

The Illinois Tejano Organization is dedicated to its culture and families. Through fundraising and sponsorship, the ITO grants scholarships to deserving students as they strive towards a successful future.

Help us help build their future.

# Best of Illinois Tejano Organization

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ITO  
P.O. Box 5824  
Aurora, IL 60507  
[www.IllinoisTejano.org](http://www.IllinoisTejano.org)

# ILLINOIS TEJANO ORGANIZATION



## OUR VISION

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The Illinois Tejano Organization is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization with the following goals:

1. Preserve and promote pride in Tejano music and Hispanic culture;
2. Support the education of Hispanic students and their schools;
3. Demonstrate Hispanic community involvement and organizational leadership

## WHO WE ARE

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The ITO was formed in 1998 (by the following individuals) dedicated to the Vision and committed to the Latin community.

- Jose & Maria Pasillas
- Israel Castillo, Jr.
- Apolinar "J.R." Gonzalez
- Elida Ortiz

Our not-for-profit organization holds fundraising events throughout the year; volunteers work tirelessly toward the simple goal of raising as much funding as possible for the Scholarship Awards.

## 2023 EVENTS

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- February 11<sup>th</sup> – Valentine’s Day Dance/Fundraiser
- April 15<sup>th</sup> – Easter/Spring Event/Fundraiser
- May 13<sup>th</sup> – Mother’s Day Dance/Fundraiser
- June 24<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> Annual TejanoFest  
Variety of music, dance, food and fun for the whole family.  
Our biggest fundraiser!
- July 29<sup>th</sup> – Family Day/Scholarship Dance/Fundraiser  
This is what it is all about! Join us this night to honor our scholarship award recipients.
- October 28<sup>th</sup> – Halloween Dance/Fundraiser
- December 9<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Dance/Fundraiser

Please check our website for updates and specific information about these, and future events.



Illinois Tejano Organization  
**23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Scholarship Award Reception & Dance**



HONORING OUR 2022 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS



**ANISSA CORRAL**  
 COLLEGE OF DU PAGE  
 INTENDED MAJOR: BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION



**JOSE FRANCO**  
 CENTRAL COLLEGE  
 INTENDED MAJOR: PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY



**ELIA GARCIA**  
 UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN  
 INTENDED MAJOR: MECHANICAL ENGINEERING



**JOSELYN MUROZ**  
 SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY  
 INTENDED MAJOR: BROADCAST JOURNALISM & SPANISH



**RUTH NICOLALDE**  
 NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE  
 INTENDED MAJOR: PSYCHOLOGY OR BIOLOGY



**OLIVIA SOLIS**  
 MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY  
 INTENDED MAJOR: AVIATION



**XAVIER VISOR**  
 WALBORNSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
 INTENDED MAJOR: APPLIED SCIENCE/ZOOLOGY

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 6TH, 2022**

**BATAVIA MOOSE LODGE ♦ 1535 S. BATAVIA AVE. ♦ BATAVIA, ILLINOIS 60510**

ITO is a 501(c)(3) non profit organization. Donations are tax deductible.



**ITO BOARD – 2022**



**19<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MIDWEST TEJANOFEST**  
**JUNE 25, 2022**

## OPPORTUNITIES TO JOIN AND PARTNER

Contact any of the ITO Board of Directors for additional information. There is a yearly renewable membership to the ITO. There are ample volunteer opportunities. Tamales fundraisers are held periodically throughout the year. There are opportunities for Sponsorship at various levels. Contributions of any type and any size will always be warmly welcomed and deeply appreciated.

# Board of Directors

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*To promote and preserve the language,  
culture, traditions and values*  
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The *Illinois Tejano Organization* is pleased to introduce its 20<sup>th</sup> Annual TejanoFest. This event is taking place on Saturday, June 24, 2023, at the Water Street Mall in Aurora, Illinois.

The *Illinois Tejano Organization* is a *Non-Profit Organization* with the goal of raising money for the *ITO Scholarship Fund*. Help from our supporters is instrumental in making this event a success and your generous sponsorship will ensure continued success investing in the future of worthy scholarship recipients.

This is a great opportunity to put your product, services, and advertisement in front of thousands of people. If you are not the individual in your organization to make a decision regarding our request, we ask that you kindly forward this letter to the appropriate person. The ITO will gratefully accept sponsorship in any amount and if sponsorship is not possible at this time, the Executive Board would still be excited to have any employee and family from your company attend this year's Summer Festival.

In the past, the ITO Festival has been very successful! This event has been known to draw nearly 2,000 people. Families from Wisconsin, Indiana, Michigan, and even as far away as Ohio have travelled here to enjoy the ITO TejanoFest. Of course, the Festival's success can be attributed directly to the sponsors, organizations, businesses and individuals who have generously contributed. Former sponsors include:

- Aracely's Bakery
- Aurora Latin American Club
- Aurora Regional Hispanic Chamber of Commerce–Karina Garcia
- Aurora Township– Bill Catching
- Judge Bianca Camargo
- Candlewood Suites-Aurora
- Chela Casas' Cake Creations
- City of Aurora–Community Services/  
Mayor's Office of Special Events
- City of Aurora–Ward 2  
Juany Garza
- Country Financial–  
Felipe Rocha
- D & M Home Improvements
- Diana's Cleaning Services
- El Milagro
- Illinois Senate District 25–  
Karina Villa
- Therese Heier
- Holiday Inn Express
- Jewel-Osco
- La Central Bakery
- Meijer
- Pepsi
- Quality Inn
- Sam's Club
- Silva Chiropractic & Massage
- Supermercado Carrera
- Target
- Walmart, and many more.

Please visit [www.IllinoisTejano.org](http://www.IllinoisTejano.org) to view our mission statement and all our past events. If you have any questions about the organization or sponsorships, please contact the undersigned or any of the ITO Executive Board.

Thank you in advance for your interest and support.

Sincerely,

Melissa Solis, *President*  
[melsolis.1518@gmail.com](mailto:melsolis.1518@gmail.com)  
*Illinois Tejano Organization*

## ITO Sponsorship Form

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Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate the level at which we can count your support. All sponsors of any contribution level may place their banner at the ITO TejanoFest. Banner must be submitted one week prior to the event.**

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### Platinum – \$10,000

Scholarship named in the company/organization's name for that year  
Advertising throughout each event for one year  
Full page ad in the Festival's Program  
Booth Space for the ITO TejanoFest  
Advertisement for one-year on all publications, newsletters, and [www.IllinoisTejano.org](http://www.IllinoisTejano.org) website  
*Ten (10) Adult\* tickets for the Festival*

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### Gold – \$5,000

Advertising throughout the ITO TejanoFest  
Half Page ad in the Festival's Program  
Booth Space for the ITO TejanoFest  
Advertisement for one-year on all publications, newsletters, and [www.IllinoisTejano.org](http://www.IllinoisTejano.org) website,  
*Eight (8) Adult\* tickets for the Festival*

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### Silver – \$2,500

Advertising throughout the ITO TejanoFest  
Quarter Page ad in the Festival's Program  
Booth Space for the ITO TejanoFest  
*Four (4) Adult\* tickets for the Festival*

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### Bronze – \$1000

1/8 Page ad in the Festival's Program  
Booth Space for the ITO TejanoFest  
*Two (2) Adult\* tickets for the Festival*

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**\$100 or more contribution**

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This level includes a Business Card ad in the Festival's Program.

**Separate pricing and benefits for festival vendors. Festival Vendor Applications are available on our website.**

**In order to process this application, we need your commitment no later than [May 24, 2023](#).**

Please make checks payable to *Illinois Tejano Organization (ITO)* and mail to:

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*\*Ages 18 and under FREE*