Program-Title YESP - Young Engineers & Scientists Program **STEM Inventory**

Entry# 92

Higher-Education-based Org-Type

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Service-Region Nationwide

Student Program Type

Subjects General Science | Math | Engineering

Level Undergraduate

Other-Objectives

Demographics Hispanic or Latino Served-per-Year

Content

Over the past 10 years, the Center for the Advancement of Hispanics in Science and Engineering Education (CAHSEE) has developed a system of programs geared at channeling, primarily Latino and other underrepresented minority, students into science and engineerin careers. These programs have proven to be successful in preparing Latino and other underrepresented youths to enter and succeed in science and engineering schools. CAHSEE is a non-profit organization registered in the District of Columbia with programs in Metropolitan Washington, New York, Chicago, Massachusetts, and California. The YESP - Young Engineers & Scientists Program places talented Hispanic college students in the research labs of government agencies. The main objective of YESP is to provide mindson/hands-on real world experience in each student's field of interest. This experience is designed to give the student exposure to scientific research and engineering and thus catapult the student onto the fast track of success in science or engineering. Presently, efforts are being made to expand this program to corporate America, as well as other science and technology rich federal and state

agencies.

CAHSEE's programs are aimed at developing students' intellectual abilities, thus providing them with a sound academic foundation to bolster their professional expectations, attitude, and motivation towards learning and commitment to excellence and educational success. This is done by placing the students in a demanding, yet nurturing, academic environment. Rigorous academic demands in a can-do atmosphere have proven to have a marked effect on the future performance of CAHSEE students in math, science and

engineering college programs.

Funded-Through Started

Length Ongoing Cost

Primary-Funding Primary-\$

Materials

Outcomes

Other-Funding

How-Assessed

CAHSEE's rate of success is very high. All STEM Institute students enter and excel in college, mostly in science and engineering. Many Best-Practice-Why

attend some of the nation's top universities; many receive scholarships. The college graduation rate for CAHSEE alumni is 100% with 70% entering graduate school upon two years of graduating from college. Many of our former interns are currently enrolled in or have

completed doctoral or master's degree programs.

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