



## *League of United Latin American Citizens*

Dear DOD friends:

After careful consideration on the events related to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) crisis and out of an abundance of caution for everyone the 91st LULAC National Convention has been cancelled and moved to 2021. Therefore, all activities under the Federal Training Institute that would have taken place during the LULAC National convention are also cancelled. The cancelled FTI activities are as follows: ***DoD Excellence in Service Award Ceremony***, the Senior Executive and Leadership Development Training, the Speed Mentoring Round Tables, the Youth and Collegiate Symposiums and the Little League Baseball Clinics.

Since the DoD Excellence in Service Award Ceremony has been cancelled this year, we have extended the nomination dates and will be accepting nomination packages until **July 10, 2020**. The 2020 awardees will be announced on Veterans Day November 11, 2020. The 2020 awardees will be receiving their awards during the 91st LULAC National Convention at the Defenders of Freedom event Albuquerque, NM alongside the 2021 awardees.

LULAC understands that the current situation has caused many Federal agencies to suspend training and/other leadership development programs. However, we believe, more than ever, that the Federal government leadership and the rest of its workforce needs to represent the population it serves. Therefore, it is critical that we continue motivating and developing a diverse cadre of federal employees to become the next leaders. Leaders, who will understand, address and be sensitive to the needs of all the communities they serve.

In an effort to show our continued support and assist in addressing the aforementioned issues we are partnering with the National Council of Hispanic Employment Program Managers (NCHEPM) and Federal agencies to ensure we continue developing federal employees by conducting training through the 2020 Virtual Federal Training Institute Partnership (FTIP) Month of Development". This month long event is **free** of charge to **all** Federal employees. The workshops will take place August 18 through September 29, 2020. Please see the attached flyer. If you require any additional information, please contact [Fherrera@lulac.org](mailto:Fherrera@lulac.org) , [Rhernandez@lulac.org](mailto:Rhernandez@lulac.org) or Sara E. Clemente at [sclemente@lulac.org](mailto:sclemente@lulac.org) or by calling 202-734-7200.

We greatly regret any inconvenience these changes may be causing and we trust you understand we are doing so for the safety and well-being of all concerned. Our thoughts and prayers are with all the people affected by the Coronavirus.

I look forward to your participation in the upcoming DoD Excellence in Service Award nomination process, the Virtual FTIP August 18-September 29, 2020 and we ask that you save the date for the 91st LULAC National Convention and Exposition July 22 - July 25, 2021 in Albuquerque, NM.

Sincerely,

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