



2021 Annual Report

### **ABOUT LA PLAZA**

As the oldest and largest Latino-serving organization in Central Indiana, La Plaza is a vital bridge to opportunity for Latino families. Our mission is to strengthen Central Indiana by advocating for and preparing Latino students for educational success while connecting families to essential health and social services. La Plaza's vision—empowered Latinos building their own legacy—guides all our efforts.

We offer a continuum of education, workforce development, and social service programs that equip youth and adults with tools for long-term success. Our education initiatives, including Tu Futuro, Summer Discovery, and the Leadership Institute of Latino Youth, address college access and academic achievement. Health and safety programs such as Access and VOCA connect families to vital services and empower Latina survivors of domestic violence. La Plaza delivers a comprehensive range of programs that address educational disparities, promote economic mobility, and ensure the safety and well-being of Latino families—all grounded in compassion and cultural competency.

Serving over 1,500 unduplicated clients annually—98% low-income and 98% immigrants—La Plaza is trusted not only for our results but for our deep commitment to equity. We are a steady advocate, a responsive partner, and a force for self-sufficiency and community transformation.

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## **2021 PROGRAMS RECAP AND OUTCOMES**

**TOTAL SERVED** 

1,542
Unduplicated clients served



2,822 Individuals received direct services and thousands more received support through referrals, information, and events.

# THE LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE FOR LATINO YOUTH (LILY)



16
Individuals

TU FUTURO
(Your Future)



33 Individual served

- Offered daily virtual sessions to expose students to colleges and universities, a variety of
  careers and professionals, social and emotional wellness topics, academic instruction in the
  areas of Reading, Math, Spanish, and preparation for college entrance exams.
- Offered therapeutic support sessions for parents and their children via Zoom webinars.

Provided virtual after-school college preparation support and tutoring to high school students year-round.

# VICTIMS OF CRIME ACT (VOCA) PROGRAM

Latinas and their children in domestic violence situations served.



The VOCA program offers a variety of confidential services to Latina women and their families who are victims of domestic violence.

### LA PLAZA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

\$32,000 Scholarships were awarded to outstanding Latino students



### ACCESS TO HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES



1,275 Served



2,457
Applications with clients for IndyRental assistance

Rental assistance and household ite

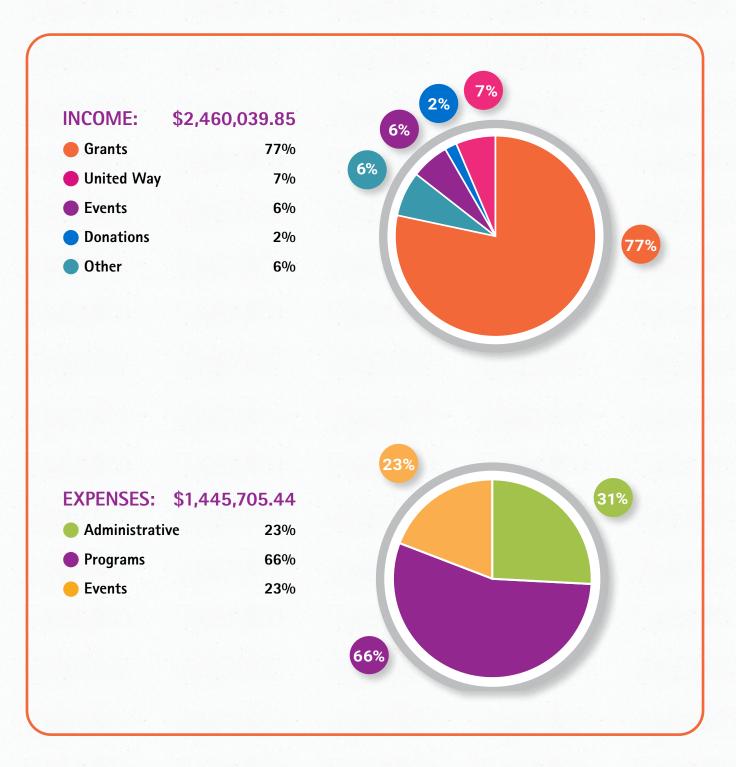
Individuals were served with housing assistance, health and social services, and emergency assistance with food, furniture, clothing, and transportation.

#### **HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE**

1,375

Individuals received gifts, food, and household items

# **2021 FINANCIAL RECAP**





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