



In Camden City, a mere one in 20 residents hold a bachelor's degree and only half graduate high school.

Creating Access to Higher Education

For Latino and African-American students in urban schools, there is an urgent need for greater access to college.

For this reason, the Community Leadership Center (CLC) at Rutgers–Camden created the Alfredo Santiago Scholarship in order to help LEAP Academy students attend college and graduate with the experience needed to pursue successful careers.

The scholarship consists of two separate funds:

- The Rutgers University Alfredo Santiago Endowed Scholarship for LEAP alumni at Rutgers.
- The Alfredo Santiago LEAP Academy Foundation Scholarship for LEAP alumni at all other colleges.

Above: Rutgers professor Gloria Bonilla-Santiago created the Alfredo Santiago Scholarship in 1999 in order to increase college financial aid for LEAP Academy students like Brian Medina.

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Alfredo Santiago An advocate for equality

Throughout his life, Alfredo Santiago was an impassioned, caring educator who was devoted to creating equal access to education for Latino and African-American youth.

Alfredo's long career in education was highlighted by his work at Rutgers and at other universities, where he was able to increase campus diversity and create significant financial aid opportunities for minority college students.

Through the Alfredo Santiago Endowed Scholarship, Alfredo's dream of a day when all students have the same educational opportunities—regardless of color, class or gender—not only endures but moves closer to becoming a reality.

Please advance Alfredo's dream at support.rutgers.edu



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On the Cover
Julio Atenco and Mariah Castillo are graduates of LEAP Academy who have gone on to attend Rutgers University. Julio graduated from Rutgers–Camden in 2011 and Mariah will graduate in 2014.

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Rutgers University Alfredo Santiago Endowed Scholarship

College access at LEAP Academy means 100 percent high school graduation and college admission, but also 100 percent affordability. CLC created the Rutgers University Alfredo Santiago Endowed Scholarship to support alumni attending Rutgers.

Each year the scholarship is awarded to outstanding LEAP alumni that are enrolled full-time at one of Rutgers University's three campuses. Its goal is to increase diversity across Rutgers and to encourage LEAP students to pursue academic majors in business, science, engineering and pre-medicine.

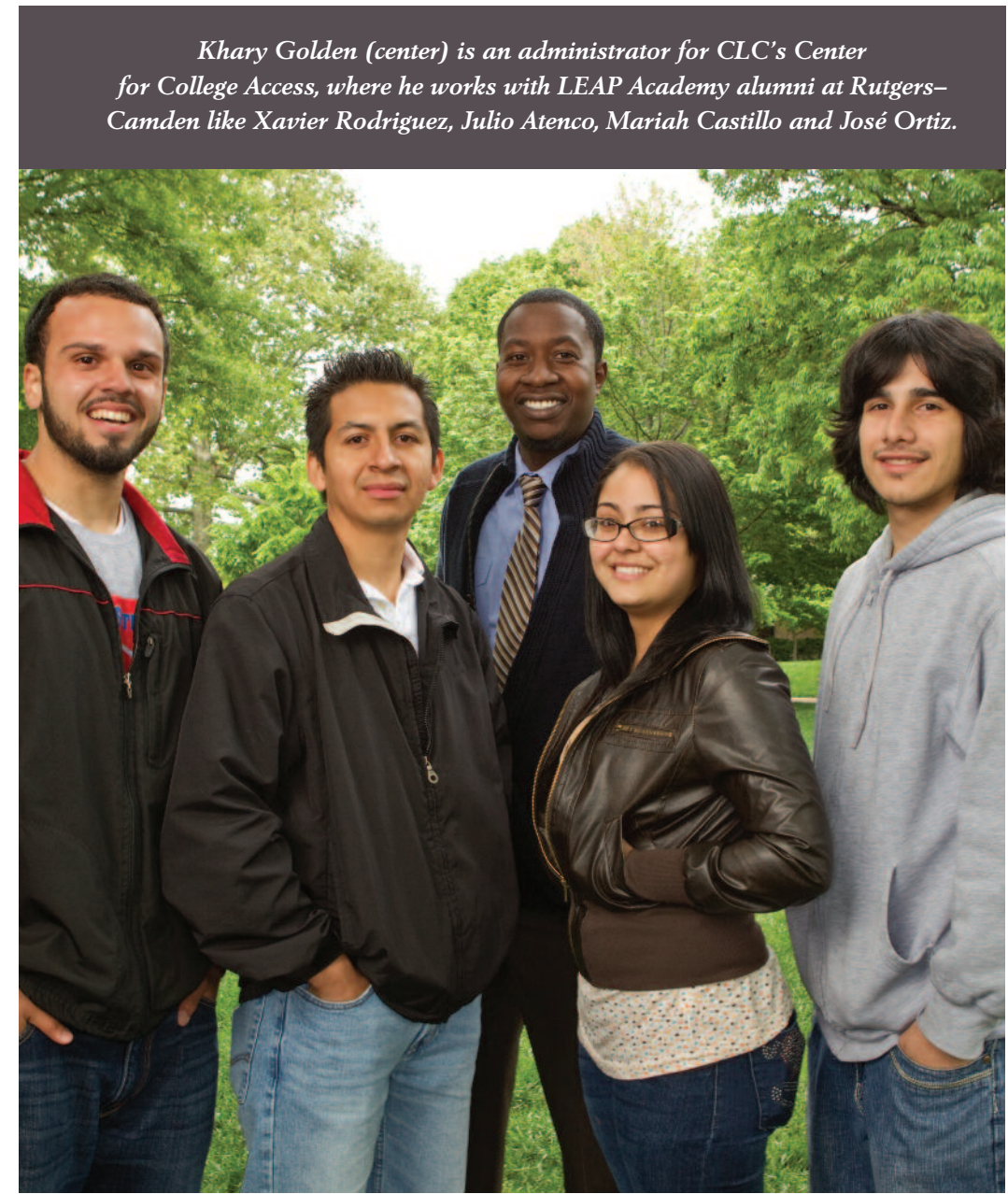
Since 1999, the scholarship endowment has surpassed \$1,000,000 and has helped dozens of LEAP Academy alumni to afford college and to fulfill their dreams of a college education.

Alfredo Santiago LEAP Academy Foundation Scholarship

While all LEAP Academy students apply to Rutgers University, many go on to other four-year colleges and universities. In order to support these LEAP alumni outside the Rutgers system, CLC created the Alfredo Santiago LEAP Academy Foundation Scholarship.

Established with a \$200,000 donation from TD Bank in 2002, this scholarship supports a number of exceptional LEAP Academy alumni attending four-year universities in New Jersey and across the country.

Since 2005, the LEAP Academy Foundation Scholarship has given alumni the opportunity to study at colleges such as Brown University, Howard University, Temple University, Villanova University and many more.



Khary Golden (center) is an administrator for CLC's Center for College Access, where he works with LEAP Academy alumni at Rutgers-Camden like Xavier Rodriguez, Julio Atenco, Mariah Castillo and José Ortiz.



Support alumni like **Julio Atenco & Michael Espinosa**

Julio Atenco was a part of LEAP Academy's first graduating class in 2005 and earned his bachelor's degree at Rutgers-Camden in 2011. Michael Espinosa graduated LEAP in 2010 and is now studying nursing at Rutgers-Camden.



Support alumni like **Mariah Castillo**

Mariah Castillo is a student at Rutgers University-Camden. She graduated LEAP Academy in 2010. With the support of the Alfredo Santiago Scholarship, she is studying in the Rutgers School of Nursing and plans to pursue a career as an emergency room nurse.



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