

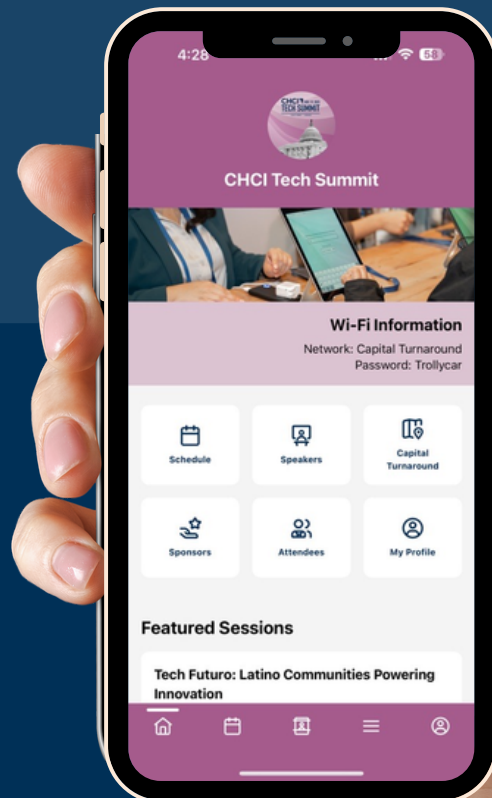
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WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2025

● **ATTENDEE CHECK-IN AND NETWORKING
BREAKFAST**

9:00 - 9:30 AM

● **FIRESIDE CHAT**

9:30 - 10:15 AM

● **MORNING BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

10:45 - 11:45 AM

● **NETWORKING LUNCH**

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● **AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

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● **AFTERNOON PLENARY**

1:45 - 2:45 PM

● **CAFECITO BREAK**

2:45 - 3:15 PM

● **CLOSING SESSION**

3:15 - 4:15 PM

All sessions are open to Tech Summit registrants.

MORNING SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

GUEST CHECK-IN AND NETWORKING BREAKFAST

9:00 AM | GENERAL SPACE

FIRESIDE CHAT

9:30 - 10:15 AM | AUDITORIUM

TECH FUTURO: LATINO COMMUNITIES POWERING INNOVATION

From digital equity to artificial intelligence, technology is reshaping our economy and society, and Latino communities are driving that change as workers, consumers, and entrepreneurs. Join CHCI Leadership, as they examine remaining barriers in access, skills, and representation and explore how Latino talent and leadership can unlock opportunity, strengthen communities, and shape the future of innovation.

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MORNING BREAKOUT SESSION

10:45 - 11:45 AM | BREAKOUT A

GUIDING THE FUTURE: POLICIES AND PRACTICES FOR ETHICAL AI IN YOUTH SPACES

Artificial intelligence has the potential to significantly enhance both educational outcomes and youth development practices. From offering promising tools that can contribute to stronger academic outcomes to supporting student growth and health. At the same time, AI tools might exacerbate challenges around bias, inaccuracy of information, data privacy concerns, that can affect student learning, mental health, and overall well-being. New frameworks and resources have been developed to help educators, youth workers, legislators, and education technology creators understand the opportunities and risks presented by the evolution of artificial intelligence and adopt policies and practices to enable responsible, ethical, and inclusive development and utilization of AI tools. However, while it is critical to provide guidance on how teachers, students, schools, and youth-serving nonprofit organizations use AI tools, it is equally important to prioritize how students, educators, and youth workers address ethics, equity, and justice in the creation, deployment, and utilization of AI technologies such that all young people and the adults who work with them are equipped with the knowledge, resources, and opportunities to critically interrogate AI technologies effectively and responsibly.

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¿HABLAS TECH?/DO YOU SPEAK TECH?

Nearly one-third of U.S. workers lack the foundational digital skills needed to navigate today's tech-dependent economy, tasks as simple as emailing or filling out online forms (National Skills Coalition, RAND). At the same time, fraud is surging – Americans lost over \$12.5 billion to scams in 2024, a 25% increase over the prior year (FTC). Broadband and affordable connectivity are the starting point; without access, communities cannot participate in the digital economy. But access alone isn't enough. Digital literacy has come to include consumer protection: spotting scams, recognizing misinformation, and using AI-powered tools safely. This session will explore the urgent need for tech fluency and the ability for individuals across communities to critically evaluate AI-driven communications, safeguard against fraud, and adapt to new technologies.

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MORNING BREAKOUT SESSION

10:45 - 11:45 AM | BREAKOUT C

GOVERNING AI: STRIKING THE BALANCE

Artificial Intelligence is advancing faster than regulation, leaving policymakers and industry leaders grappling with how to set the rules of the road to ensure this innovation remains safe, ethical, and equitable. While some states have already enacted their own frameworks, a patchwork approach risks stifling innovation and creating confusion. The real opportunity lies in developing consistent national standards that balance innovation, security, and fairness. How will we define the future of AI and its growing impact on many aspects of society? Join us for a dynamic conversation on the challenges of governing emerging technologies, the risks of falling behind, and the urgent need for collaborative solutions.

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NETWORKING LUNCH

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TECH FUTURO: LATINO COMMUNITIES POWERING INNOVATION



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MORNING BREAKOUT SESSION

10:45 - 11:45 AM

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BREAKOUT B



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BREAKOUT A



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AFTERNOON SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

AFTERNOON BREAKOUT SESSION

12:30 - 1:30 PM | BREAKOUT A

AI FOR ALL: BUILDING AN INCLUSIVE FUTURE IN HEALTH TECH

Artificial intelligence is revolutionizing medicine, from diagnostics and drug discovery to virtual care and predictive models. These innovations hold immense potential to reduce disparities, but without safeguards, they risk deepening inequities for Latino communities that already face barriers to access. This session will bring together healthcare innovators, AI experts, and policy leaders to explore how new tools—like mental health chatbots, predictive models, and telehealth platforms—can expand services in under-resourced areas while ensuring bias is addressed and Latino voices shape a more equitable future of healthcare innovation.

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12:30 - 1:30 PM | BREAKOUT B

BUILDING THE LATINO TECH WORKFORCE OF THE FUTURE

As AI, cybersecurity, and cloud technologies reshape the economy, the demand for digitally skilled workers has never been higher. Yet millions of Americans—especially Latinos—still lack access to the training and education needed to compete. Without urgent action, the digital skills gap threatens to widen opportunity divides. This session will convene leaders from industry, academia, and government to discuss bold strategies for reimagining education, scaling apprenticeships and reskilling, and investing in equitable access to tech training—ensuring Latino learners and workers are prepared to lead in the digital economy.

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12:30 - 1:30 PM | BREAKOUT C

CONNECTED COMMUNITIES: REWIRING OPPORTUNITY PARA TODOS

Millions of Americans still lack reliable high-speed internet—whether in rural areas with little infrastructure or urban neighborhoods where affordability remains a barrier. The COVID-19 pandemic laid bare these inequities as Latino students fell behind in remote learning and businesses struggled to operate digitally. This session will explore how broadband has become essential infrastructure and how expanding access will empower Latino entrepreneurs, strengthen communities, and equip the next generation with critical digital skills.

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AFTERNOON PLENARY

1:45 - 2:45 PM | AUDITORIUM

THE POWER BEHIND THE MACHINES: AI, ENERGY, AND LATINO FUTURES

Artificial intelligence is projected to add more than \$15 trillion to the global economy by 2030 (PwC), but its growing energy demands pose a major challenge. Global demand from AI data centers could double by 2030 (S&P Global), raising urgent questions about sustainability, infrastructure, and equity in the energy transition. At the same time, Latinos already make up nearly 18% of the U.S. energy workforce (E2) and are a growing presence in the tech sector, positioning the community at the center of this transformation.

This session will explore how the convergence of AI and energy is driving investments in clean power, grid modernization, and infrastructure, while creating new opportunities for Latino workers and entrepreneurs. Panelists will examine how utilities, tech companies, and policymakers can partner to build a sustainable, inclusive future—one that ensures Latinos are powering and shaping the AI revolution.

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3:15 - 4:15 PM | AUDITORIUM

BUILDING FINANCIAL FREEDOM: HOW FINANCIAL INNOVATION IS EMPOWERING LATINO FAMILIES

Across the country, financial technology is transforming how Latino families access, manage, and grow their money. From earned wage access to digital banking tools and innovative lending models, new solutions are expanding opportunity and helping individuals build financial confidence and stability. Yet, many Latino workers and entrepreneurs still face barriers—limited access to financial and digital literacy, along with systemic inequities that slow upward mobility. As the U.S. Latino economy continues its rapid growth, reaching an estimated \$5.7 trillion by 2029, advancing financial inclusion and tech literacy has never been more critical.

This session will bring together financial industry leaders, community leaders, and policy experts to explore how technology and education are bridging the gap between innovation and inclusion. Panelists will discuss how financial tools—from on-demand wage access, to small business financing, and digital assets such as stablecoins—are empowering Latino families to make informed financial decisions, build generational wealth, and drive long-term economic mobility.

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BREAKOUT B



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Rep. Darren Soto
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