

Since 1994, the Prevent Cancer Foundation partnered with Spanish Catholic Center in Washington, DC, to implement *Celebremos la vida!* (Let's Celebrate Life!), a program that provides culturally sensitive breast and cervical cancer education and screening to medically underserved Hispanic women age 40 and over. In 2004, the program expanded to Family Health Partnership Clinic in McHenry County, Illinois and four years later, Spanish Catholic Center expanded the program to its clinic in Langley Park, Maryland, which later relocated to Silver Spring, Maryland. (The Foundation also partnered with Lombardi Cancer Center, Georgetown University from 1996 to 2017.)



The program focuses on underserved Hispanic women who may not be able to access breast or cervical screenings, or education because of geographical location, language, lack of insurance or a trusted provider, or family obligations that may deter them from being screened. The *Celebremos* women receive free/low cost cancer screenings in a setting that is culturally appropriate and nurturing. This environment encourages women to return for yearly check-ups, take care of their health and promote the message of cancer prevention and early detection to other women in their families and community.



As of December 2021, the program has provided:

- 19,681 mammograms and diagnostic tests;
- 13,091 cervical screenings and Pap follow-up Tests; and
- 19,625 women, friends, and family members have received culturally appropriate breast and cervical cancer education.

Since the start of *Celebremos*, our program has detected 75 cases of breast or cervical cancer, and all have received or are currently receiving treatment.