



Jennifer Lorenzo, Youth & Family Counselor, assisting a family at La Casa's Strengthening Families Event.

## From the Desk of Ray Ocasio, Executive Director

There has been much news coverage, discussion, and protest lately about Newark's education system and the School District's proposed "One Newark" plan. What does it all mean?

The District tells us "One Newark" is about offering a choice for families to pick the best school for their child, irrespective of its location and proximity to their home. It is about achieving a quality education for all children, regardless of whether they attend a district or charter school. It is also about managing with less funding and a dwindling district school population, with fewer teachers and support services, closing some schools and co-locating others.

It would do us all well to familiarize ourselves about what is being proposed and opposed. I am fortunate to be in a number of venues where "One Newark" is being discussed. I can assure you, people we presumed to be knowledgeable are pondering many questions and the answers are not so clear.

But there are some facts. There are good, so-so and poor performing schools within the district and charter schools, here in Newark and throughout the nation. Newark already experienced some "renew" schools, [when the school leadership, teachers and support staff are released and new staff are drawn from an open selection process] with mixed results in student performance. "Redesign" schools undertake a "make-over" where the

school re-examines and makes changes to the schools' operations. A number of schools have experimented with different educational models and initiatives. But new initiatives may be problematic if funding falls short to maintain these models.

School closings, co-location, and the selling, leasing or disposing of school facilities are complicated issues with short and long term implications, financial concerns, transportation issues, higher and complex coordination of sharing, and equity issues. It also impacts the school community. Is there value in a shared neighborhood and school community?

There are questions families should be asking when selecting the school for their children. Does the school offer anything unique? How does it perform compared to other schools? What is the teacher:student ratio? Is there a social worker, a librarian, a nurse? The answers may suggest the school funding situation. With "open enrollment" not everyone can get their top choices, so what happens when children do not get their top school choice?

There are questions at a grand level as well. Must the district population diminish and what are the implications? Is it a matter of choice, a didactical, a financial or policy issue, or all of the above?

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# La Casa Connection

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Thanks to dozens of generous supporters, hundreds and children and families experienced a brighter holiday season this past winter. [Page 6](#)

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## Board Member Dedicated to a Cause with a Broad Mandate

**John Schachtel**, La Casa Board Member since 2012, is Chief Operating Officer of OneMain Financial. With over 30 years of experience in the finance industry, John also serves as a member of La Casa's Finance Committee.



*John Schachtel*

#### Why did you join La Casa's Board of Trustees?

My decision to join was based primarily on community and home. As a lifelong resident of Essex County I saw an opportunity to support a great cause with a broad mandate that was close to home and my community. The mission of La Casa and its programs benefit so many across the county and this diversity was also a deciding factor for me.

#### What do you enjoy most about being on La Casa's Board?

The opportunity to meet great people, contribute in any way I can to the organization and see the work and ideas from the board come to fruition.

#### Why do you support La Casa?

The team at La Casa provides so many wonderful services – I want to help as much as I can!

*To learn more about how to get involved with La Casa's Board of Directors and other committees call 973.482.8312.*

#### As a supporter, leader and Board Member, why do you feel it's important for others to support La Casa?

In so many ways, community development corporations and similar organizations are inter-connected. Supporting one organization or initiative can clearly help many others directly or indirectly. It is important for everyone in the community who has the resources to assist. It will help them better understand how their support can help so many families and communities.

#### Of all of the programs and services La Casa offers, which ones speaks to you most?

After School and Early Childhood Education. I learned years back how complicated it is for members of a family to hold a job, travel and provide activities and opportunities for their kids. I was fortunate to have resources and family nearby but I realize that most people don't have the support structure for small children and these programs fill such an important gap in that area.



*Early Childhood Teacher Diocelin Velazquez and students march armed with the sign, "Protecting children is not just the parent's duty. It is a society duty."*

## Walk and Rally for Peace

More than 200 community members, early childhood partners, organizers and La Casa staff joined together on April 8th to demonstrate that enough is enough. Just days before, directly in front of La Casa's Early Childhood Development Center at 202 First Street, a senseless act of gun violence shocked the community. Fortunately, no children or staff were injured. The walk and rally served as a reminder that even in a city where shootings are regularly highlighted in the news, just as this one was, the community will not tolerate gun violence, especially when it endangers the lives of young people.

When the crisis first hit, staff handled the situation professionally and calmly, following all proper safety measures in their lockdown policy procedure. Crisis teams from Newark Public Schools also visited the center offering support services to staff, students and parents.

Special thanks to our friends and supporters who reached out expressing their concern following the shooting.

View photos from the demonstration here: [www.flickr.com/photos/lacasadonpedro](http://www.flickr.com/photos/lacasadonpedro).

## RECENT GRANT AWARDS ROUND -UP

- GE Capital Retail Bank grant to support job development and placement services.
- Wells Fargo Regional Foundation to support the implementation of the Lower Broadway Community Plan.
- Verizon Wireless HopeLine grant to support domestic violence advocacy efforts.
- The Horizon Foundation for New Jersey grant to support the Healthy Living Initiative.
- Garfield Foundation grant to support community organizing efforts.
- IOLTA Fund of the Bar of New Jersey grant to support immigration services.
- Two Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey grants to support the Healthy Living Initiative and Affordable Care Act marketplace outreach and enrollment.
- Wells Fargo UrbanLIFT to support a community improvement project in Lower Broadway.
- The New Jersey Department of Labor & Workforce Development Literacy Innovation Grant to align the High School Equivalency education program to the common core curriculum.
- Hyde & Watson Foundation grant to support the purchase of furniture for the newly renovated basement at 23 Broadway.

## FAST FACTS

4,594

The number of people who received information about the Affordable Care Act by the **Youth, Family and Health Services team**. They also processed 646 applications through the marketplace and assisted 428 people submit applications for Medicaid and NJ Family Care.



Frankie Lee sharing his testimony at La Casa's Annual Event, "La Casa es Su Casa."

*"I am changed man! A man on a mission to help troubled youth in our local communities realize that a life of crime and violence is not worth it. A man on a mission to stay employed and someday become a project director of a program similar La Casa's. A man on a mission to become a homeowner, a husband and a father."*

## Story of Impact: Frankie D. Lee

For almost 17 years **Frankie D. Lee** spent his time behind the walls of Northern State Prison, not as an employee, but as an inmate.

Although Frankie was not proud of the choices he made that led to his incarceration, he is grateful due to the lessons he learned, the opportunities he landed, relationships he developed along the way, and a new sense of optimism about his future.

Frankie's outlook on life was not always so bright. With so many barriers faced by people with criminal records he was discouraged and unoptimistic. But Frankie knew he needed to move forward and the first step was to find a job. Although prison offered him basic training in carpentry and plumbing skills, listing Northern State Prison as his place of employment didn't quite suffice on job applications.

After weeks of applying for various jobs with no leads, through a friend's recommendation he registered for the City of Newark's Prisoner Re-Entry Program, and was referred to La Casa de Don Pedro, one of the agencies contracted by the City to provide re-entry services. Frankie was unfamiliar with the organization and because of its name thought it only served Hispanics. Much to his surprise, when he arrived at La Casa's 39 Broadway location, he saw people of all races and genders, and many people recently released receiving education and employment preparation services and support.

*After spending some days feeling like I would never find a job, once I came through La Casa's doors I felt hopeful. I didn't feel as though I was going to be judged or looked down upon because of my past. Nor did I feel as though I would be turned back or never get a callback for anything because of my criminal history. I left La Casa feeling empowered because La Casa saw my ability and need to want to change and gave me the opportunity to do just that.*

May 2014 marked one year since Frankie's release and during this short period of time many amazing things have happened in his life. With La Casa's assistance, he is gainfully employed as a full time **Green Team Supervisor** at the **Greater Newark Conservancy**, has earned his driver's license, and has reconnected with family members. He is even engaged to be married this summer.

*As a former re-entry program participant, I have benefitted a great deal from the services provided to me and have a huge appreciation for the organization and the work they do in the our neighborhoods. La Casa supports individuals facing daily crises and empowers them to address the issues in their lives. They have helped inspire people like me not to give up!*

-Frankie D. Lee

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

To learn more about our Re-Entry program call 973.481.4713.

# La Casa es Su Casa Event Honors Champions for Social Justice

La Casa launched the 2014 Special Events Series on May 1<sup>st</sup> at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center with the annual cocktail reception *La Casa es Su Casa*. The event celebrated May Day (International Worker's Day) with 165 leaders of Greater Newark businesses, non-profits, and corporations.

**Good Day New York** personality **Ines Rosales** served as the event emcee, and with the addition of a tricky tray raffle the event proved entertaining as well as thought provoking.

With its theme "Visualizing Social Justice" the event honored Social Justice Champions: **Lyneir Richardson**, Executive Director of The Center for Urban Entrepreneurship and Economic Development at Rutgers Business School; **Phyllis Salowe-Kaye**, Executive Director of NJ Citizen Action; and **Milly Silva**, Executive Vice President of the 1199 SEIU United Healthcare Workers East. All three were recognized for their dedication to advocating, introducing policies, and creating opportunities for working families and for some of the most disenfranchised members of the Greater Newark and New Jersey communities.



Guests enjoying the event.

Guests were moved by Frankie D. Lee's touching testimony about his experience at La Casa de Don Pedro's re-entry program after his release from prison.

Executive Director Raymond Ocasio closed the program and reminded guests that the economic challenges continue to persist within the community La Casa serves. These challenges also impact the ability of not for profits like La Casa to adequately and effectively support the demand.

Sponsors of the event were Gold: **Chase, PSE&G, Wells Fargo**, Bronze: **MetLife, Prudential Financial, Inc., Verizon**, Friend: **Horizon NJ Health, McCarter & English, North Jersey Federal Credit Union, PNC Bank and WithumSmith+Brown.**

Photos from the event can be viewed at: [www.flickr.com/photos/lacasadedonpedro](http://www.flickr.com/photos/lacasadedonpedro).

To learn more about the 2014 Special Events Series visit: <http://www.lacasawk.org/news-and-events/2014-special-events/> or call 973.482.8312 (please also see page 8).



Michael Zavada [R], Seton Hall University's Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences with Nicholas Scalera, Board Member [L].



After School Enrichment Program participants, Kevin Noriega, Age 9 and Stephan Noriega, Age 7 in front of Kevin's art piece "Water" with their parents.



La Casa Board Secretary, Jesus Mercado Jr., participating in the tricky tray raffle.



L-R: Rita Robles, Board Vice-President, Ray Ocasio, Executive Director, Honorees Lyneir Richardson, Milly Silva, and Phyllis Salowe-Kaye, and Richard Roper, Board President. Rear: Frankie Lee.

On display were striking paintings by children of La Casa's Afterschool Enrichment Program showcasing their visions of social justice.

JOIN US FOR OUR 2014 SPECIAL EVENTS SERIES

**September 4, 2014**  
Burgers and Brew

**September 21, 2014**  
Festival de la Familia Latina

**October 2014**  
National Latino AIDS Awareness Day

For information about sponsorship opportunities contact Tenisha Malcolm , Fund Development Associate at 973.482.8312.

## Meeting Enrollment Goals for Affordable Health Coverage

When President Obama announced the enrollment data for the Affordable Care Act earlier this Spring, **La Casa proudly acknowledged its Youth, Family & Health Services team** for the part they played in reaching those results while exceeding all program goals.

Through support from the **Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey, The Horizon Foundation for New Jersey and the Hispanic Federation**, La Casa conducted dozens of workshops and participated in a many community wide events and health fairs. **4,594 individuals** received information about the Affordable Care Act, and **646 people** submitted applications through the marketplace. The team also assisted **428**

**individuals** submit applications for Medicaid and NJ Family Care.

“Our goal was to ensure community members were educated and well informed of affordable options and other services,” said Edward Hernandez, Director of the Youth, Family & Health Services Division. “We are very proud of what we have accomplished and will continue to lead the efforts to provide information, assist and connect people, especially our Spanish speaking neighbors, with access to affordable coverage.”

Although the Affordable Care Act marketplace enrollment is closed until the Fall, La Casa provides ongoing assistance to qualifying individuals for Medicaid coverage. People interested in finding out more can visit 282 First Avenue on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and 23 Broadway on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Tania Guaman, Healthy Living Initiative Coordinator at 973.624.4222 ext. 7228.

### From the Desk of Ray Ocasio, Continued

What does it mean to have a bifurcated “One Newark” between traditional district schools and a coalition of charters that in many respects are independent school districts? Will “One Newark” bind all parties with a coordinated action agenda? Who should determine the number, nature and scope of charter schools? Could better coordination be achieved with greater power at the local level? How will it be managed? At what cost and who will pay for it?

Not to be forgotten is the reason behind the changes. Too many Newark children have been let down, if not failed by the current educational system. Continuing the status quo is not an option. We have to challenge this failure and injustice.

To get to some of these answers and move forward, Newarkers and other voices need to lower the heat and enter into a constructive dialogue that allows for honest discussion of these questions with facts, meaningful and practical options and the opportunity to weigh in with alternatives. If we can get there, then we have accomplished the real “choice” that matters. If we truly get it right, all children could succeed!

## Celebration of Achievements in Lower Broadway

On Wednesday, April 16th over 90 people gathered in Barringer High School's auditorium to celebrate the accomplishments achieved over the past year that are helping make the Lower Broadway Neighborhood a great place to live, work and play.



Newark Chief of Police Ivonne Roman accepting the Community Safety Award on behalf of the Newark Police Department.

The Lower Broadway Neighborhood Association, an umbrella group composed block club leaders, merchants, school representatives, and other partners. coordinated the “Second Annual Celebration of Success” event with support f La Casa's **Community & Economic Development** team. La Casa helped form the group and continues to support them advance the goals the community identified in the 2011 neighborhood plan “Transforming Lower Broadway: Our Quality of Life Roadmap.”

The event recognized **The Green Street Initiative Summer Youth Program** for conducting an inventory of trees in the Lower Broadway neighborhood. As a result, trees were planted along 7th Avenue leading to Branch Brook Park to create a cherry blossom trail. **McKinley Elementary School** received the Education Award for serving as a model for inclusion learning for special needs children across the district. **Arthur Hood of Vanguard Inspection Group** received the Economic Development Award for providing countless volunteer hours for La Casa's First Time Homebuyers classes. **Newark Chief of Police, Ivonne Roman** accepted the Community Safety Award on behalf of the **Newark Police Department** for

helping reduce crime in the neighborhood over the past two years. The **Pavilion Tenants Association** received the Community Engagement Award for taking on the challenge of improving their high rise apartment complex and creating engagement opportunities for their residents.

Now armed with an implementation grant from the **Wells Fargo Regional Foundation**, together with the community, La Casa is excited to continue to advance the goals of the neighborhood plan.

To learn more about the Lower Broadway Neighborhood Association and the Lower Broadway neighborhood plan, visit <http://www.broadwaynewark.com/>.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Contact Krystyna Soljan, Community Organizer, Community Economic Development Division at 973.485.0701 ext. 4619.

# #GIVINGTUESDAY™

## Inaugural #Giving Tuesday™ Campaign Exceeds Fundraising Goal

Hundreds of families and children enjoyed a more festive holiday season last year thanks to the dozens of donors who contributed to La Casa's #GivingTuesday™ campaign. La Casa, among 5000+ other partners worldwide, joined in the #GivingTuesday movement as a way to inspire people to take collaborative action to improve their local communities and give back in better, smarter ways. The #Giving Tuesday campaign ran from December 3-31. **All goals were exceeded, raising more than \$13,000 to support La Casa's programs and services, with in-kind donations and holiday food and toys valued at over \$12,000.**

"Our #GivingTuesday efforts helped increase awareness about our organization, promoted the spirit and value of giving back and demonstrated what people working together for the community's good can accomplish," said Ray Ocasio, Executive Director.

La Casa's #GivingTuesday campaign was made possible with the support of our important ambassadors.

"As a Catholic school, we believe it is our mission to instill our students with values that also embody social responsibility, particularly through service to those in need. We believe it is important for our students to give back to the local community through time, talent and treasure."

**Seton Hall Preparatory School  
#GivingTuesday Gold Ambassador**



Seton Hall Prep students held a toy drive and a dress down day that raised almost \$1,200.

*Both of our great grandparents came to America around 1915 and settled in Newark. The community provided opportunities to our family to work and make a living to support our growing families. It was a community that served us well and for that among many other reasons we choose to give back. Our participation in #GivingTuesday was a humbling experience and we count our blessings each day and pray that we can continue to support the holiday food & toy drive each year!"*

**Annie & Anthony Basile  
#GivingTuesday Gold Ambassadors**

*"Supporting La Casa offers an undeniable experience to be part of the community. I am consistently amazed at the breadth of programs, and the level of attention and dedication exhibited by La Casa staff toward the people they serve."*

**Christopher Merlino  
#GivingTuesday Gold Ambassador**

*"IDT believes in providing a helping hand to those in need, starting in our backyard. We understand the importance that La Casa de Don Pedro has within the community and we are proud to support noble causes that assist in providing a safer, more informed, well rounded community."*

**Danilda Ramirez  
Marketing Manager, IDT Corporation  
#GivingTuesday Gold Ambassador**

*"Our family & friends have been supporting the Holiday Toy Drive for seven years. We are blessed to have a large network of family and friends that are able to donate toys, food and their time. Seeing the kids unwrap the toy they wanted most is so special. We know they are grateful; their faces tell it all! It's a gratifying experience. Every family deserves to have a happy holiday and if we can help make it easier for the parents of La Casa to do that for their children, then we've done our job!"*

**Miriam Silver & Joseph Verga  
#GivingTuesday Gold Ambassador**



Annie Basile (R) with family and friends collected 100 turkeys, 200 lbs of potatoes, 100 lbs of onions, and bags and bags of rice and canned goods for families in need over the holiday season.

**SILVER AMBASSADORS: Samuel August for the Lower Broadway Neighborhood Association, Dawn Gammon, Lanny Kurzweil, Louis & Ramona Prezeau, Prudential Foundation, Nicholas Scalera, John Schachtel, and Quick Quality Restaurants, Inc.**

**Bronze Ambassador: Richard Inserro**

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## Recent Highlights

The **Housing and Community Development Network** honored **Ray Ocasio** for his five years of service as the Network's Board Chair at its 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration. Among many accomplishments, Ray helped oversee the recent transition to the current Executive Director. While his Board term has ended, Ray will continue to support the Network's efforts and co-chair their 25th Anniversary Committee.



Ray Ocasio [L] at the Housing Community Development Network's 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

The **23 Broadway Community Center** underwent major renovations completed just before the New Year after years of decay to the center's staircases and severe water damage to the lower level (which once housed the teen program and computer lab). The renovations, made possible by two Newark Community Development Block Grants and a grant from the New Jersey Department of Children and Families, have brightened the once dark and dampened feel of the basement and the lower level hallways. Special thanks to **the Community & Economic Development team** for ensuring the quality project was completed on time.

Photos of the renovations can be viewed at: [www.flickr.com/lacasadedonpedro](http://www.flickr.com/lacasadedonpedro).

La Casa's **Early Childhood Centers** recognized the National Association for the Education of Young Children's Annual **Week of the Young Child** in April with plenty of entertaining activities including a carnival and multicultural festival. The Week of the Young Child is celebrated to focus public attention on the needs of young children and their families and to recognize the early childhood programs and services that meet

those needs. Photos from our centers' activities can be viewed at: [www.flickr.com/photos/lacasadedonpedro](http://www.flickr.com/photos/lacasadedonpedro).



Children enjoying a presentation at the 75 Park Avenue Early Childhood Center's Week of the Young Child event.

The **Energy Conservation program** within the **Community Improvement Division** has secured its largest weatherization project ever. The 221 unit fifteen floor senior occupied multi-family high rise building on Court Street in downtown Newark is undergoing a major energy renovation. All units are being upgraded with energy efficient refrigerators, commercial windows, air conditioner covers, energy-saving light bulbs, new faucet aerators, energy efficient windows, and low flow shower heads. The project is expected to be complete this Fall.

La Casa's **First Time Homebuyer Education Program** is now reaching Hudson County. La Casa recently signed a contract with the City of Jersey City to provide first time homebuyer education courses to Jersey City's Golden Neighborhood program recipients.

Hispanic Business recognized La Casa de Don Pedro among the **Top 25 Latino Non-Profit Organizations** in the country. This is the 7<sup>th</sup> year La Casa has earned this recognition.

In late April, **La Casa's Youth Family & Health Services (YFHS) Division** hosted its annual **Strengthening Families Event** at First Avenue Elementary School. Over 500 families how to improve their health, social, educational and economic situations.

Community partners and local non-profit agencies offered a variety of resources, information and activities. A special thanks to all of the YFHS staff who volunteered their time to help make the event was a great success!

Photos can be viewed at: [www.flickr.com/lacasadedonpedro](http://www.flickr.com/lacasadedonpedro).



La Casa's Family Success Centers provide a convenient local point of contact for families to access services and benefits including Zumba classes. Here the class participates at the Strengthening Families Event.

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**Don't Miss Our Exciting 2014 Special Events Series Line-Up**

*La Casa es Su Casa* kicked off La Casa's 2014 Special Events Series in May. Next up is the 2<sup>nd</sup> **Annual Burgers & Brew** on Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at McLoone's Boathouse in West Orange. The casual evening will celebrate the end of summer with a bonfire overlooking the beautiful Orange Reservoir at the South Mountain Reservation. Join us for unlimited burgers and seasonal brew. Last year's event was sold out and we plan to pack the venue again this year! Visit: <http://www.lacasanwk.org/news-and-events/burgers-brew/> for ticket & sponsorship information, updates and more.

On Sunday, September 21st, in partnership with the City of Newark La Casa will host the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual **Festival de la Familia Latina**. The free family friendly event held on Bloomfield Avenue in Newark celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month with live music, entertainment, food, art, cultural exhibitions and games for the entire family.

The event series will conclude in October with **National Latino AIDS Awareness Day**, held to raise awareness about the severity of HIV/AIDS in the community. Stay tuned for updates on the event date and location.

Special thanks to the Special Event Series Premiere Sponsors: Chase, PSE&G, and Wells Fargo.

If you can't make any of these events but still want to help support the cause, consider making a donation. Give online at: <https://donatenow.networkforgood.org/lacasadedonpedro> or contact Tenisha Malcolm, Fund Development Associate at 973.482.8312 or [tmalcolm@lacasanwk.org](mailto:tmalcolm@lacasanwk.org).

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