



Frank López is the Founder and Chief Executive Officer of the Taino Group, LLC, a Latino-owned small business focused on creating entrepreneurial growth in collaboration with its clients and partners. He has an extensive range of accomplished executive experiences in Corporate Diversity & Inclusion Programs and Strategic Partnership Development. For him, nothing is more fulfilling than being part of a team with similar interests, and of a community that is mission-driven and that values and pays tribute to its members and public as well as private sector stakeholders.

From a community development & philanthropic perspective, Frank has been successful in creating substantive social impact endeavors that support workforce housing and sustained innovative youth learning and entrepreneurship services. Most salient among these are the following:

- **Business Growth Readiness & Leadership Development** programs that enhance pathways of entrepreneurship advancement in the diversity and inclusion world of procurement;
- **Youth Entrepreneurship Experiential Training Camps** structured to build self-esteem & inspire youth to pursue life-long learning skills and to pursue entrepreneurial dreams and aspirations;
- **Mentoring & Coaching** programs that connect aspiring youth with successful and experienced professionals to build pipelines of diverse talent in high-growth industries;
- **Community-Based Technology & Wealth Building** programs, including micro-lending strategies, to help increase success rates for small businesses.

In the process of developing resources to implement the above programs, Frank has gained substantive ability to effectively navigate across different and very complex systems of supplier and diverse vendor engagement, corporate and public sector revenue sources. Some of these include, but are not limited to, the following:

- **Corporate Social Responsibility** revenue & programmatic financial resources, to address the following skill-sets associated to Diversity & Inclusion practices:
- **Supplier and Vendor Diversity Priorities**, linked to maximizing efficiencies within Corporate & Business Supply Chains;
- **Community Engagement through Effective Marketing & Advertising** tools intended to open up New Markets & Channels of Service/Product distribution;
- **Philanthropic Giving & Grant Acquisition Processes**, including Corporate & Governmental sources of underwriting financial support, as well as through private Foundations.

His focus has been to be driven by the application of best practices, to develop measurable goal setting fundraising approaches. Frank has also focused on implementation of mutually beneficial business models, with balanced and equitable “win-win” value propositions that produce reciprocal beneficial returns to vested parties engaged in working together.

Frank served as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Heart of Florida United Way (HFUW). Frank also as a Founding Member of the National Hispanic Outreach Advisory Council established by the Intuit Corporation. Such a council was composed of a group of National Latino Leaders that advise Intuit Senior Leadership on the development of strategic strategies focused on Diversity and Inclusion & Expanded Penetration of Equitable Tax Filing Practices within growing Latino Communities across the country.

Frank is a former president and CEO of the U.S. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (USHCC) Foundation, and during this tenure of close to seven (7) years, he received numerous recognitions and awards for his development strategist service to Latino entrepreneurs from across the nation.

Throughout his career, Frank has served on a number of philanthropic and social service governance boards, most recently with SourceAmerica, an organization created by Congress that manages over \$2.5 billion in Federal employment producing contracts administered locally by affiliated nonprofit agencies across the United States and Puerto Rico.

Frank has completed Political Science undergraduate coursework at the Bernard M. Baruch College of the City University of New York (CUNY), with subsequent graduate studies in Urban Planning and Community Economic Development from Pratt Institute, and Human Services Administration from Lincoln University.

Frank has also completed Executive Education in Corporate Governance – Harvard Business School, and on Innovation and Entrepreneurship-Wharton Business School, and with his soulmate and long-term wife Sylvia, are proud parents of three (3) loving men with five (5) beautiful Grandchildren.

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