

**National TRIO Achiever Award  
Recipients  
By Year**

*Celebrating the success of TRIO students and the TRIO programs, the [Council for Opportunity in Education](#) and members of the college access and success community are proud to honor the National TRIO Achievers. These men and women have distinguished themselves in their chosen professions and are making remarkable contributions to their community. The public recognition of TRIO alumni is an exceptional opportunity to acknowledge that TRIO makes a difference in the lives of thousands of students whose future success depends on their access to higher education. We congratulate this year's TRIO Achievers and past award winners who continue to inspire both college access and success professionals and current students.*

**2023**

*Ruben Canedo*  
Director, Strategic Equity Initiatives  
UC Berkeley  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program

*James Brett*  
President and CEO, New England Council  
Upward Bound, Boston College

*Lesia Crumpton-Young*  
Former President, Texas Southern University  
Upward Bound, Texas Southern University

*Cheryl Johnson*  
Radio Free America  
Upward Bound, Loyola University – New Orleans; Student Support Services, University of Iowa

*Fernando Cardenas*  
Director, Partnerships Development and Community Relations, Comcast Upward Bound, Fresno State

**2022**

*Sarah Smarsh*  
Journalist and Author of “Heartland”  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of Kansas

*Aaron Ford*  
Attorney General, Las Vegas, NV  
Upward Bound, Southern Methodist University

*James Monteiro*  
Executive Director, Reentry Campus Program  
Educational Opportunity Center, Community College of Rhode Island

*Dr. Kiesha King*  
Senior National Education Administrator, T-Mobile Education  
Upward Bound, Arizona University

*Marinilda Diaz*  
Professor, Social Work; Coordinator, Public Policy, Doctoral Program, University of Puerto Rico  
Student Support Services, University of Puerto Rico

**2021**

*Rabih Najjar*  
Senior Director, Strategic Projects, Hertz Corporation  
Upward Bound, Montana Tech; and Student Support Services, Montana State University

*Roberto Padilla*

Superintendent, Newburgh Enlarged City School District; Superintendent, New York City Department of Education  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, SUNY-Brockport

*Lewis Williams*

Chief Creative Officer, Burrell Communications Group; Head of Brand Impact, Weber Shandwick  
Upward Bound, Mercer University

*Nikema Williams*

U.S. House Representative for Georgia's 5th Congressional District  
Talent Search, Upward Bound, Student Support Services, and Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Talladega College

**2020**

*Antoinette Danvers*

Attending Physician, Montefiore Medical Center; Program Director, OBGYN Residency, Montefiore Health System  
Upward Bound, Bronx Community College

*Richard Perez*

President and CEO, San Antonio Chamber of Commerce  
Educational Talent Search, Project STAY, South San High School

*Leon Venegas*

Associate Scientist II, AstraZeneca; Antibody Discovery Scientist II, MarcoGenics, Inc.  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, St. Edwards's University

*Ashley Doukas*

Clinical Psychologist II, Bellevue Hospital; Clinical Director, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Talent Search, Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of New Hampshire

*Marvin Pendarvis*

South Carolina State Representative, House District 113, Charleston and Dorchester; Senior Attorney, Pendarvis Law, LLC  
Student Support Services, University of South Carolina

**2019**

*Lacy Durham*

Assistant General Counsel, Benefits and Compensation, Constellation  
Upward Bound, Grambling State University

*David Estrada*

Associate Director, Center for Advanced Energy Studies; Associate Professor, Micron School of Materials Science and Engineering, Boise State University; Deputy Director, Academic Research, Idaho National Laboratory, Advanced Manufacturing  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Boise State University

*Erica Klampfl*

Manager, Global Data Insights and Analytics, Ford Motor Company; Director, Operations Analytics, Ford Motor Company  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program Scholars, Louisiana State University

*Awale Osman*

Associate Manager, Best Buy; Associate Consultant, Cultivating Leadership, LLC  
Upward Bound, Rochester Community and Technical College; Student Support Services, North Hennepin Community College; Ronald E. McNair Post-

Baccalaureate Achievement Program,  
Augsburg University

*Carlos Mariani Rosa*  
State Representative, Minnesota House of  
Representatives; Executive Director,  
Minnesota Educational Equity Partnership,  
Inc.  
Student Support Services, Macalester  
College

*Tobie Smith*  
Senior Principal Data Scientist, Team Lead,  
SAIC  
Upward Bound Math-Science, Student  
Support Services, Morehead State  
University

## **2018**

*Karletta Chief*  
Assistant Professor and Extension  
Specialist-Hydrology, Department of Soil,  
Water, and Environmental Sciences,  
University of Arizona; Director, Indigenous  
Resilience Center  
Upward Bound, Southern Utah University

*Darcel D. Clark*  
Bronx County District Attorney; Bronx  
Attorney General  
Talent Search, Tremont Improvement  
Program Neighborhood House (TIP), and  
Student Support Services, Boston College

*Charlene Mickens Dukes*  
President, Prince George's Community  
College  
Upward Bound, Saint Francis University

*Everett L. Glenn*  
Founder and President, ESP Education and  
Leadership Institute; Of Counsel, Alvarado  
Smith, APC  
Upward Bound, Case Western Reserve  
University

*Stephanie Peterson*  
Director, Risk and Compliance, Global  
Business Operations, Microsoft Corporation;  
Senior Director, Product Delivery and Data  
Operations, Meta  
Upward Bound, University of Nevada-Reno

*Patricia Roe*  
Vice President of Philanthropy, Strada  
Education Network  
Student Support Services, Indiana  
University

*Christopher J. Rosa*  
Interim Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs,  
CUNY Division of Student Affairs;  
President and CEO, The Viscardi Center  
Student Support Services, Queens College

*Aaron Rahsaan Thomas*  
Creator and Executive Producer,  
“S.W.A.T.,” CBS; Creator of Content and  
Executive Producer, Viacom  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, University of  
Kansas

## **2017**

*Hector Balderas*  
Attorney General, New Mexico; President,  
Northern New Mexico College  
Upward Bound and Student Support  
Services, New Mexico Highlands  
University

*Timothy Granfield*  
Director and Associate Vice President,  
Strategy, Planning & Operations, Corporate  
Finance, Liberty Mutual Insurance; Liberty  
Mutual Insurance, Director of Financial  
Analysis  
Dover, NH  
Upward Bound, University of New  
Hampshire

*Tamara P. Nash*  
Special Assistant United States Attorney,  
State of South Dakota; Director of  
Experiential Learning and Lecturer,  
University of South Dakota  
Talent Search and Student Support Services,  
Wayne State College

*David Pérez Jiménez*  
Assistant Research Scientist and Associate  
Director, Institute for Psychological  
Research, University of Puerto Rico  
Student Support Services, University of  
Puerto Rico-Río Piedras

*Simon K. Shannon*  
Lean Six Sigma Black Belt, 3M; Director,  
Business Development, Transportation,  
Electronics Business Group  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, University of  
Minnesota-Twin Cities

## 2016

*José Cruz*  
Executive Director, Barrio Logan College  
Institute; Deputy Director, Catalyst Family,  
Inc.  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, San Diego State  
University

*Marco Davila*  
Associate Member, Department of Blood  
and Marrow Transplantation, H. Lee Moffitt  
Cancer Center and Research Institute,  
Associate Professor, Department of  
Oncologic Sciences, Morsani College of  
Medicine, University of South Florida;  
Senior Vice President, Translation Research;  
Vice Chair, Cellular Therapies, Department  
of Medicine; Physician, Transplantation and  
Cellular Therapies Service

Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, Texas Christian  
University

*Jacquelyn Elliott*  
President, Central Arizona College  
Upward Bound, Emporia State University

*Harry Lee Williams*  
President, Delaware State University;  
President and CEO, Thurgood Marshall  
College Fund  
Student Support Services, Appalachian State  
University

*Victor Woolridge*  
Vice President, Cornerstone Real Estate and  
Chairman, University of Massachusetts  
Board of Trustees; Independent Director,  
Fallon Health; Board Member, Owl Rock  
Capital Corporation  
Upward Bound, University of  
Massachusetts-Amherst

## 2015

*Brian Black*  
Senior Manager, Level M, Global Diversity  
and Corporate Administration, Spirit  
AeroSystems, Inc., Wichita, KS; Thermo-  
Fisher Scientific, Director, Diversity and  
Inclusion, Customer Channels and  
BioProduction Groups  
Talent Search, Greenville Urban League,  
Greenville Technical College

*Molly Clough*  
Law Partner, Carrothers & Clough PLLC,  
Ogdensburg, NY  
Student Support Services, State University  
of New York-Potsdam

*Aaron Payment*  
Tribal Chairperson, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe  
of Chippewa Indians, Sault Ste. Marie, MI  
Upward Bound, Lake Superior State  
University

*Rene Rosado*  
Actor, Los Angeles, CA  
Upward Bound, Wesleyan University and  
Student Support Services, University of  
Connecticut

*Sarah Silvaferro*  
Executive Director, NM Communities in  
Action and Faith, Las Cruces, NM  
Upward Bound, New Mexico State  
University and Upward Bound Math-  
Science, Trinidad State Junior College

## 2014

*Stephanie Joy Calhoun*  
Assistant Attorney General, NY Office of  
the Attorney General, Buffalo, NY  
Student Support Services, Medaille College

*Carol Cheatham*  
Associate Professor, Psychology and  
Neuroscience, University of North Carolina-  
Chapel Hill, Nutrition Research Institute,  
Kannapolis, N C  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, University of  
Wyoming

*Carlos Colon Ramos*  
Chancellor and Associate Professor,  
Education, Inter-American University of  
Puerto Rico-Barranquitas  
Upward Bound, Inter-American University  
of Puerto Rico-Barranquitas

*Reynard Eaglin, Jr.*  
Executive Director, YMCA of Metropolitan  
Washington, DC, and YMCA of Potomac  
Overlook, Washington, DC  
Talent Search, Upward Bound, and Student  
Support Services, University of Louisiana at  
Lafayette

*Dana Hilliard*

Mayor, Hilltop City, NH  
Upward Bound, University of New  
Hampshire and Student Support Services,  
Keene State University

*LaKiesha Tomlin*  
Project Mechanical Engineer, Northrop  
Grumman Corporation; Senior Manager,  
Software Engineering, Northrop Grumman  
Student Support Services, Saint Louis  
University

*Michael Muse*  
CEO, Muse Recordings, New York, NY  
Upward Bound, Michigan State University

## 2013

*Mildred Edwards*  
Executive Director, Kansas African  
American Affairs Commission, Office of the  
Governor, Topeka, KS; Chief of Staff to  
Mayor, CEO Tyrone Garner, Unified  
Government of Wyandotte County and  
Kansas City  
Student Support Services, Wichita State  
University

*Cornelius D. Griggs*  
Senior Project Manager & Lead Estimator,  
Walsh Group, Chicago, IL; President, GMA  
Construction Group  
Talent Search, Introspect Youth Services,  
Inc.; Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, Chicago State  
University

*William Sanchez*  
CEO and Co-Founder, CoolChip  
Technologies, Boston, MA; COO,  
TalkingHeads Wireless  
Upward Bound, Bronx Community College

*Trinity Thorpe-Lubneuski*  
Manager, Government Affairs, Reporting  
and Analysis, Comcast Corporation,

Philadelphia, PA; Executive Director,  
Partnership Development and Community  
Activation, Comcast Corporation  
Upward Bound, University of Wyoming

*Lois Vosika-Weir*

Assistant Principal, American Indian  
Magnet School, St. Paul, MN; Assistant  
Principal, AGAPE High School  
Upward Bound, University of Minnesota-  
Twin Cities

*Juan Zalapa*

Research Geneticist, Assistant Professor,  
Horticulture, University of Wisconsin-  
Madison, Madison, WI  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, Texas Tech  
University

**2012**

*Rodelyn Alcidonis*

Principal Attorney, Alcidonis Law Office  
LLC, Philadelphia, PA; SR. IOT Legal  
Consultant, DJSR Technology  
Student Support Services, Plattsburgh State  
University of New York

*Raquel Aldana*

Professor, Law and Director of the Inter-  
American Program, McGeorge School of  
Law  
Sacramento, CA; Professor of Law,  
University of California Davis, School of  
Law  
Upward Bound, Arizona State University

*Alvin Brown*

Former Mayor of Jacksonville, Florida;  
Member, National Transportation Safety  
Board, (Nominated by President Joe Biden  
in August 2022)  
Student Support Services, Jacksonville  
University

*Nannette Brown*

Judge, United States District Court for the  
Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans,  
LA  
Upward Bound, University of Southwest  
Louisiana

*Jungmiwha Bullock*

Founder and CEO, J. S. Bullock &  
Associates—The Brokerage for Dreams and  
Co-Managing Partner, The JKBN Group,  
LLC  
Washington, DC  
Upward Bound, University of Maryland-  
Baltimore County

*Stephen D. Perry*

Principal and Founder, Capitol Preparatory  
Magnet School; Commentator, CNN; Writer  
and Columnist, Essence Magazine; Author;  
Education Contributor, CNN  
Upward Bound, Wesleyan University

**2011**

*Joyce Bell*

Associate Professor and the Don E.  
Martindale Chair of Sociology, University  
of Minnesota, Pittsburgh, PA  
Upward Bound and Ronald E. McNair Post-  
Baccalaureate Achievement Program,  
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

*Quintin Bullock*

President, the Community College of  
Allegheny County, Allegheny, PA  
Upward Bound, Prairie View A&M  
University

*Robert Jackson*

Former Councilman, New York City  
Council, New York, NY  
Upward Bound, Union Settlement  
Association

*John MacLean, III*

East Coast Communications Liaison for  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security;  
U.S. Appointed Civil Emergency  
Communications Expert to North NATO;  
Lieutenant Commander Information  
Professional / Information Warfare Officer  
(IWO)  
Knoxville, TN  
Veterans Upward Bound, University of  
Pennsylvania, and Student Support Services,  
Peirce College

*Carolyn Mosley*  
Retired Dean, College of Health Sciences,  
University of Arkansas-Fort Smith, Fort  
Smith, AR  
Upward Bound, Dillard University

*Pedro Santiago*  
Vice President, ENPULSE Energy  
Conservation Inc.; Detroit, MI  
Upward Bound and Student Support  
Services, University of Connecticut

## **2010**

*James Bennett*  
Area Executive, First Citizens Bank; Board  
Member, Columbia Urban League Inc.,  
Columbia, SC  
Student Support Services, University of  
South Carolina

*D. Antonio Bridges, II*  
Member of House of Delegates, State of  
Maryland, Baltimore, MD  
Student Support Services & Ronald E.  
McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement  
Program, Frostburg State University

*Krystal Brumfield*  
Associate Administrator, Office of  
Government-wide Policy, General Services  
Administration, Washington, DC  
Talent Search, Southern University; Upward  
Bound, Southeastern Louisiana University;

and Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, Louisiana State  
University

*James Doughty-Muñoz*  
News Director, KWES-TV Morgan Murphy  
Media, Victoria, TX  
Upward Bound, Texas Tech University

*Mariano Mesngon*  
Director, Healthcare Business at U.S. Naval  
Hospital Guam, Hagåtña, Guam  
Upward Bound, University of Guam, and  
Upward Bound Math-Science, San Diego  
State University

*Jacqueline Reynoso*  
Director, Programs and Policy, Cordoba  
Corporation, San Diego, CA  
Upward Bound Math-Science, San Diego  
State University

## **2009**

*Cynthia Azari*  
Retired, Fresno, CA  
Upward Bound, Huston Tillotson College

*David Baxley*  
Assistant News Director, Birmingham, AL  
Talent Search and Upward Bound, Central  
Alabama Community College

*Anthony Chapa*  
Executive Director, Hispanic American  
Police Command Officers Association,  
Senior VP of NASTEC Internation, Inc.,  
San Antonio, TX  
Upward Bound, St. Mary's University

*Tyrone Flowers*  
Founder and President, Higher M-Pact, Inc.,  
Kansas City, MO  
Educational Opportunity Center,  
Metropolitan Community College-Penn  
Valley

*Anastasia Pittman*

State Senator, Oklahoma State Capitol,  
Oklahoma City, OK  
Student Support Services, University of  
Oklahoma

*Cy Thao*

Artist; Owner, Sunlight Services, LLC, St.  
Paul, MN  
Upward Bound, University of Minnesota

## **2008**

*Sharnnia Artis*

Vice President for Diversity, Equity, and  
Inclusion; Chief Diversity Officer, George  
Mason University, Fairfax, VA  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, Virginia Tech

*Jacklyn Chisholm*

President and CEO, Step Forward; President  
and Founder, IT'S WORTH IT  
CONSULTING, LLC, Cleveland, OH  
Student Support Services, Case Western  
Reserve University

*Kenneth Green*

State of Connecticut Representative; Social  
Worker, Capitol Region Education Council,  
John J. Allison Polaris Education Center,  
Glastonbury, CT  
Upward Bound, University of Connecticut

*Joseph Little*

Team Leader and Readjustment Counselor,  
Department of Veterans Affairs, Phoenix,  
AZ  
Veterans Upward Bound, Arizona State  
University

*Nicolas Rosario Alvarez*

Assistant Professor, Universidad de Puerto  
Rico, Recinto de Humacao, San Juan, PR  
Talent Search, Universidad del Turabo

*Maria Vasquez*

Director, Strategic Partnerships and  
Initiatives, Center for Equity in Learning  
ACT, Atlanta, GA  
Upward Bound, Texas Tech University

*David Yarlott*

President, Little Big Horn College, Crow  
Agency, MT  
Student Support Services, Montana State  
University-Bozeman

## **2007**

*Aberdeen Allen, Jr.*

Technical Associate Colgate-Palmolive,  
Owner of Urban Edge, LLC, Parlin, NJ  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, University of  
Massachusetts–Boston

*Jennifer Michele Alvarez*

Assistant Public Defender, 8th Judicial  
Circuit, West Virginia, Princeton, WV  
Student Support Services, West Virginia  
University Institute of Technology

*J. Keith Motley*

Key Leadership Roles, University of  
Massachusetts–Boston, Boston, MA  
Upward Bound, University of Pittsburgh

*Tara Ruttley*

Chief Scientist, Orbital Reef at Blue Origin,  
Washington, DC  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, Colorado State  
University

*Maude Toussaint-Comeau*

Economist, Microeconomics Team,  
Research Department, Federal Reserve Bank  
of Chicago, Chicago, IL



Student Support Services, University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign

*Carlos Valverde, Jr.*

Co-Executive Director, Colorado Progressive Coalition, Agent for Working Families Party, Denver, CO  
Upward Bound, Metropolitan State College of Denver

*Raphael Warnock*

U.S. Senator, Georgia; Senior Pastor, Historic Ebenezer Baptist Church, Atlanta, GA  
Upward Bound, Savannah State University

## 2006

*Leah Carpenter*

Associate Professor, 3M Chair of Accounting, Bemidji State University, Bemidji, MN  
Upward Bound, Bemidji State University

*Bridget McCurtis*

Founder and CEO of Beyond Measure Coaching and Consulting, LLC  
Student Support Services, Marquette University

*Rich Niemiec*

Chief Innovation Officer, Viscosity North America, Lombard, IL  
Upward Bound, Purdue University

*Stephen Pemberton*

Author of “The Lighthouse Effect,” Chicago, IL  
Upward Bound, University of Massachusetts-Dartmouth

*Carlos Sanchez*

Professor, Department of Philosophy; Advisor for the Graduate Program in Philosophy; Chair, Committee on Hispanics/Latinx for the American

Philosophical Association, San Jose State University, San Jose, CA  
Talent Search and Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, San Jose State University

*Sherry Williams*

Chief Legal Officer, Chief Compliance Officer; Senior Vice President, Human Resources, Houston, TX  
Student Support Services, University of Oklahoma

## 2005

*The Late Ned Doffoney*

Fresno, CA  
Student Support Services, University of Southwestern Louisiana

*Jesse Fenner*

Associate Counsel, MCI WorldCom Network Services, Washington, DC  
Upward Bound, University of Chicago

*Jesse Fleming*

Captain, U.S. Army, Quality Control Release Lead at Uponor, Rosemount, MN  
Upward Bound, Minnesota State University-Mankato

*Yava Jones*

Associate Professor and Director, Core Histology Laboratory at Texas A&M University CVM, College Station, TX  
Upward Bound, Talladega College

*Elizabeth Lewin-Fisher*

Social Worker, Wasatch Mental Health, Provo, UT  
Student Support Services, Utah Valley State College

*Jose Guadalupe Valtierra*

Extension Educator Purdue Extension Community Development, Consultant

Independent Practitioner, Member of the  
Board of Trustees at Calumet College of St.  
Joseph, Chicago, IL  
Upward Bound, Purdue-University-Calumet

## 2004

*Sonja Bivins*  
U.S. District Court Magistrate Judge,  
Mobile, Alabama  
Upward Bound, Spring Hill College

*Kimarie Engerman*  
Associate Professor, Psychology; Interim  
Dean, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences  
at the University of the Virgin Islands,  
Washington, DC  
Student Support Services, Bowie State  
University, and Ronald E. McNair Post-  
Baccalaureate Achievement Program,  
Howard University

*Fred Gainous*  
Regent Professor, Florida A&M School of  
Agriculture, Tallahassee, FL  
Upward Bound, Florida A&M University

*Cecilia A. Gutierrez*  
Deputy Director, MBKA Network and  
Partnerships, Obama Foundation  
Upward Bound, North Shore Community  
College

*Gregory Powell*  
President and CEO of Fi-Plan Partners,  
Birmingham, AL  
Talent Search, Bolton High School,  
Arlington, TN

*Leander Russell McDonald*  
President, United Tribes Technical College,  
Bismarck, ND  
Upward Bound, University of North  
Dakota

## 2003

*Deborah Berry*  
Independent Consultant (Public  
Media/Political Relations), Waterloo, IA  
Educational Opportunity Center, University  
of Northern Iowa

*Francisco Estrada*  
Senior Policy Analyst, Mexican American  
Legal Defense and Educational Fund,  
Sacramento, CA  
Upward Bound, San Diego State  
University

*Joyce Evans*  
News Anchor and Reporter, Fox  
Philadelphia, WTXF-TV, Philadelphia, PA  
Upward Bound, Howard University

*Rob Masri*  
President of Family Business Fund,  
Charlottesville, VA  
Talent Search and Upward Bound, Virginia  
Tech University

*Charles Terrell*  
Vice President, Community and Minority  
Programs, Association of American Medical  
Colleges, Washington, DC  
Upward Bound, Brandeis University

*Richard B. Williams*  
Director, American Indian Graduate Center  
Scholars, Albuquerque, NM  
Student Support Services, University of  
Nebraska

## 2002

*Patricia L. Andrade*  
General Surgeon, Morton Surgical and Saint  
Anne's Hospital, Dartmouth, MA

Upward Bound, University of  
Massachusetts-Dartmouth

*Ranessa L. Cooper*

Professor and Chair of Biological Sciences,  
Western Illinois University  
Macomb, IL  
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate  
Achievement Program, Truman State  
University

*The Late Curtis L. Etherly, Jr.*

Vice President for Public Affairs, Mid-  
Atlantic & Eastern Great Lakes Divisions,  
Coca-Cola Enterprises Bottling Companies;  
Director, Federal Affairs & International  
Stakeholder Relations, The Coca-Cola  
Company, Columbia, MD  
Educational Opportunity Center, The  
College Board, Washington, DC

*Juan C. Gonzalez*

Professor of Practice, Department of  
Educational Leadership and Policy,  
University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX  
Upward Bound and Student Support  
Services, West Texas State University and  
Texas Tech University

*Mary Groda-Lewis*

Family Medicine, Hilo Medical Center;  
Inspiration for the CBS movie "Love,  
Mary."

Honolulu, HI

Upward Bound, University of Oregon

*Mark E. Klinkenberg*

Transaction Analyst CBRE, Attorney  
Principal Member, Klinkenberg Law Firm,  
Kansas City, MO, Raymore, MO  
Veterans Upward Bound, University of  
Tennessee – Knoxville

**2001**

*Michael J. Bellamy*

Retired

Upward Bound, Tuskegee University

*Viola Davis*

Actress, Van Nuys, CA  
Upward Bound and Student Support  
Services, Rhode Island College

*Julio A. Guridy*

City Council and Director, Allentown, the  
Chair of City's Budget and Finance  
Committee, Bethlehem, PA  
Upward Bound, East Stroudsburg  
University

*Jose M. Hernandez*

President and CEO at Tierra Luna  
Engineering, LLC  
Student Support Services, University of the  
Pacific, Stockton, CA

*Yvonne McDermott*

Pilot and First Officer, Northwest Airlink  
Oakland, CA  
Upward Bound, Holy Names College,  
Oakland, CA

*David Warner*

Chiropractor, Warner Family Chiropractic,  
PC, Dixon, IL  
Student Support Services, Sauk Valley  
Community College, Dixon, IL

**2000**

*The Late Albert W. Adams, Jr.*

Vice President, Human Resources, Lincoln  
Industrial Inc., St. Louis, MO  
Upward Bound, Webster College

*Bee Lo*

Doctor, Naturopathic Medicine, LaCrosse,  
WI

Upward Bound and Student Support  
Services, University of Wisconsin-  
LaCrosse

*Ed H. Ollie, Jr.*

Campus Pastor/Teaching Team Member at  
Willow Creek Community Church, Chicago,  
IL  
Upward Bound, Central College

*Keith W. Reeves*

Associate Professor, Political Science at  
Swarthmore College; Member, American  
Political Science Association; Member,  
Midwest Political Science Association;  
Member, National Eagle Scout Association;  
Associate Member, National Association of  
Criminal Defense Lawyers, Swarthmore,  
PA  
Upward Bound, Swarthmore College

*Lupe Rodriguez*

Sales Operations Manager, IBM  
Corporation, New York  
TRIO, Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

*The Late Joseph Rogers*

Lieutenant Governor, Colorado, Denver,  
CO  
Upward Bound, Colorado State University

## 1999

*Guadalupe Cervantes-Ortega*

Elementary School Teacher, St. Paul, MN  
Student Support Services, Macalester  
College, St. Paul, MN

*Jose Cervantes*

Director, Minneapolis City Hall/Hennepin  
County Court House, Minneapolis, MN  
Students Support Services, Macalester  
College

*Juan A. Cervantes*

Multicultural Sales Manager, The St. Paul  
Companies, St. Paul, MN  
Student Support Services, Macalester  
College

*The Late Manuel Cervantes*

Referee of District Court, Administrative  
Law Judge, St. Paul, MN  
Upward Bound, Macalester College

*Raquel Cervantes-Bethke*

Elementary School Social Worker, LEAP  
High School Social Worker, St. Paul, MN  
Upward Bound, Macalester College

*Ricardo X. Cervantes*

Assistant Supervisor for Housing  
Inspections, Minneapolis, MN  
Upward Bound, Macalester College

*Ramona C. Garcia*

Educator, Edinburg School District,  
Edinburg, TX  
Upward Bound, Macalester College

*Terry L. Miller*

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