



El Sol Shines

"working together for a better community"



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Celebrating Our Graduates

A labor hall full of people fell mostly silent as Rufino Mateo Jesus took the stage. The audience witnessed Rufino identify letters and sound out words. "It is never too late to learn," he said.

Rufino raised his arms in victory and the audience cheered.

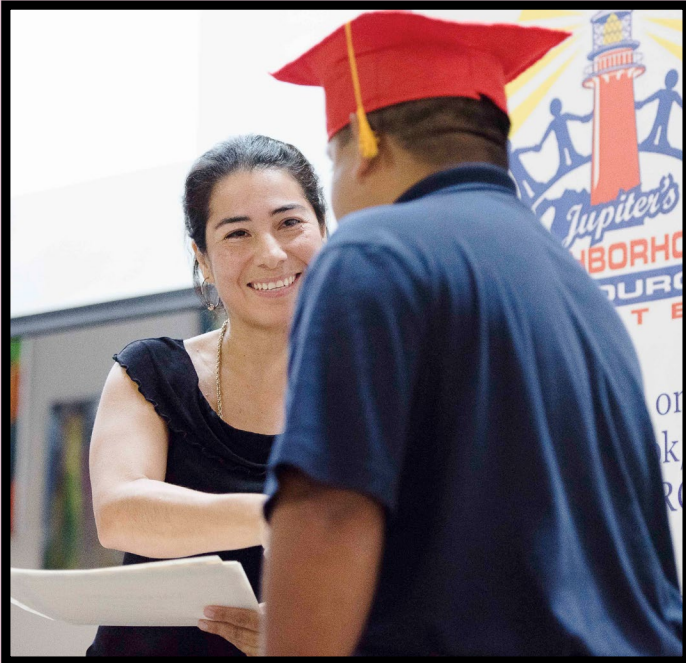
We celebrated more than 100 men and women at our fall education recognition ceremony earlier this month. Students in English, computer, Spanish literacy, vocational training and sewing classes received certificates and walked across the labor hall stage. Top students earned prizes such as refurbished desktop computers and gift certificates.

José Antonio Zabalgoitia, consul general of Mexico in Miami, presented a check to Dora Valdivia, our associate director, for funds to support our Spanish literacy program.

"This is one of the most exciting moments for a consul, to see firsthand how the work he has done has impacted the life of a community," Zabalgoitia said.

Evelyn Torres Hopkins, corporate counsel for Florida Crystals Corporation, served as the ceremony's keynote speaker.

"I want you to know how important your accomplishments are," Evelyn said. "Your determination and sacrifice of time and sleep and money will pay off. Education is addictive. Once you get a taste of it, you will crave it forever."



Important Dates

November and December

11/24 Thanksgiving Dinner

12/10 Christmas for Children

12/25 Christmas Dinner

12/25 El Sol Fest

12/26-12/30 Holiday Hours

Labor Hall Open 7 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Jupiter Farmers Market @ El Sol (Sundays)

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