

TECH-BASED MATH AND READING SUMMER PILOT PROGRAM LAUNCHES IN OAK CLIFF

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Dallas, TX – The George W. Bush Presidential Center, EveryoneOn, Hispanic Heritage Foundation (HHF) and U.S. Trust Bank will join Puede Network Founder Adan Gonzalez **at 2207 Harlandale Ave, Dallas, on Wednesday, August 9, 2017 6-8 pm CST**, to kick off a summer program for hundreds of Oak Cliff students and their parents that is tech-based and focuses on reading and math skills. The program aims to offset a drop-off in learning garnered during the school year and exacerbated by a lack of technology outside of schools.

Through this new initiative addressing the tech-education equity, students will gather at the Puede Academy three times a week with access to: computers donated by the Bush Center; Wi-Fi; mentors/tutors; and a specialized-curriculum tailored to the learning needs of the students using technology. In the fall when schools are back in session, the students will continue have access to Wi-Fi and the computers to do their homework at the Puede Academy three times a week to close what is known as the “homework gap.”

WHAT:

The George W. Bush Presidential Center, EveryoneOn, Hispanic Heritage Foundation (HHF) and U.S. Trust Bank will join Puede Network Founder Adan Gonzalez to kick off a tech-based summer program for hundreds of Oak Cliff students focused on reading and math skills. **The Oak Cliff effort is a pilot to address the inequity in education and workforce preparedness through better access to technology across the country.**

WHO:

The event will be attended by hundreds of Oak Cliff students and their parents and is the official kickoff of the innovative summer program. Featured speakers include:

- Adan Gonzalez, Founder and Executive Director, Puede Network
- Jose Antonio Tijerino, President, The Hispanic Heritage Network
- Chike Aguh, CEO, EveryoneOn
- Byron Sanders, Vice President, Private Client Associate, US Trust
- Holly Kuzmich, Executive Director, George W. Bush Institute

WHEN:

Wednesday, August 9, 2017 from 6-8 pm CST

PRESS: Media who plan to attend must please reply to sboynton@bushcenter.org by noon on Wednesday, August 9.

WHERE:

2207 Harlandale Ave, Dallas, Texas

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About the Hispanic Heritage Foundation

The Hispanic Heritage Foundation inspires, prepares, and connects Latino leaders in the classroom, community and workforce to meet America's priorities in priority fields. HHF also promotes cultural pride, accomplishment, and the great promise of the community through public awareness campaigns seen by millions. Visit www.HispanicHeritage.org.

About the Puede Network

The Puede Network, which serves over 500 underserved Latino families in Texas, promotes leadership, fitness, academics and community service through year-round after school programs aimed at K-12 students and their parents. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/SiSePuedeNetwork/>.

About EveryoneOn

EveryoneOn is a national nonprofit that creates social and economic opportunity by connecting people to the Internet. Since 2012, EveryoneOn has connected more than 500,000 people in the United States, with the goal of connecting one million people by 2020. For more information, visit EveryoneOn.org.

About the George W. Bush Presidential Center

Rooted in the guiding principles of President George W. Bush and Mrs. Laura Bush, the George W. Bush Presidential Center engages communities in the United States and around the world by developing leaders, advancing policy, and

taking action to solve today's most pressing challenges. The work is achieved through three Impact Centers – Domestic Excellence, Global Leadership, and our Engagement Agenda. The Bush Center is home to the George W. Bush Presidential Library and Museum, which is operated by the National Archives and Records Administration, and the George W. Bush Institute, the non-partisan, public-policy arm of the Bush Center. The Bush Center is located on the campus of SMU in Dallas, Texas, and also includes a 15-acre park; Café 43, a full-service restaurant; and a Museum Store. Learn more by visiting www.bushcenter.org.

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