

## HISPANIC HERITAGE FOUNDATION HOSTS 2ND ANNUAL LOFT INVESTORS FORUM IN LOS ANGELES FOR 100 LATINO PENSION FUND TRUSTEES, INVESTMENT STAFF, AND FINANCE PROFESSIONALS

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Los Angeles, CA - Hispanic Heritage Foundation's (HHF) Latinos On Fast Track (LOFT) program is hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual LOFT Investors Forum (Forum) for 100 Latino pension fund trustees, investment staff, and early-career finance professionals on June 23 – 24, 2015, at Loyola Marymount University, Roski Dining Hall, 1 LMU Drive, Los Angeles, CA. The Forum's official partner is the California State Teachers Retirement System (CalSTRS). Approximately \$1 trillion in combined assets in pension funds are being overseen by the Latino trustees and investment staff attending the Forum. For more information on the Forum visit [www.loftinvestorsforum.org](http://www.loftinvestorsforum.org).

HHF will also present Mina Pacheco Nazemi, Partner at GCM Grosvenor, with the LOFT Inspira Award, which means inspiration, for her impact on the finance industry as a Latina leader as well as for serving as a source of inspiration and guidance to other Latinos/Latinas in finance. Keynote speakers will include the Treasurer of the United States Rosie Rios, treasurer of California and Trustee at CalPERS and CalSTRS John Chiang, former LA Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, former Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Henry Cisneros, and Former Controller of California Steve Westly.

The Forum will promote best practices, education, and a talent pipeline. Panelists will discuss personal experiences of trustees; board governance and fiduciary responsibilities; macroeconomic outlook; shareholder activism; asset allocation and risk management; equities; fixed income; real estate and real assets; private markets; hedge funds; regional, community, and impact investing; as well as specialized, diverse, and emerging manager programs.

"Through the LOFT Investors Forum, the Hispanic Heritage Foundation is providing a deeply needed space for Latino pension fund trustees, investment staff, and managers to learn, collaborate, and bring about improvements within pensions," said Emanuel Pleitez, Chairman of HHF and former Commissioner of the Board of Administration at the Los Angeles Fire and Police Pension system. "We appreciate the support of our sponsors and participants who understand not only the need to address the diversity gap in the finance industry but also the need to create a pipeline of talent going forward. We are also proud to highlight the career of Mina Pacheco who in addition to her professional accomplishments has demonstrated a commitment to making a difference in the community, especially with younger Latinos and Latinas in the finance space."

Forum sponsors include: GCM Grosvenor, Garcia Hamilton & Associates, Trident Capital, Robbins Arroyo LLP, Estancia Capital, LM Capital, Altura Capital, Small Business Community Capital, Eastridge Capital, Adelante Capital Management, McBride & Company, Meruelo Group, and The Carpenter Community BancFund, and PwC.

Net proceeds of the effort will fund LOFT's Finance Track including financial literacy and talent development initiatives in underserved communities. Opportunities to attend or sponsor are still available (for more information contact Dennis Fox at [Dennis@LOFTinstitute.org](mailto:Dennis@LOFTinstitute.org) or visit [www.LOFTInvestorsForum.org](http://www.LOFTInvestorsForum.org)).

**About HHF and LOFT**

The Hispanic Heritage Foundation, a nonprofit established by the White House in 1988, inspires, prepares, positions and connects Latino leaders in the classroom, community and workforce to meet America's priorities. HHF also promotes cultural pride, accomplishment, and the great promise of the community through public awareness campaigns seen by millions. HHF is headquartered in Washington, DC, and has offices in Los Angeles, New York, and Miami (Visit [www.HispanicHeritage.org](http://www.HispanicHeritage.org).) Follow Hispanic Heritage Foundation on Facebook and HHFoundation on Twitter.

HHF's award-winning leadership and workforce development program, Latinos On Fast Track (LOFT), are divided into 10 "Tracks," or industries, which are priorities for America including Innovation & Technology, Science & Healthcare, Engineering, **Finance**, Entrepreneurship, Education, Public Service, Law, Media & Entertainment, and Latinas. The LOFT Investors Forum falls within the Finance track of LOFT.

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