

David C. Lizárraga is Chairman of TELACU's Community Commerce Bank and Chairman and Founder of the TELACU Education Foundation. Under his leadership as President, CEO and Chairman for more than 35 years, TELACU, the parent company, grew from a fledgling organization to become the largest Community Development Corporation (CDC) in the nation, which today focuses its more than \$700 million in assets on improving the lives of individuals and families in the communities it serves.

Internationally recognized as an expert in economic and community development, his knowledge, reputation and enthusiasm make Lizárraga a highly sought-after contributor to business, civic, educational and government-based organizations. In addition to his appointment to the U.S. Treasury Department's Community Development Advisory Board by President Barack Obama, Lizárraga received a Presidential appointment to the National Commission on Neighborhoods, and he has served as a Gubernatorial appointee to several State Commissions including the World Trade Commission, New Motor Vehicle Board, and Arts Council. For six years, he served as Board Chairman of the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (USHCC), which represents the interests of our nation's three-million Hispanic-owned businesses.

Lizárraga created the innovative business model upon which TELACU is structured. The parent non-profit owns and operates TELACU Industries—its for-profit holding company. The 13 for-profit businesses create jobs; provide hard working families and businesses with access to capital; and build quality, affordable homes and community assets, such as schools, government facilities, and transportation projects. Each and every TELACU business generates a double bottom line—profitability that is inseparable from social impact.

As Chairman and Founder of the TELACU Education Foundation for more than 30 years, he has established a vast network of partners including top corporations, individuals and more than two dozen colleges and universities. These partnerships help ensure that sufficient resources are available to annually support 500 full-time college students and 1,600 middle and high school students, nursing school students and veterans. TELACU Scholars have built a stellar legacy of excellence: historically 99% of students graduate high school and almost without exception pursue higher education; 99% of college students graduate with at minimum a Bachelor's, and many go on to earn advanced degrees, with an emphasis in Business and STEM-related disciplines.

A champion of higher education, Lizárraga serves on Cal State L.A.'s President's Council and has also served as a board member/trustee of: CSU Foundation; Whittier College; Independent Colleges of Southern California; Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute; and California Latino Caucus Institute.

To empower small- and medium-sized Latino-owned businesses nationwide and increase Latino representation in the top ranks of Corporate America, Lizárraga also serves/has served on: California Utilities Diversity Council; Hispanics in Energy; Congressional Hispanic Caucus' Corporate America Task Force; Wells Fargo/Wachovia's Community Development Enterprise; Citibank's California/Nevada Community Advisory Council; and Bank of America's National Community Advisory Council.

Lizárraga serves on White Memorial Medical Center's Governing, Foundation, and Capital Campaign Boards, and has also served on numerous diverse boards including Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce, Los Angeles County Music Center Operating Company, Los Angeles City Club, and Faith Community Church.

Consistently recognized among our nation's most influential Hispanic leaders, Lizárraga has been accorded numerous regional and national honors and awards for his business achievements, commitment to community economic development and empowerment, and philanthropic endeavors. These include: 2015 Ellis Island Medal of Honor; Entrepreneur of the Year Awards from both *Entrepreneur Magazine* and Ernst & Young; NAACP Thurgood Marshall Award; Theodore Herzl for Visionary Leadership Award; Minority Business Advocate of the Year from the U.S. Small Business Administration and MBDA; USC Legacy Award, and Spirit of Life Award from the City of Hope. His career has also been the subject of numerous articles in local and national media.

Lizárraga received an Honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters from CSU Los Angeles. A proud veteran of the Armed Services, he and his wife reside in the Los Angeles area where he was born and raised.

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