

**Center for Student Empowerment
One-Time Requests FY24**

The Center for Student Empowerment respectfully submits five (5) requests for FY2024 One-Time Allocation Requests to enhance programs and services. The requests for funding are as follows:

FY24 One-time Request Summary

1. Black Excellence Scholars Training (BEST)	\$3,657.00
2. First Generation Summer Bridge	\$10,918.00
3. UH Dreamers Initiatives	\$10,070.00
4. Las Comadres	\$5,300.00
5. Fostering Success Initiative	\$6,000.00
Total	\$35,945.00

FY24 One-Time Request #4– Las Comadres

A pillar of the Center for Student Empowerment, Las Comadres College Mentoring Program supports first generation Latina students with meaningful mentoring relationships from University of Houston Latina faculty/staff. In collaboration with Student Outreach and Support, Las Comadres offers representation, opportunities, and a community for first generation Latina students to feel welcomed, seen, and supported.

Our goals are to help increase our students’ sense of belonging, navigate their college experience and explore what it means to be a first generation Latina college student, graduate and professional. In response to the need for increased student engagement as a HSI, the Center for Student Empowerment has partnered with campus partners to bring events and programs that are relevant to the needs of UH students.

In just three years, we have tripled in participation for both mentees and mentors. Our mentors are faculty and staff and across the university departments and colleges. Mentees represent all majors and classifications. Though we focus on recruiting first year students, mentees have the option of joining at any point in their academic career. Our growing Comadre network is now 150 members and counting!

DSA Strategic Initiative Student Success: Champion exceptional opportunities and services to support all UH students.-

Foster the **holistic well-being** of all students through coordinated, intentional services and processes. Expand **diverse experiences** on exploration and education while identifying and meeting the needs of our student population through supportive, inclusive environments. Enrich the sense of **connection**,

belonging, and shared UH identity among all students.

Funding Request

Fall Retreat	\$1,700.00
Roundtable	\$300.00
Fall Family Event	\$500.00
Spring Mentor Event	\$500.00
End of Year Reception	\$1,000.00
UH Branded Items	\$1,000.00
SubTotal	\$5000.00
6% Administration Fee	\$300.00
Total	\$5,300.00