

President Obama to Address CHCI's 38th Annual Awards Gala

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Washington, DC - The Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (CHCI) announced today that President Barack Obama will address the largest Latino gala in the country at **CHCI's 38th Annual Awards Gala on Thursday, October 8, 2015 at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center. This marks six of the past eight years President Obama has addressed the CHCI Gala, going back to when he was a presidential candidate in 2008.**

"CHCI is honored to welcome President Obama to address our 38th Annual Awards Gala in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month on October 8," said Rep. Linda T. Sánchez. "His attendance reflects his ongoing commitment to the Latino community and to the future Latino and Latina leaders that CHCI works so hard to develop each year."

CHCI's 38th Annual Awards Gala, themed "*Powering Growth and Influence*" will convene the nation's largest and most prestigious gathering of Hispanic nonpartisan, public, and private sector leaders. The evening's festivities will include the presentation of the CHCI Medallion of Excellence awards to NFL hall of famer Anthony Muñoz and education advocate Sonia Gutierrez.

Actor Roselyn Sanchez will serve as celebrity host for the gala ceremony and the event will also feature a performance from Grammy Award-winning band La Santa Cecilia at the gala entertainment finale.

Each year, the CHCI Annual Awards Gala is the hallmark event during Hispanic Heritage Month in Washington, D.C., and serves as the unifying event for the Hispanic-American community. Proceeds from the Gala benefit CHCI's award-winning leadership development programs.

CHCI's 2015 CHCI Annual Public Policy Conference will be held October 6-7 in Washington, D.C. The full agenda is available online at <http://hbm.chci.org/2015-agenda/>. CHCI's HBM events will be available to view online at hbm.chci.org/livestream.

For press credentials, please visit <http://www.chci.org/news/page/2015-chci-hbm-media-credentials>.

About CHCI

CHCI is the premier Hispanic nonprofit and nonpartisan 501(c)(3) leadership development organization in the country that educates, empowers, and connects Latino youth by providing leadership development programs and educational services. CHCI directly impacts the lives of more than 1,700 students and young professionals each year through its [fellowships](#), [congressional internships](#), [scholarships](#), [Ready to Lead](#) (R2L[®]) college readiness program, and [R2L NextGen](#) program. [CHCI NextOpp](#) is its latest resource allowing young Latinos to save, search and share life-changing opportunities for Latinos across the United States.

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