

Congressional Hispanic Caucus

113th Congress - Congressman Rubén Hinojosa, Chair

History of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus

The Congressional Hispanic Caucus (CHC) was founded in December 1976 as a legislative service organization of the United States House of Representatives. The CHC is dedicated to voicing and advancing, through the legislative process, policies affecting Hispanics in the United States, Puerto Rico, and the US Territories.

There are 26 CHC Members in the 113th Congress representing congressional districts in California, Texas, Florida, Illinois, Arizona, New Mexico, New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico and the Northern Mariana Islands.

CHC Congress Members

Rep. Xavier Becerra (CA-34)

Rep. Tony Cárdenas (CA-29)

Rep. Joaquin Castro (TX-20)

Rep. Jim Costa (CA-16)

Rep. Henry Cuellar (TX-28)

Rep. Pete Gallego (TX-23)

Rep. Joe Garcia (FL-26)

Rep. Raúl **Grijalva** (AZ-03)

Rep. Luis Gutierrez (IL-04)

Rep. Rubén Hinojosa (TX-15)

Rep. Ben Ray Luján (NM-03)

Rep. Michelle Lujan Grisham (NM-1)

Sen. Robert Menendez (NJ)

Rep. Grace Napolitano (CA-32)

Rep. Gloria Negrete McLeod (CA-35)

Rep. Ed **Pastor** (AZ-07)

Rep. Pedro Pierliusi (PR)

Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard (CA-40)

Rep. Raul Ruiz (CA-36)

Rep. Gregorio "Kilili" Sablan (MP)

Rep. Linda Sanchez (CA-38)

Rep. Loretta Sanchez (CA-46)

Rep. José **Serrano** (NY-15)

Rep. Albio Sires (NJ-08)

Rep. Juan Vargas (CA-51)

Rep. Nydia Velázquez (NY-07)

Quick Facts & Figures About the CHC

- 8 Freshman Members were elected in 2012
- There are 7 female CHC Members
- The largest CHC state delegation is from CA
- CHC's Leadership: Chairman Rubén Hinojosa; First Vice Chair Ben Ray Luján; Second Vice Chair Linda Sanchez; and Whip Michelle Lujan Grisham
- CHC has 8 issue-specific Task Forces: Civil Rights;
 Diversity & Inclusion; Education and Labor;
 Financial Services, Manufacturing and Commerce;
 Healthcare; Homeland Security, Veterans and
 Defense; Immigration; and Information Technology and Telecommunications



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