

The Latino Center of the Midlands, formerly known as the Chicano Awareness Center (CAC), was organized in 1971 when several members of Omaha's Chicano community were concerned about the education of Chicano youth. Chicano students were experiencing low levels of academic achievement, poor self-concept and little awareness about their heritage as Chicanos. - See more at:

<http://www.latinocenterofthemidlands.org/our-history-and-purpose/#sthash.eU5sZKD5.dpuf>

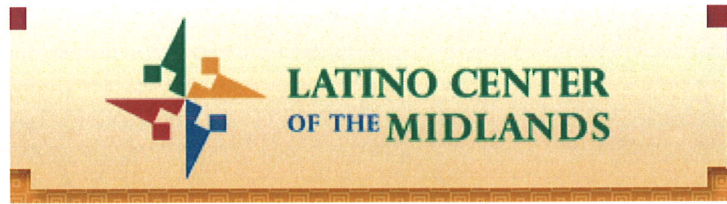
Back then, CAC began as a small community center that offered classes in Mexican art, music, folkloric dance and Spanish and English language instruction for youth and adults. Today, we proudly boast that the Latino Center of the Midlands has evolved into the premier social service agency providing cultural transition, education, and social services to the growing Latino population in Nebraska. - See more at: <http://www.latinocenterofthemidlands.org/our-history-and-purpose/#sthash.eU5sZKD5.dpuf>



To promote the self-sufficiency and self-determination of Heartland Latino families and community by providing bilingual, high quality social, educational, economic, and advocacy services.

Statement of Work

Throughout its 43-year history, Latino Center of the Midlands evolved to become one of the most respected Hispanic organizations in Metro Omaha. It will continue to play a key role as Hispanics become the country's largest and fastest-growing ethnic minority. Initially called the Chicano Awareness Center, the organization works to change lives at the local level by:

**Promoting Employability Through:**

- Higher education attainment – General Educational Development (GED)
- Building essential employment skills – Computer Information Technology
- Career services – job search, resume writing, First Aid/CPR

Ensuring Student Success With A Focus On:

- Graduation from high school
- Parental engagement with emphasis on reduced absenteeism
- Youth advocacy and parental engagement for dropout prevention

Cultural Transition & Family Well-Being Assistance:

- Tax preparation assistance
- Civic engagement
- Voter registration and education
- Legal and immigration assistance
- Technical assistance and solutions to introduce families to the U.S. standards of society

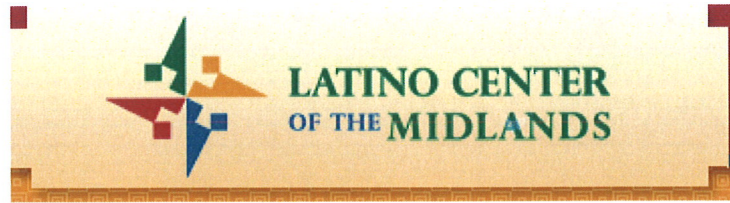
ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

- Community-based adult basic education services to conquer barriers to employment and other educational goals.

The Adult Basic Education (ABE) Program provides Spanish-speaking adult learners with the following classes:

- Spanish GED (in class instruction and computer-based tutoring)
- Pre-GED skills development in reading, writing and math
- Spanish literacy
- Computer literacy
- English as a Second Language

We believe that by providing a high-quality, basic adult education program to immigrant, Spanish-speaking adults, we are helping them conquer barriers to employment and other goals that affect their quality of life.



Our goals are:

- to provide accessible and relevant instruction to the adult basic education student in Spanish,
- to increase the motivation of our students to finish their classes,
- to provide quality instruction in the class, and
- to work collaboratively with other institutions in order to increase the likelihood of personal success for our adult students.

For more information about the Adult Basic Education (ABE) Program, please contact the Latino Center of the Midlands at (402) 733-2720.

Mail:

4821 South 24th Street

Omaha, NE 68107

Phone: 402.733.2720

Fax: 402.733.6720

E-mail: info@latinocenterofthemidlands.org