

# AGENCIA ALPHA

LEADERSHIP PROGRAM FOR IMMIGRANT YOUTH  
SUMMER 2024

## Orientation

»»» The past week we welcomed our young people to our offices at 62 Northampton St. Here they were introduced to their new coworkers, leaders and work for the coming weeks.

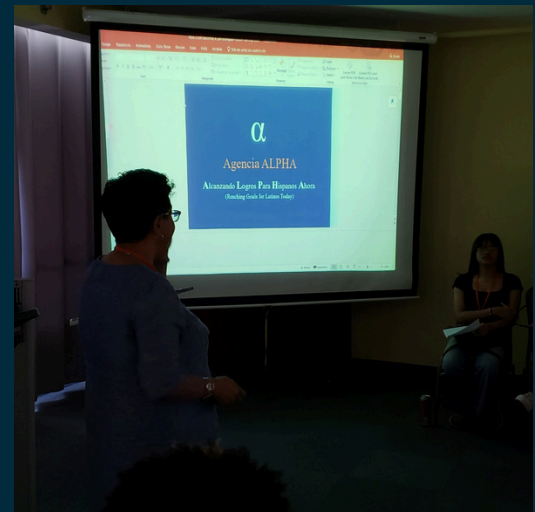
## Summary of the Week

»»» Starting off strong this week, the youth learned about the services that ALPHA Agency provides and how they are going to help. They also enjoyed team building games. Read more about it on the following pages!

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## >>> FIRST DAY

As this was the first week and day of the program, the lead coordinator, Katherine, and the assistant coordinators, Dalice and Lucas, introduced themselves. We began with a presentation about the origins and goals of Agencia ALPHA. We played some fun icebreakers to get to know each other. We also went over the dress code and payment structure to prepare the youth for working in the office.



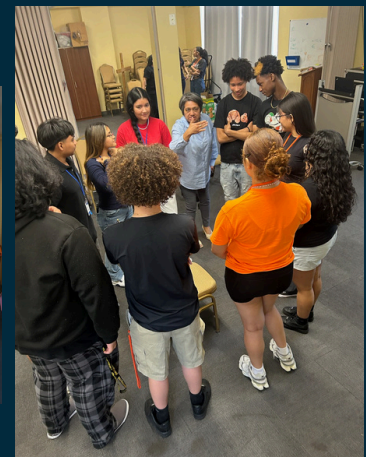
## >>> SECOND DAY



Since immigration is so crucial to what ALPHA stands for, Patricia, Executive Director of Agencia ALPHA, gave the youth a lesson about immigration in the United States. They learned that immigration has been a key part of the United States for the past 300 years. Additionally, they were taught about laws that have affected immigrants, especially in the last 50 years. To end the day, coordinators led a quick meet and greet bingo activity for the youth to meet ALPHA staff. The day was full of interesting conversations and laughter!

## >>> THIRD DAY

College and Career Readiness is a pillar of the program to help young people prepare for their future endeavors, such as building a resume, applying for jobs, and more. This week, Dalice taught workplace etiquette and Lucas went over what to do (and what not to do) when we go canvassing to hand out information about ALPHA. Director of Programs, Damaris, also gave an insightful presentation on community organizing.



## TEAM BUILDING

This week we played many games to get to know each other and generate unity amongst the teams. The youth acted it out playing Charades and put their drawing skills to the test with a game of Pictionary. We concluded Orientation with making a delicious candy salad.



## MEET THE LEADERS



**KATHERINE**

### LEAD COORDINATOR

THE PROUD DAUGHTER OF NICARAGUAN IMMIGRANTS, KATHERINE IS MAJORING IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND MINORING IN EDUCATION AT WELLESLEY COLLEGE. SHE STARTED AS A VOLUNTEER AT ALPHA DUE TO HER PASSION FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE AND IS CURRENTLY ON HER THIRD YEAR AS THE LEAD YOUTH PROGRAM COORDINATOR. ONE OF HER GREATEST JOYS IS WORKING WITH THE PROGRAM'S YOUNG PEOPLE AND CONTRIBUTING TO AGENCIA ALPHA'S MISSION TIME AND TIME AGAIN.



**LUCAS**

### ASSISTANT COORDINATOR

LUCAS IS A SENIOR AT GORDON COLLEGE IN WENHAM, MA, STUDYING CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES. BORN TO SALVADORAN PARENTS IN EAST BOSTON. AFTER THREE YEARS IN THIS PROGRAM AS A PARTICIPANT, HE IS NOW AN ASSISTANT COORDINATOR. HE IS EXCITED TO WORK WITH YOUTH THIS SUMMER!



**DALICE**

### ASSISTANT COORDINATOR

DALICE PROUDLY REPRESENTS HER PUERTO RICAN FAMILY. SHE IS ALSO STUDYING AT WELLESLEY AND IS MAJORING IN POLITICAL SCIENCE AND MINORING IN LATINO STUDIES. SHE IS THE LATEST ADDITION AS ASSISTANT COORDINATOR. EVEN THOUGH IT'S HER FIRST YEAR WITH ALPHA, SHE HAS ALREADY FELT THE WARMTH OF THE PROGRAM AND CAN'T WAIT FOR THE REST OF THE SUMMER TO ARRIVE!

## WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO THIS WEEK!

- FIRST WEEK WORKING IN THE OFFICE!
- STARTING TO WORK IN TEAMS
  - BLUE TEAM: MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY
  - ORANGE TEAM: TUESDAY AND THURSDAY
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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR TEAM LEADER FIRST. IF YOU STILL HAVE QUESTIONS, YOU CAN CONTACT ONE OF YOUR COORDINATORS, KATHERINE TORRES, DALICE RODRIGUEZ VIERA, OR LUCAS GALDAMEZ, AND THEY WILL BE HAPPY TO HELP YOU. WE ARE ALL EXCITED TO SEE WHAT THE FUTURE HAS IN STORE FOR THE REST OF THE PROGRAM!

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