

OPB Premieres Mini-Documentary on Colegio César Chávez

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Woodburn, Oregon Dec 11, 2024 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - **PODER Leads the Charge: OPB Premieres Mini-Documentary on Colegio César Chávez**

PODER, Oregon's Latino Leadership Network, proudly announces the premiere of "*The Living Legacy of Colegio César Chávez*" on **Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB)** starting **Thursday, December 12, 2024**. This highly anticipated documentary explores the groundbreaking history and enduring influence of the first accredited independent Chicano college in the United States. PODER is at the forefront of efforts to share this pivotal story across Oregon and the nation, paving the way for a reimagined Colegio César Chávez 2.0.

About the Documentary

The Living Legacy of Colegio César Chávez is an inspiring film produced by OPB's Oregon Experience. The documentary honors the pioneering institution that centered Chicano/Latino voices in higher education, social justice, and community empowerment. It captures the vision and determination of the Colegio's founders and the profound impact it continues to have on communities today. The film will be accessible online starting December 12, with bilingual captions available in English and Spanish to ensure inclusivity.

PODER's Leadership in Preserving Legacy

As the leading sponsor and visionary behind this project, PODER is committed to amplifying the legacy of Colegio César Chávez. By funding and promoting this documentary, PODER seeks not only to tell Colegio's story but also to ignite a movement toward revitalizing its mission through **Colegio César Chávez 2.0**, a bold initiative aimed at re-opening the Colegio and empowering the next generation of leaders.

“This documentary is more than a look back at history—it’s a call to action for what lies ahead,” said Anthony Veliz, Board Chair of PODER. “Through our collaboration with OPB and our commitment to community-driven storytelling, we are ensuring that Colegio’s legacy inspires new pathways for education and equity.”

Save the Date: Community Premiere Event

The celebration continues with a community screening and panel discussion:

Date: Wednesday, January 22, 2025

Time: 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM (Doors open at 6:00 PM; Program begins at 6:30 PM)

Location: Oregon Historical Society, 1200 SW Park Ave., Portland, OR

The event will feature:

- **Documentary Screening:** A public showing of *The Living Legacy of Colegio César Chávez*.
- **Panel Discussion:** Engage with documentary producer **Alicia Avila**, Colegio co-founders **Sonny Montes** and **José Romero**, and exhibit curator **Natalia Fernández** as they discuss the Colegio’s story and its relevance today.
- **Live Mariachi Performance:** Enjoy music from the Forest Grove High School student mariachi group as part of the celebration.
- **Exhibit Access:** Explore the *Colegio César Chávez: The Legacy Lives On / El legado sigue vivo* exhibit at the Oregon Historical Society.

About PODER

PODER is Oregon’s Latino Leadership Network, dedicated to empowering Latino communities through leadership development, education, and advocacy. Leading the charge on initiatives like this documentary, PODER is a driving force in ensuring that stories like Colegio César Chávez’s remain vibrant and impactful.

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