Action Research Collaborative for Latinx Youth

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Motivation
Empower youth to dismantle structural inequities in their communities through use of youth participatory action research

Project Description
1) Convene a Youth Action Research Collaborative for Latinx Youth
2) Develop a research curriculum for Latinx youth
3) Conduct an applied Photovoice project

Context
Pittsburgh is an Emerging Latinx community where youth may feel more isolated and where support services may be limited

Casa San José has developed strengths-based programming for youth, including the FLY group

A community-academic collaboration focused on empowering Latinx youth to use research as an agent of social change, through discussion, skills-based learning, leadership development and applied youth participatory action research

Project Deliverables:
1) An Action Research Collaborative for Latinx youth (including evaluation results from the inaugural year)
2) A research curriculum for Latinx youth which can be disseminated to other communities
3) Results from the Photovoice project

Next Steps:
1) A proposal to NIH to develop a multi-level intervention focused on addressing structural inequities for Latinx youth
2) A proposal to the WT Grant Foundation to continue developing and evaluating the Collaborative

Potential Impact
1) Provide Latinx youth a safe and secure space to use research as a way to advocate for social justice
2) Developing novel interventions to combat structural inequities for Latinx youth

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Casa San José and the FLY group

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