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Famed Political Strategist Ana Navarro to Deliver Keynote Address for Guadalupe Centers Centennial Celebration

_The outspoken Co-Host of The View will headline this year’s 100 year celebration_

(Kansas City, MO) – On September 21, 2019, the Guadalupe Centers will host its annual Blanco y Negro Gala marking its 100th Anniversary as it continues to fulfill its original mission of improving the quality of life for individuals in the Latino communities of Greater Kansas City.

The Guadalupe Center is honored to welcome Ana Navarro as the featured speaker for the event. Ana Navarro is a well-known Republican strategist, political analyst for CNN, CNN en Español, and Telemundo, and co-host of ABC’s The View. Known for her sharp wit and candor, Navarro has used her media platform to serve as a strong advocate for the Latino community on several fronts. Navarro first made headlines during the campaign season, when she repeatedly took the candidates to task for their toxic rhetoric and attacks on the Latino community. Respected on both sides of the aisle for her straight shooting, Navarro frequently appears in the media, and is willing to speak the truth to power without reservation.

“As we celebrate our 100th anniversary and the legacy of our organization, it is significant that we illustrate the contributions of our Center, the Latino Community in Kansas City and throughout our nation. Ms. Navarro has been someone who’s life encompasses what it means to not only be a Latina American in this country, but she represents hard-work and values that the Latino community holds steadfast,” said Cris Medina, Guadalupe Centers CEO. “We are very excited to have the caliber of a speaker as Ms. Navarro. Her honest and straight talk is what makes her stand-out and I am confident that she will inspire this year’s attendees.”

The Gala will also feature remarks from representatives from the Mexican Embassy and with other notable guests, including live entertainment and a silent auction. Bianca Beltrán, News Reporter for KMBC 9 in Kansas City, will serve as mistress of ceremonies at the event. This highly anticipated event will draw a larger than usual attendance, for ticket information click [HERE](#).
The Kauffman Foundation is this years Presenting sponsor along with other generous contributors: The City of Kansas City, MO, Bukaty Co, Health Forward Foundation and KCP&L.

**More information on the Guadalupe Centers**
The Guadalupe Centers began in 1919 and is the longest continuously operating organization serving Latinos in the United States. Today, the Guadalupe Centers provides an array of comprehensive services, including a charter school system, credit union, social services and youth development programs and serves over 12,000 individuals per year. Guadalupe Centers marks its 100th Anniversary this year as it continues to fulfill its original mission of improving the quality of life for individuals in the Latino communities of Greater Kansas City. For more information, please visit [www.guadalupecenters.org](http://www.guadalupecenters.org) or follow along on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter.

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