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Mission:

To advise the legislature and the governor on issues of importance to the Latino community; advocate on behalf of those issues, and serve as bridge for and between the state government and the Latino community. The Chicano/Latino Affairs Council (Council) was created to improve the economic and social condition of Latinos in Minnesota.

Statewide Outcome(s):

Chicano/Latino Affairs Council supports the following statewide outcome(s).

A thriving economy that encourages business growth and employment opportunities.

Minnesotans have the education and skills needed to achieve their goals.

Strong and stable families and communities.

Efficient and accountable government services.

Context:

The Council is a state agency serving the Governor, the Legislature, various agencies and sectors, the Latino community and all Minnesotans. The Council's priority for this fiscal year is education but will also address Latino interests in employment, health, housing, immigration, human rights and corrections. CLAC is funded by the state and, occasionally, by grants for specific projects.

The priorities of the Council include:

- Submitting recommendations for new bills, which are conducive to improving condition of Latinos, to be introduced at the Legislature;
- Advising Minnesota's governor and state legislators to create awareness, through meetings and reports, of the culture, contributions and matter of interest to Latinos, including challenges encountered by immigrants;
- Serve as a conduit between the Latino community/organizations and state government's agencies, programs and services;
- Being a liaison for Latinos to local/federal government and the private/nonprofit sectors;
- Performing or contracting/overseeing studies on Latino-related matters on which CLAC can take a position; implementing programs when authorized by order or statute.

Strategies:

The Council facilitates efficient, constructive communication and collaboration between the Latino and majority communities by: identifying common goals; recommending legislation; recommending best practices and programs; disseminating and/or producing through research current and factual information; providing advice; and convening meetings on strategy, planning and implementation. The Council's key partners are state leaders in various sectors/organizations and the Latino community.

Results:

The Council will measure success through: a) written testimony by its partners on the contributions that the Council's actions, advice and information have had on the attainment of their measurable goals and objectives; b) results of surveys carried out among individuals, agencies and organizations to whom the Council has provided advice, information and other services; c) reports produced by studies done or contracted and overseen and d) numbers of significant collaboratives and events. If partners and beneficiaries perceive the Council's actions as productive in terms of their goals and objectives, the Council will be able to validate the effectiveness of its strategies; if their perception is that the strategies are not working, the Council will modify strategies in collaboration with said partners and beneficiaries. The Council's primary function of advising and informing is difficult to measure; the above approach should compensate for that limitation.

Performance Measures	Previous	Current	Trend
Community engagement forums	6	7	Improving
Voter registration and civic participation training	1	3	Improving
Latino Education Improvement	4	8	Improving
Latino Economic Development	3	8	Improving
Latino Legislative Day at the Capitol # participants	43	200	Improving

Performance Measures Notes:

1. Community engagement forums compares data from FY 2011 (previous) to FY 2012 (current).
2. Voter registration and civic participation compares projects, collaborations and outreach in FY 2011 (previous) and 2012 (current) to improve MN Latino socioeconomic conditions.
3. Latino Education Improvement compares number of education reports, collaborative projects with other agencies, documentaries and videos disseminated in FY 2011 (previous) and 2012 (current).
4. Economic Development involvement compares projects, events and collaborations in FY 2011 (previous) to 2012 (current).
5. Latino Legislative Day at the Capitol compares number of attendees in FY 2011 (previous) and 2012 (current).

Chicano/Latino Affairs Council**Current, Base and Governor's Recommended Expenditures**

(Dollars in Thousands, Biennial Totals)

	General Funds	Other State Funds	Federal Funds	All Funds
Current Biennium Expenditures (FY 2012-13)	\$550	\$42		\$592
Current Law Expenditures (FY 2014-15)	\$550	\$0		\$550
Governor's Recommended Expenditures (FY2014-15)	\$550	\$0		\$550
\$ Change from FY 2014-15 Current Law to Governor's Rec	\$0	\$0		\$0
% Change from FY 2014-15 Current Law to Governor's Rec	0%	0%		0%

Chicano/Latino Affairs Council**Sources and Uses**

(Dollars in Thousands)

	Biennium FY14-FY15			
	General Funds	Other State Funds	Federal Funds	Total Funds
BALANCE FORWARD IN		\$10		\$10
REVENUE		\$0		\$0
APPROPRIATION	\$550	\$0		\$550
SOURCES OF FUNDS	\$550	\$10		\$560
BALANCE FORWARD OUT		\$10		\$10
EXPENDITURES	\$550	\$0		\$550
PAYROLL EXPENSE	\$470	\$0		\$470
OPERATING EXPENSES	\$78	\$0		\$78
OTHER FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS	\$2			\$2
USES OF FUNDS	\$550	\$10		\$560

Chicano/Latino Affairs Council
All Funds FTE by Program

	Current	Forecast Base	Governor's Recommendation
Program	FY 2013	FY 2015	FY 2015
Program: Chicano Latino Affairs Council	4.3	3.0	3.0
Chicano/Latino Affairs Council	4.3	3.0	3.0