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**UCLA's Center on Policy Research on Aging Marks  
15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with Groundbreaking Symposium:  
"Aging in Majority-Minority Nation: Interracial and  
Intergenerational Tensions and Opportunities"**

*Dr. Fernando Torres-Gil convenes symposium to examine the economic clash  
between aging white baby boomers and young Latinos*

*Los Angeles, California* —The UCLA Center for Research on Aging (CPRA), in cooperation with the Archstone Foundation and the UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs, today announced a groundbreaking symposium on **Thursday, March 21, 2013** to mark the center's 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The symposium, "Aging in a Majority-Minority Nation," will feature leading experts and researchers who will examine the interracial and intergenerational tensions and opportunities that will affect our nation for the next century.

"Our nation is at a major demographic crossroads," explains Dr. Fernando Torres-Gil, the director of CPRA and professor of Social Welfare and Public Policy. "The 65-and-over population will double over the next 30 years, while the younger non-white populations will continue to grow rapidly and become the single largest source of job and taxpayer growth in our country. These two forces raise a host of important policy and political issues whose solutions will require a balanced, analytical, and thoughtful approach."

Convened under the auspices of Dr. Torres-Gil, the symposium will include a morning roundtable discussion on enhancing the economic security of the Latino community. This session involves the CPRA's ongoing Ford Foundation-funded Latinos & Economic Security project, an eight-year collaboration with the USC Ethel Percy Andrus Gerontology Center and the UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center.

A keynote luncheon address—"Demographic Forces Reshaping the U.S"—by UCLA demographer Leo Estrada will include a policy response by Yung-Ping (Bing) Chen, UMASS Boston emeritus professor of gerontology.

An afternoon panel providing new data and analysis on the profound demographic changes now underway will feature four of the nation's leading policy analysts in demographic and aging research: Dr. Dowell Myers, director of USC's Population Dynamics Research Group, Dr. Gary Small, director of UCLA's Longevity Center, Dr. Frederick R. Lynch, professor of government at Claremont McKenna College and author of *One Nation Under AARP*, and Dr. Kathleen McGarry, UCLA economics professor and researcher at the National Bureau of Economic Research. Dr. Torres-Gil will moderate the session.

"As the Center for Policy Research on Aging marks a milestone in its history," says Dr. Fernando Torres-Gil, "I am pleased that we could bring together these leaders to look closely at what has been called the generational mismatch between 'the gray and the brown,' and explain how these deep currents of change will transform our society forever."

The symposium is open to the public and supported by a generous grant from the Archstone Foundation. It will be held at UCLA's DeNeve Commons.

To register, please go to: <http://ucla-cpra-symposium.eventbrite.com/#>

#### About CPRA

The Center for Research on Aging, which is based at UCLA, studies the major policy issues affecting our aging society including Social Security, Medicare, long-term care, and the social implications that accompany the aging of the baby boomer generation. The Center was established through a generous endowment from Rudy and Robert J. Myers.

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