

PRESIDENT'S ADVISORY COUNCIL ON FINANCIAL LITERACY



IGNACIO SALAZAR

PRESIDENT
SER NATIONAL -JOBS FOR PROGRESS, INC.

Ignacio Salazar serves as President of SER National -Jobs for Progress, Inc. - a network currently comprised of 43 local SER affiliates in 18 States, Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia with a budget of approximately \$300 million. Mr. Salazar previously served as President of the SER Metro Detroit Corporation. He is also the CEO of Inteligente Solutions, a staffing firm based in Detroit with regional operations.

Mr. Salazar was originally selected to lead SER METRO-DETROIT in 1975. In 1980 he left the local organization to serve as Vice- President of National SER, Jobs for Progress, Inc., and returned to the Midwest in 1984 to serve as President of the local Detroit organization. In addition to serving as President of National SER, Mr. Salazar serves as Vice-President of the Samaritan Center, an organization created in 2001 jointly with Boysville of Michigan to convert a former hospital into a community resource center. Mr. Salazar also serves as Chairman and President of SERCO, Inc., a multi-million, multi-state corporation headquartered in Detroit, MI.

Prior to his involvement with the SER Corporation at the local and national levels, Mr. Salazar served as Assistant Director of Admissions and Scholarship at the University of Michigan Graduate School of Social Work from 1972 - 1975.

Mr. Salazar serves on a number of boards and commissions and participates in numerous civic activities. He is a member of the Michigan Workforce Development Board, Catholic Presidents Legatus Organization, Fundacion Solidaridad Mexicano Americana, Michigan Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, Detroit Police Board Foundation, Downtown Detroit, Rehabilitation Institute of Detroit, UltiMed HMO, New Detroit, Inc, and the Executive Committee of the NAACP, Detroit Chapter. Mr. Salazar was the General Co-Chair of the 2004 NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner, the largest sit-down dinner in the United States. He has consulted on various policy issues relating to workforce investment and education for the City of Detroit, Detroit Public Schools, and the U.S. government. Mr. Salazar has also served on the Board of Directors of the United Way for Southeastern Michigan, is a founding member of the University of Michigan Hispanic Alumni Association, and participated as an Eureka Fellow.

Mr. Salazar has been recognized for his many contributions to the Hispanic community in the State and for his work in workforce investment. He was presented with the Governor's Special Tribute Award and recognized by the Michigan Commission on Spanish Speaking Affairs, the Hispanic Economic Club of Michigan as Professional of the Year, Hispanic Business Alliance as Professional of the Year and the Minority Women's Network as Man of the Year. Special recognitions for Outstanding Service has also been provided Mr. Salazar by the YMCA, Latin Americans for Social and Economic Development, Ameritech Michigan, the Little Rock Baptist Church, JAYCEES, the Archdiocese of Detroit, and National SER Jobs for Progress. Mr. Salazar is also a recipient of New Detroit Inc.'s "Closing the Gap" award.

Mr. Salazar attended the Executive Leadership Seminar "Best Practices in Corporate Governance" at Harvard University, and is a graduate of the University of Michigan Graduate School of Social Work at Ann Arbor where he received a degree in Public Welfare Administration and Policy, and is ABD from the University Of Michigan Center for the Study of Higher Education.

Mr. Salazar resides in metro- Detroit with his wife Jacklyn and their sons Luke and Christian. His two older sons Robert and Ricardo reside in the metro-Detroit area as well. They are members of St. Colette Catholic Church and St. Edith Catholic Church of Livonia.