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Pilsen Food Pantry Drive

We hope everyone is enjoying their summer so far!

We want to express our grat-i-tude to ALL who joined us, donated and contributed donated, and contributed to the success of our recent events.

At Desert Hawk with Smash Jibarito, members sang along to classics by Patsy Cline and Selena, among others — it was a night full of talent, laughter, and incredible vocals!

Our Ice Cream Social at 555 was also a sweet success! With paletas from Paeteria Los Magos, we collected the 3 c's that afternoon: cash, canned goods and connections.

We're proud to share that all proceeds were donated to Pilsen Pantry, which supports over 600 households every week in our community.

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DONATION RECORD

Please retain a copy for FWFF records & give original to donor

DATE	7/25/25
NAME OF PERSON/ ORGANIZATION	IAHSE / IL Association of Hispanic state employees
ADDRESS	
EMAIL	iahse.assoc@illinois.gov
PHONE	312 593 6011
DESCRIPTION OF DONATION	donation → canned goods \$126 CASH.
APPROXIMATE VALUE OR WEIGHT	120 LBS FOOD
RECEIVED BY	Print: STEVE WILSH Signature: <i>[Handwritten Signature]</i>

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Eventos Sociales



Legislative Updates

Presenting the 2025 Raíces Report

The Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Foundation (ILLCF) is proud to present the **2025 Raíces Report**—a powerful reflection of our shared values and a renewed commitment to the communities we serve across Illinois.

Raíces—Spanish for *roots*—is more than a name. It represents our moral compass, guiding the Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus and the Foundation in advancing equity, justice, and community development.

The insights captured in this report stem from the **2024 Raíces Public Policy Conference**, where community voices defined these values and offered solutions to the challenges we collectively face. Their input, supported by data and analysis, directly shapes our policy priorities in the years ahead.

Our report also highlights how Latinos across Illinois are fueling economic growth, shaping public policy, and enriching our cultural and civic life.

We invite you to read the report, and may it serve as a powerful tool to uplift our Latino Community.

<https://illcf.afllp.in/70034a8af7.html>

If there are any questions please contact us at:

info@illcfoundation.org

Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus Foundation's 2025 Raíces Public Policy Conference

We're thrilled to invite you to the 2025 Raíces Public Policy Conference to help shape policy and create a lasting impact for the Latino community. This unique, free conference takes place on Thursday, September 18th, 2025, from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the UIC Forum, located at 1213 S. Halsted St., Chicago, IL 60607-5025. Join policymakers, community members, and stakeholders from across Illinois to engage in meaningful dialogue around equity, justice, and community development.

¡La comunidad nos necesita!

Register here: [2025 Raíces Public Policy Conference](#)



Conozca a tu IAHSSE Compañero(a)

Andres Garibay

Current State Agency & Title:

IDES, Administrative Assistant II

City Based In: Chicago

How long have you worked for the State of Illinois?

17 years

What interested you in working for the State of Illinois & the current agency you are working for?

When I first applied, I was simply looking for a stable job with good benefits. Once I was hired by IDES, I quickly realized that being a public servant is about much more than working behind a counter. State employees play a vital role in supporting the lives of the people we serve. That understanding gave me a deep sense of pride and purpose in the work I do and that's what's kept me committed.

What are your hobbies?

I'm part of a Bocce League and enjoy exploring the hidden gems that the Chicago area has to offer.

Fun fact about you?

I love spending quality time with my lifelong friends and family—some of those relationships go all the way back to grammar school. They keep me grounded and remind me of what truly matters.

Any achievements that you wish to share? Professional and/or personal?

I'm proud to serve as the Union President of AFSCME Local 1006 Council 31 and as a board member of the Hegewisch Business Association.

Anything else you wish to share with your IAHSSE colleagues?

You can usually find me on the dance floor at the conference. I look forward to building more meaningful connections with you all.



We will be featuring IAHSSE members in our monthly newsletter highlighting our diverse and talented Latino/a/e/x membership. If you wish to be highlighted or nominate another IAHSSE member, please email us at IAHSSE.Assoc@illinois.gov.


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37TH ANNUAL TRAINING CONFERENCE & JOB FAIR

SEGUIMOS PA'LANTE
AMPLIFYING OUR VOICES

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10TH, 2025
OAK BROOK HILLS RESORT & CONFERENCE CENTER
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