Respondent Names
Virginia Frausto
Complainant Name
Joe Schons
Complaint Description
Joe Schons reported via the portal *(Wed, 1 Jul 2026 at 5:04 PM)* The mayor who was a council member in 2025 for City of Sunnyside claims no income for 2025. As a council person in 2025 she did not report the monthly $400 council stipend. The respondent also worked full time for two non profits run by the same people. They are Empowering Latina Leadership & Action and ELLA Adelante where according to their IRS Form 990 the respondent earned a combined income of $103,000.
What impact does the alleged violation(s) have on the public?
The respondent is the mayor of Sunnyside Wa. The allegation of filing a false F1 report for 2025 violates numerous conduct and ethics policies and jeopardizes the the publics trust in the mayor's fiscal responsibilities. The mayor who was a council member in 2025 for City of Sunnyside claims no income for 2025. As a council person in 2025 she did not report the monthly $400 council stipend. The respondent also worked full time for two non profits run by the same people. They are Empowering Latina Leadership & Action and ELLA Adelante where according to their IRS Form 990 the respondent earned a combined income of $103,000.
List of attached evidence or contact information where evidence may be found
https://www.pdc.wa.gov/.../financial-affairs-statements...](https://l.facebook.com/l.php. Found on Propublica web page-IRS Form 990 Empowering Latina Leadership & Action https://projects.propublica.org/nonprofits/organizations/844356467 Found on Propublica web page-IRS Form 990 ELLA Adelante https://projects.propublica.org/nonprofits/organizations/933112974
List of potential witnesses with contact information to reach them
Certification (Complainant)
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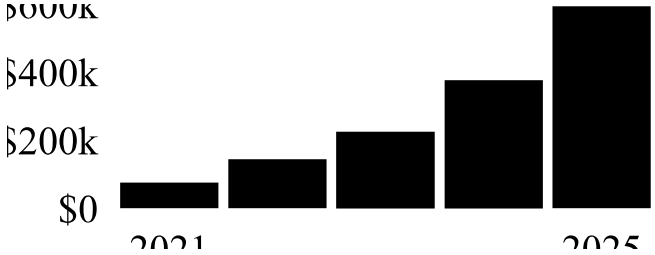
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Category: Educational Institutions and Related Activities / Educational Services and Schools - Other (NTEE)

Donations to this organization are tax deductible.

Summary charts: organization finances over time

Revenue
$594k (2025)



Expenses
$476k (2025)



Total Assets
$162k (2025)



Total Liabilities
$0 (2025)



Source: Form 990 tax filings from 2021 to 2025

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Revenue
$593,812
Expenses
$476,412
Net Income
$117,400
Net Assets
$162,278

Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Contributions	$583,585	98.3%
Program Services	$0	
Investment Income	$0	
Bond Proceeds	$0	
Royalties	$0	
Rental Property Income	$0	
Net Fundraising	$0	
Sales of Assets	$0	
Net Inventory Sales	$0	
Other Revenue	$10,227	1.7%

Notable Expenses		Percent of Total Expenses
Executive Compensation	$118,333	24.8%
Professional Fundraising Fees	$0	
Other Salaries and Wages	$111,202	23.3%

Assets/Debt	
Total Assets	$162,278
Total Liabilities	$0
Net Assets	$162,278

Compensation

Key Employees and Officers	Compensation	Related	Other
Maria Fernandez (Executive Director Board President)	$66,500	$0	$0
Virginia Frausto (Employee)	$51,833	$0	$0
Teodora Martinez (Board Secretary)	$0	$0	$0
Maria Frausto (Treasurer)	$0	$0	$0
Lorena Avalos (Board Member)	$0	$0	$0

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Revenue
$376,803
Expenses
$432,509
Net Income
-$55,706
Net Assets
$44,878

Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Contributions	$237,186	62.9%
Program Services	$0	

Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Investment Income	$0	
Bond Proceeds	$0	
Royalties	$0	
Rental Property Income	$0	
Net Fundraising	$0	
Sales of Assets	$0	
Net Inventory Sales	$0	
Other Revenue	$139,617	37.1%

Notable Expenses		Percent of Total Expenses
Executive Compensation	$0	
Professional Fundraising Fees	$0	
Other Salaries and Wages	$209,210	48.4%

Assets/Debt	
Total Assets	$52,174
Total Liabilities	$7,296
Net Assets	$44,878

Compensation

Key Employees and Officers	Compensation	Related	Other
Maria Fernandez (Executive Director Board President)	$68,500	$0	$0
Felicitas Rodriguez (Board Secretary)	$42,000	$0	$0
Teodora Martinez (Board Vice President)	$0	$0	$0

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Revenue
$225,170
Expenses
$223,546
Net Income
$1,624
Net Assets
$100,584

Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Contributions	$225,170	100%
Program Services	$0	
Investment Income	$0	
Bond Proceeds	$0	
Royalties	$0	
Rental Property Income	$0	
Net Fundraising	$0	
Sales of Assets	$0	
Net Inventory Sales	$0	
Other Revenue	$0	

Notable Expenses		Percent of Total Expenses
Executive Compensation	$0	
Professional Fundraising Fees	$0	
Other Salaries and Wages	$101,439	45.4%

Assets/Debt	
Total Assets	$104,287
Total Liabilities	$3,703
Net Assets	$100,584

Compensation

Key Employees and Officers	Compensation	Related	Other
Maria Fernandez (Executive Director Board Pres)	$73,000	$0	$0
Teodora Martinez (Board Vice President)	$0	$0	$0
Felicitas Rodriguez (Board Secretary)	$0	$0	$0

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Revenue
$143,750
Expenses
$93,492
Net Income
$50,258
Net Assets
$98,960

Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Contributions	$143,750	100%
Program Services	$0	
Investment Income	$0	
Net Fundraising	$0	
Sales of Assets	$0	

Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Net Inventory Sales	$0	
Other Revenue	$0	

Assets/Debt	
Total Assets	$99,741
Total Liabilities	$781
Net Assets	$98,960

Compensation

Key Employees and Officers	Compensation	Other
Maria Fernandez (Executive Director Board President)	$58,750	$0
Felicitas Rodriguez (Board Secretary)	$1,907	$0
Teodora Martinez (Board Vice President)	$0	$0

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Revenue
$75,000
Expenses
$26,298
Net Income

$48,702
Net Assets
$48,702

Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Contributions	$75,000	100%
Program Services	$0	
Investment Income	$0	
Net Fundraising	$0	
Sales of Assets	$0	
Net Inventory Sales	$0	
Other Revenue	$0	

Assets/Debt	
Total Assets	$48,702
Total Liabilities	$0
Net Assets	$48,702

Compensation

Key Employees and Officers	Compensation	Other
Maria Fernandez (Executive Director Board President)	$18,000	$0
Teodora Martinez Vice President (Board Vice President)	$0	$0
Felicitas Rodriguez (Board Secretary)	$0	$0

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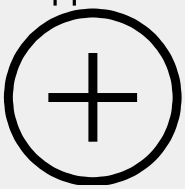
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Type of Nonprofit

Designated as a 501(c)(4) ☐ Civic leagues, social welfare organizations and local associations of employees, created to promote community welfare for charitable, educational or recreational purposes.

Category: Community Improvement, Capacity Building / Alliance/Advocacy Organizations (NTEE)

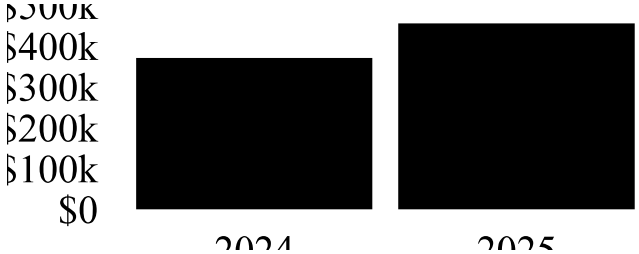
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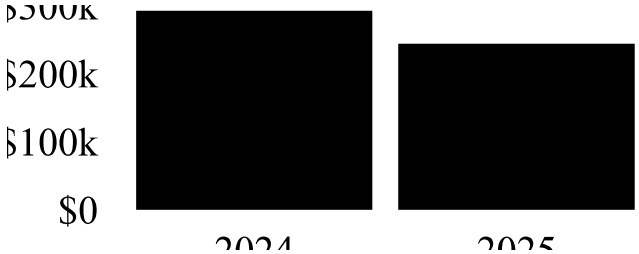
Revenue
$406k (2025)



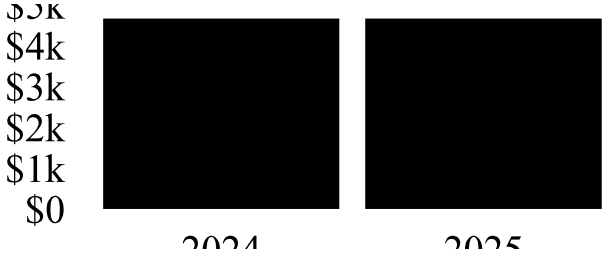
Expenses
$455k (2025)



Total Assets
$244k (2025)



Total Liabilities
$4.65k (2025)



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Revenue
$406,098
Expenses
$454,530
Net Income
-$48,432
Net Assets
$238,864

Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Contributions	$401,500	98.9%
Program Services	$0	
Investment Income	$0	
Bond Proceeds	$0	
Royalties	$0	
Rental Property Income	$0	
Net Fundraising	$0	
Sales of Assets	$0	
Net Inventory Sales	$0	
Other Revenue	$4,598	1.1%

Notable Expenses		Percent of Total Expenses
Executive Compensation	$66,500	14.6%
Professional Fundraising Fees	$0	
Other Salaries and Wages	$119,735	26.3%

Assets/Debt	
Total Assets	$243,518
Total Liabilities	$4,654
Net Assets	$238,864

Compensation

Key Employees and Officers	Compensation	Related	Other
Maria Fernandez (Executive Board Director)	$66,500	$0	$0
Virginia Frausto (Employee)	$51,833	$0	$0
Lorena Avalos (Board Member)	$0	$0	$0
Teodora Martinez (Board Secretary)	$0	$0	$0
Maria Frausto (Treasurer)	$0	$0	$0

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Revenue
$657,000
Expenses
$369,704
Net Income
$287,296
Net Assets
$287,296

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Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Contributions	$657,000	100%
Program Services	$0	

Notable Sources of Revenue		Percent of Total Revenue
Investment Income	$0	
Bond Proceeds	$0	
Royalties	$0	
Rental Property Income	$0	
Net Fundraising	$0	
Sales of Assets	$0	
Net Inventory Sales	$0	
Other Revenue	$0	

Notable Expenses		Percent of Total Expenses
Executive Compensation	$36,500	9.9%
Professional Fundraising Fees	$0	
Other Salaries and Wages	$28,876	7.8%

Assets/Debt	
Total Assets	$291,950
Total Liabilities	$4,654
Net Assets	$287,296

Compensation

Key Employees and Officers	Compensation	Related	Other
Maria Fernandez (Executive Board Director)	$26,500	$0	$0
Felicitas Rodriguez (Board Secretary)	$10,000	$0	$0
Teodora Martinez (Board Vice President)	$0	$0	$0

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