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NALEO Educational Fund to Convene State and Local Policymakers to Discuss Latino Community, Life After COVID-19, and Post-Pandemic Policies

Strategic gathering gives policymakers the chance to share thoughts on lessons learned as the world looks toward a post-pandemic future

Washington, D.C. – The National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO) Educational Fund announced today that its biennial Legislative Summit will take place on October 28 and 29 in Manhattan Beach, California.

This year's NALEO Legislative Summit, titled "The Future Beyond COVID-19," will convene fifty elected officials from fourteen states. Officials will discuss the lessons they have learned during the pandemic, along with best practices for post-pandemic recovery within the Latino community and beyond. Items up for discussion during the two-day event include green jobs as a path for Latino economic recovery and, more broadly, the future of a post-pandemic Latino workforce.

States with policymakers in attendance are Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Indiana, Kansas, Massachusetts, Minnesota, New Mexico, New York, Oregon, Rhode Island, Texas, and Utah.

"This historic moment is a defining one for the Latino community," said Arturo Vargas, NALEO Educational Fund Chief Executive Officer. "After spending the last 18 months apart, bringing Latino policymakers together to learn from one another in person will further help participants in their efforts to improve the states and communities they serve so that we can emerge from the pandemic stronger and more resilient than ever."

This year's event is made possible by our Presenting Sponsors: The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and State Farm® — and Title Sponsors: Bank of America, JPMorgan Chase, and Microsoft.

WHAT

NALEO Legislative Summit: The Future Beyond COVID-19

WHEN

October 28–29, 2021

WHERE

Manhattan Beach, California

*Please note: due to COVID-19 health and safety protocols, this event **will not** be open to the press. If members of the media would like to interview participants or NALEO Educational Fund spokespeople, please contact media@naleo.org.*

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About NALEO Educational Fund

NALEO Educational Fund is the nation's leading non-partisan, non-profit organization that facilitates the full participation of Latinos in the American political process, from citizenship to public service.