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CPLC Esperanza Latino Teacher Awards Program is Expanding

Now accepting nominations of teachers from across the state

Phoenix— Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc. (CPLC) is thrilled to announce that for the first time in the history of the Esperanza Latino Teacher Awards, fellow peers will be able to nominate teachers from across the state who have made a positive impact in their students' lives. Entries are no longer restricted to Maricopa County. Teachers, principals and superintendents are encouraged to submit their nomination forms to CPLC by **August 12**.

For the past 12 years, CPLC has recognized over 95 outstanding Latino educators who have inspired students of all backgrounds to learn and achieve their aspirations, play an active role in the school and have demonstrated a true commitment to the community. CPLC is now accepting nominations for the 13th Annual Esperanza Latino Teacher Awards presented by Cox Communications and SRP. Any teacher, principal or superintendent can submit a nomination form on behalf of an educator who meets the following criteria.

All nominees should:

- Inspire students of all backgrounds to learn
- Play an active role in the school and community
- Spend the majority of school day in classroom
- Possess a valid Arizona Teaching Certificate
- Teach at a state-approved or accredited school in Arizona

- Have a letter of recommendation from the school's principal
- The nomination forms may be downloaded at www.cplc.org. **The deadline to submit the form and the letter of recommendation is August 12, 2011.**
Please send them to the following address:

**Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc.
Attention: Priscilla Valencia
1112 E. Buckeye Road
Phoenix, AZ 85034
Fax (602) 256-2740
Email: events@cplc.org**

The winning teachers will be honored at a special awards dinner on October 20 at the Sheraton Downtown Phoenix. Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Please contact Priscilla Valencia at events@cplc.org or (602) 257-0700 for more information.

Chicanos Por La Causa, Inc. (CPLC) is a statewide community development corporation committed to building stronger, healthier communities as a lead advocate, coalition builder and direct service provider. The organization promotes positive change and self-sufficiency to enhance the quality of life for the benefit of those we serve.

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