Homies Unidos is requesting your support to put together the first **Central American Youth Leadership Conference**. The event will take place at Santee Educational Complex for 500 Central American students and their families in Los Angeles to connect them with resources that will address their social determinants of health, education and legal services.

These youth have had a complex transitioning and reintegration process of becoming citizens of the United States. Consequently, Homies Unidos is proposing to put together the first locally accessible Youth Leadership Conference.

*The main purpose will be to ensure that these youth feel welcomed, introduced to service providers and to celebrate and promote Central American art and culture.*

As a direct result of this conference organized by our Central American youth who would have graduated from our summer Youth Leadership Training, will learn to organize around issues of health disparities based on their social determinants of health in their communities and will become part of a larger component of the **Immigrant Youth Council**. Which, we intend to implement after the conference to help youth express their concerns to the larger community.

Overall, over 500 Central American youth and families from various schools will benefit from the health resources, educational workshops and cultural activities provided by organizations and the youth themselves; which eventually would create opportunities for positive feedback, a health referral system and self-esteem building for Central American immigrant youth.

For more information on the conference please contact Paula Guadron at 323-893-1101

Conference site: [http://wp.me/PAA9A-tz](http://wp.me/PAA9A-tz)