Fairfax Democrats
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FCDC Latino Caucus General Meeting
Thursday, October 29, 2026 @ 7 PM – 8:00 PM
By Zoom

Agenda & Minutes

- **Call to Order**
  - Procedures Used
  - Approval of Agenda & Minutes (Ariana Espinosa, Secretary)
  - Chair Report (Maritza Zermeno)
- **Welcome** and **Introductions**
- **Open Discussion**
  - FCDC Latino Caucus Mission Statement
  - Statement of Purpose
- **Comments by visiting officials and candidates**
- **Old Business**
- **New Business**
- **Announcements**
- **Adjournment**

Happy Half-Hour (8pm – 8:30pm)

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Mission Statement
The Latino Caucus
Fairfax County Democratic Committee
Adopted August 25, 2022

The Vision/Mission of FCDC Democratic Latino Caucus (FCDCLC) is to expand the number of active Latino/Hispanic members, foster member's participation at all levels of FCDC, and address issues affecting Latino/Hispanic voters in Fairfax County. We will accomplish this through fundraising, community events, new membership drives, orientation into FCDC, education on voter registration, volunteering, and get out the vote (GOTV). We believe Power is in diversity and uniting for a common cause.

Estado de la Misión
El Caucus Latino
Comité Demócrata del Condado de Fairfax
Adoptado el 25 de Agosto de 2022

La Visión/Misión del Caucus Latino Demócrata de FCDC (FCDCLC) es expander el número de miembros Latinos/Hispanos activos, fomentar la participación de los miembros en todos los niveles de FCDC y abordar los problemas que afectan a los votantes Latinos/Hispanos en el Condado de Fairfax. Lograremos esto a través de recaudación de fondos, eventos comunitarios, nuevas campañas de membresía, orientación sobre FCDC, educación sobre el registro de votantes, voluntariado y salir a votar (GOTV). Creemos que el Poder está en la diversidad y en la unión por una causa común.

FCDC Latino Caucus
General Meeting
Thursday, September 24, 2026
7:00 PM – 8:00PM

Meeting Attendants: Gil Davenport, Maritza Zermeno, Ariana Espinoza, Russel Brooks, Leonardo Bintabara, Chris Falcon, Tim Huson, Leonel Rojas, Marta Calderon, Reed Stockman, Julia Galdo, Todd Thurwachter, Luisa Lopez, Federico Cura, Kelvin Garcia

Call to Order: Chair Maritza Zermeño called the meeting to order at 7:05pm. She also explained that since we were meeting online, that a unanimous consent procedure would be used.

Agenda Approval: Ariana Espinoza moved to approve the agenda. Russel Brooks seconded. The agenda was approved with no objections.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Ariana Espinoza moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting that took place on July 30, 2026. The motion was seconded by Russel Brooks and approved with no objections.

Dispensation of normal order: Maritza proposed dispensation of the normal order to allow the Chair to modify the agenda upon the need to accommodate invited guests and visitors. The motion was second by Ariana and approved with no objections.

Welcome and Introductions: Maritza invited participants to introduce themselves. Participants stated their names and provided brief remarks about their activities and connection to the Latino Caucus.

Featured Speaker: Tim Huson

- Tim Huson was introduced by Maritza. Following the introduction, Tim gave his remarks on Latino Organizing for 2026 and Beyond. Tim led latino outreach during the April 2026 redistricting campaign, the Spanberger campaign, and was awarded campaigner of the year by the Arlington Dems. He also noted that in areas with a high Latino population, the voter turnout increased, especially from Trump to Spanberger to the Yes campaign. His goal for upcoming and future elections is to maximize Latino voter turnout and increase the amount of bilingual volunteers.

Visiting Officials: <u>There were a few elected officials and guests at this meeting.</u>

- <u>Kelvin Garcia, Herndon Town Council:</u>
  - Kelvin Garcia relayed the need for canvassers in Herndon for his reelection campaign.
- <u>Chris Falcon, Clerk of the Fairfax Circuit Court</u>
  - Chris Falcon talked about the importance of focusing on field work during a campaign. He also talked about two programs that he is focusing on: releasing a property fraud program for Fairfax County residents and doing an expungement clinic in Sully district. (see **announcements** for more details)

- Leonardo Bintabara, Field Organizer for the Coordinated Campaign
    - Leonardo Bintabara talked about the need for volunteers and the upcoming canvass on 9/26. (see **announcements** for more details)
- Frederico Cura, Arlington Democrats
    - Federico Cura spoke on the importance of voting YES on the three constitutional amendments
- Julia Galdo, POP (People of Purpose)
    - Julia Galdo works with Day Laborers. She talked about the need for more Spanish speakers in her organizations. Her organization connects with Day Laborers across Northern Virginia to support them and give them insight on different community resources available to them.

Old Business:

- No Old Business

New Business:

- 9/26 Hispanic/Latino Canvass Launch in Franconia with Senator Warner (https://www.mobilize.us/va26cc/event/1042177/)
- 10/7 Latino Caucus Hispanic Heritage celebration 6-8pm (https://secure.actblue.com/donate/fcdchispanicheritage)
- 10/10 Hybla Valley Hispanic Heritage celebration

Announcements:

- This Saturday 9/26 Warner Bilingual Canvass in Franconia/Mount Vernon (https://www.mobilize.us/va26cc/event/1042177/)
- Fairfax Property Alert System (FREE PROGRAM) Set to be released week of Sept. 28th
- Fairfax County/Sully District Expungement Clinic Sat. Oct.17th 9am to Noon Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 6600 Old Centreville Rd, Centreville, VA 20121 (https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/circuit/criminal-case-information/expungement)
- 9/27 3-6pm LULAC is having a round table discussion on the election. In Prince William County
- Request for Latino and Bilingual volunteers for upcoming/future elections (contact us or Tim Huson if interested. latinos@fairfaxdemocrats.org, tim@huson.com)

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:10pm

Happy Half-hour: Informal meeting continued for a few minutes.