

# TEQUIO RISING 2024

Thank you for joining us this evening for Tequio Rising, a fundraiser to support the 2024 Tequio Scholarship fund. This year we are gathered around the theme "Weaving our Futures" to mark our 12th annual Tequio Rising event where we inspire and encourage academic success within our indigenous community

The Tequio Scholarship Fund benefits the youth of indigenous Mexican roots across Ventura, San Luis Obispo, and Santa Barbara County who are in pursuit of higher education

#### MARCH 22, 2024

Ventura County Community Foundation (VCCF) 4001 Mission Oaks Blvd Suite A, Camarillo, CA 93012



# TEQUIO RISING EVENING PROGRAM

#### WELCOME

will begin at 5:35 sharp

#### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Brenda Santos & Lesley Flores

Club Flor Bonita: Las Chinas Oaxaqueñas Dance

A word from Tequio Speakers

Anthony Ventura, Isabel Cruz, Maria Lopez

**CLOSING** 

Club Flor Bonita: Danza de las Piñas







#### FOOD & DRINKS FROM



La Mixteca Restaurante Oaxaqueño, a local neighborhood eatery, provided delicious Oaxacan cuisine.

611-613 S Oxnard Blvd Oxnard, CA 93030 hace coffee

Established in 2010, Beacon Coffee specializes in sourcing coffee directly from the producers and roasting on-site.

5777 Olivas Park Drive Suite R Ventura, California 93003



#### WHO ARE THE TEQUIO YOUTH?

The Tequio Youth Program develops the leadership skills of Indigenous youth to promote Indigenous pride, encourage academic achievement, and advocate against bullying of Indigenous young people. MICOP's Tequio Youth Group served over 140 youths across Ventura, Santa Barbara, and San Luis Obispo County in 2023.

Tonight, we gather around the theme "Weaving our Futures" to raise funds to benefit our indigenous youth in their pursuit of higher education. By attending, sponsoring, and supporting Tequio Rising, you are weaving your support into their educational journey, and we are incredibly grateful and honored to share an evening with you!



#### TEQUIO YOUTH SPEAKERS



Anthony Ventura's parents immigrated from Oaxaca, Mexico, in the late 80's and have been in Oxnard for as long as he can remember. Anthony went to Pacifica High School and graduated from Oxnard College with an Associate's in Mathematics. He is currently enrolled at CSUCI as a Mechatronics Engineering student and was a 2023 Tequio Youth Scholarship recipient. He plans to continue his education and ultimately attain a PhD in Electrical Engineering.

María Rosa Lopez Cruz (she/her/ella) is from San Jose Lachiguiri a Zapotec community, and proudly identifies with her Oaxaqueno heritage. María works as a Disease Investigation Specialist with the University of California San Francisco, California Department of Public Health, and Ventura County Public Health.

She is a former Tequio Youth Group member and has graduated from California State University Monterey Bay with a BA in Spanish Language and Hispanic Cultures.





Isabel Cruz Santiago (she/her/Ella) is from the San Juan Mixtepec Mixtec community and proudly identifies with her Oaxaqueno heritage. Isabel currently attends Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo where she is majoring in Political Science and Journalism.

Isabel is a former Tequio Youth Group member who graduated from Allan Hancock College with an Associate in Political Science.











### SOMOS VECINOS Y TODOS CONTAMOS

We are all neighbors and we all count!

Please join us in celebrating the profound impact of the Mixteco/Indigena Community Organizing Project (MICOP) in Santa Barbara and Ventura counties. For over two decades, MICOP has been a beacon of hope, empowerment, and support for the indigenous migrants from the Mexican states of Oaxaca and Guerrero in the Central Coast. We are grateful to MICOP's Board of Directors, dedicated staff team, volunteers, and donors for their leadership and service to our community.

VCCF is proud to support Tequio Rising and the celebrate the indigenous youth as they pursue their academic dreams. We hope to empower and uplift this future generation of leaders in our community in their journey of achieving higher education.



805-988-0196 | vccf.org | info@vccf.org 4001 Mission Oaks Boulevard, Suite A Camarillo, CA 93012

# A brighter future starts today



We are proud to support the Mixtecto Indigena Community Organizing Project and their work to inspire academic achievement within the indigenous migrant community.





Gold Coast Health Plan is proud to support Ventura County's youth of indigenous Mexican roots.



www.goldcoasthealthplan.org



VCCU is proud to support
Tequio Rising Scholars

vccuonline.net • 805.477.4000





their commitment to supporting, organizing, and empowering indigenous youth.



Planned Parenthood California Central Coast



WE'RE PROUD TO SERVE
VENTURA COUNTY'S

### INDIGENOUS MIGRANT YOUTH

THANKS TO MICOP FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP!



**OXNARDCOLLEGE.EDU** 



# SANTA BARBARA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF

## **Behavioral Wellness**

A System of Care and Recovery







#### FONDO DE BECAS TEQUIO

Celebramos a los jóvenes de nuestra comunidad. ¡Felicidades por su compromiso en lograr sus sueños!



#### SUBSCRIBE TO OUR NEWSLETTER



Mixteco/Indigena Community Organizing Project invites you to join us for our 12th annual

# NDIGENOUS NOWLEDGE ONFERENCE

# RECLAIMING OUR VOICES

Join us for a day of shared learning, re-indigenizing research best practices, social justice, and reclaiming our space in academia as indigenous peoples.



Date & Time

April 26, 2024

9 a.m - 3 p.m

Location

Oxnard College Auditorium 4000 S Rose Ave Oxnard, CA 12345

Contact

events@mixteco.org



Ticket prices: \$80 for general admission or \$30 for students

# Special thank you to our amazing sponsors

Dr. Ramon Flores Jace Norton Dr. Mark Lisagor Sandy Young & Peter O'Keeffe























**UC SANTA BARBARA** 

Department of Linguistics



**Oxnard College** 

**Glass Law Group** 

## Please Consider Donating Here!

Thank you for supporting and motivating our next generation of indigenous leaders!



SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR HOST



Thank you for sharing your space so generously this evening!

