What is HoPe?

HoPe is a 501c3 nonprofit organization providing extracurricular programming for Hispanic high school students in Georgia. We provide students with intensive leadership development training, personalized graduation coaches, & service learning opportunities in their communities. We believe every student is one caring individual away from being a success story.

Our Vision

HoPe’s vision is to see the Hispanic community achieve a higher standard of living.

Our Mission

The mission of HoPe is to increase the graduation rate among Hispanic high school students through leadership, education, and community service.

“We are who we are today because someone else loved us so much that they were willing to turn down stability and comfort so that they would pass those privileges down to us.”

-Melissa Juarez
2019 HoPe Class Speaker
Legacy Leader ’19
Collins Hill HS President
QuestBridge National Scholar

- 17 School Districts
- 52 Chapters
- 208 Legacy Leaders
- 3,000+ Members
Legacy Leader Class of 2019 Demographics

Our diverse team of Legacy Leaders lead monthly meetings in their chapters, develop service projects for their community, and create resources for their members. Their experiences and backgrounds strengthen the organization and provide perspective, guidance, and support to our over 3,500 members.

Who is considered a Legacy Leader?

Legacy Leaders are the 208 HoPe officers that run the 52 HoPe leadership chapters across Georgia. In order to apply to be Legacy Leaders, students must have a GPA of above 3.0, be in good standing with their school, and undergo a rigorous application process.

Once selected, all Legacy Leaders must attend a three-day training event known as the HoPe Youth Leadership Summit (HYLS). Here, students learn the skills they will need to successfully lead enriching monthly meetings, successful fundraisers, effective promotional events, and meaningful community service projects.

This report focuses only on 2018-2019 senior Legacy Leaders and their achievements.
Alumni Spotlight: Nicolas Montoya

Nicolas Montoya and his family moved to the US from Colombia in search of a “better tomorrow” and a brighter future. Through this experience, Nicolas learned the value of hard work and perseverance.

As an ambitious and aware student, Nicolas challenged himself with Advanced Placement courses as well as a Dual Enrollment course. He served as West Forsyth High School’s HoPe Chapter President and left a lasting impact in his school through his extracurricular involvement.

Nicolas will be attending Harvard University this fall where he plans to forge his own path towards realizing his dream of obtaining the prestigious Marshall Scholarship.

He will continue working with HoPe in college as a Graduation Coach.

Class of 2019 Achievements

GPA

- 90% above a 3.0
- 47.5% above a 3.75
- 25% 4.0 or above

Graduation Rate

100%

Valedictorians

1

Top 5% of Class

15

AP/IB/Dual Enrollment Classes

- 86% took at least 1
- 62% took more than 5
- 22% took more than 10
Alumni Spotlight: Amy Tin

Amy Tin is graduating from Discovery High School as Valedictorian and has served as VP of Development this past year. Amy is the first in her family to graduate high school and pursue higher education.

Moving from Chamblee to Gwinnett at an early age, Amy fell in love with her community and HoPe became her family where she could relate to those like her. She grew up translating for her Vietnamese immigrant parents and seeks to work hard to repay them for their sacrifices.

Amy embodies servant leadership with her strong desire to help others. She will be attending the Georgia Institute of Technology this fall semester to study Mathematics.

She will continue working with HoPe upon graduation as a Graduation Coach.

Class of 2019 Scholarships

- DREAM.US Opportunity Scholarship (5)
- Posse Foundation Scholarship (2) Finalists (12)
- Goizueta Foundation Scholarship at GSU (2)
- Golden Door Scholars Program (1)
- QuestBridge National Scholars Program Finalists (4)
- Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards (1) Finalists (2)
- Liga de Campeones (1)
- Presidential Scholarships to Respective Colleges (3)
- The Gates Scholarship (1)
- HOPE Scholarship (34)
- Zell Miller Scholarship (13)

Their scholarships total: $3,779,769 for the upcoming school year $4,623,109 over the next 4 years
After our Legacy Leaders graduate, they join our HoPe Alumni Association, where they are able to network, volunteer, and attend alumni events. Many also choose to continue volunteering as directors, coordinators, district supervisors and graduation coaches for the organization. Their dedication throughout high school and their continuous post-graduation involvement is what makes them not just HoPe officers but legacy leaders in their schools and their communities.

Where are they now?

After graduating from their high schools and from the HoPe Leadership Chapter program, our 2019 graduates will be attending twenty-six colleges across the country.

- One of our Legacy Leaders is taking a gap year.
- One of our Legacy Leaders will be joining the National Guard.