

Para Los Niños Continues Youth Support

Santa Monica, **CA (June**, **2011)**—Recognizing the ongoing need for general operating support at Para Los Niños, the William H. Hannon

Foundation has made a \$10,000 grant to the organization. Founded in 1980 as a single child development center on LA's Skid Row, Para Los Niños has grown to provide comprehensive educational and family services to 7,000 underserved children, youth and families each year at 21 locations in Los Angeles County and Ontario.

"After 30 years of providing quality educational programming to children in poverty, we have concluded that for students to succeed, we must provide children and families comprehensive, integrated and co-located social support embedded in school environments," said Gisselle Acevedo, President & CEO of Para Los Niños.

Para Los Niños' education programs include early childhood education, charter schools (K-6), after-school services, youth workforce services, and an academic and life skills training program for transitioning foster youth.

"I am proud of our longstanding support of Para Los Niños. They are truly helping children and families who face poverty make sure they have the tools needed to succeed in school and life," said Kathleen Hannon Aikenhead, President of the William H. Hannon Foundation.