recommendation from your primary academic advisor or major professor.