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DHO HONOREES FROM 1990-2017

YEAR: 1990

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Jesús Gonzalez, Jr.
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Margarita W. Metzger
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Silvestre Duran
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Carmen Alvarez-Breckenridge
John Martínez

YEAR: 1991

RECIPIENT

Dr. Bertha Bournocle
Héctor M. Colon-Dayton
Homer Javier Chapa
Juan Candelario
Ramonita Rodríguez-Johnson
Madeline Torres-Hutlock
Hernán Alberto Vásquez
Berta Zwick
Dr. Alfonso L. Garcia
Ruben Castilla Herrera-Columbus
Mr. Mark Rivera

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YEAR: 1992

RECIPIENT

W.R. "Bill" Dineen
Laura Rodríguez-Columbus
Sandy Alomar, Jr.
Jesús López Cobos
Gerardo Colon-Cleveland
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Oscar Hernandez-Toledo
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Hon. Gustalo Nuñez-Toledo
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Chief of Police Celestino Rivera-Lorain

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YEAR 1993

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Altagracia Ramos-Beavercreek
Tom K. Gravalos
Carlos Baerga
Dr. Roberto R. Villalón
Wellington Ramos
Alicia Chávez Holland
José A. Villanueva-Cleveland

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YEAR 1994

RECIPIENT

Angel A. Guzmán
Eva Judith Lozano
Iván Rosa
Miriam González Lugo
Ignacio Reyes Bucio
Andrés Castro
Leticia Thompson
Salud González de Cortez
Charles M. Monita

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YEAR 1995

RECIPIENT

Sharlene Ramos Chesnes
Alvina R. Costilla
Phyllis Marzán
Héctor and Norys Méndez
Gloria Rodríguez Milord-Cincinnati
Dolores Quiñones
Raúl Ramos
Vilma Proaño de Zayas-Columbus

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Coughlin Moraima Harney
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YEAR 1997

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Ezra Escudero-Columbus
Roberto González-Toledo
José Luis Mas-Columbus
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V. Anthony Simms-Howell-Cincinnati
Eloísa G. Tamez
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YEAR 1998

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Nelson Cintrón, Jr.-Lorain
Candida Godoy-Akron
Ana María R. Lloréis-Dayton
Purísima G. Mira-Dayton
Mary C. Morales-Toledo
Julieta María Simms-Cincinnati
Michael Ferrer-Lorain
Eneida Uehlin-Cincinnati
The Reverón Family-Lorain
Eva Cantú-Columbus

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Victor Mora

YEAR 1999

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Evelyn Vansant-Lorain
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Spanish American Organization-Toledo

Joseph Genaro
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Annabell Droz-Berrios
Moraima Harney
Oscar Hernandez

YEAR 2000

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Dr. Nelson Bardecio
Carmen Blair-Columbus
Adrian Maldonado-Cleveland
Maria Molina-Cincinnati
Teresita Mundi Lewis-Cincinnati
Trooper Robert Perez, Jr-Lorain
Evelyn Rivera-Mosquera-Akron
Ezekiel H. Villa-Toledo

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Simon Rodríguez

YEAR 2001

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Maria de la Luz Galindo-Cleveland
Ray Pagán-Lorain
Lin Avendaño-Columbus
Margarita De León-Toledo
Luisa Hernandez-Akron
Marisol Jones-Ashtabula

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YEAR 2002

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Juez Joseph Flores-Toledo
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YEAR 2003

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Ramon Torres-Cleveland
Diana Milete-Lorain

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Maritza L. Perez
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YEAR 2004

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Ramona Reyes-Columbus
Dr. Rose Quiñonez-Del Valle-Cleveland
Porfirio Esparra, Jr.-Youngstown
Joel Arredondo-Lorain
Lucero Murillo-Columbus
Anita Lopez-Toledo
Jorge Seda-Cincinnati
Migdalia McClendon-Youngstown
The Spanish Journal-George Perez-Cincinnati
Sister Carmen Torres-Lorain

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Dr. Silvia Jiménez-Hyre
Richard Romero
Humberto Gonzalez
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YEAR 2005

RECIPIENT

Juan Santiago-Youngstown
Nuestro Rincón-Cincinnati
Richard Gandarillas-Columbus
Consuelo Hernández-Toledo
Juanita Senquiz-Lorain
Angie Martínez-Lorain
Cecilia Román-Columbus

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YEAR 2006

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Manuel Rodríguez-Cincinnati
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Anthony Gonzalez-Columbus
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CONT... YEAR 2010

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Jose "Rafi" Rodriguez
Mike Robinson

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YEAR 2011

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Angel Cabranes – Lorain
Joel Diaz – Columbus
José C. Feliciano Jr. - Cleveland
Dr. María José Pujana - Westlake
Lourdes Ribera – Cincinnati
Dr. Evelyn Rivera – Cleveland
Víctor Pérez – Tiffin
Dr. Raul Soto – Columbus
Judge Ronald Adrine - Cleveland
David Leopold - Cleveland
Lauren Hines – Columbus
Procter & Gamble – Cincinnati
Policy Bridge
Blanche Aviles-Casey
Tamara Gonzalez
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YEAR 2012

RECIPIENT

Sesario Duran – Toledo
Al López – Cleveland
Lillian Laboy – Strongsville
Reynaldo Carrion – Lorain
Tim Carrion – Lorain
Julia Arbini- Carbonell – Columbus
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Julio Gonzalez – Dayton
Giovanna Alvarez – Dayton
Juan López Jr. CISSP – Beavercreek
Rosalind C. Florez – Cincinnati
Simón Sotelo – Cincinnati

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CONT... YEAR 2012

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Daniel Radocaj – Lorain
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Mark Evans – Cincinnati
H. A. Musser – Cincinnati
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Maria Busch Castillo
Lilly Cavanaugh

YEAR 2013

RECIPIENT

Benito Lucio - Columbus
Luis Santiago - Toledo
Victor Garcia – Yellow Springs
Israel A. Barrios - Lorain
Marilyn Zayas-Davis - Cincinnati
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Angel Arroyo - Lorain
Richard Herman - Cleveland
Lois Poe Rust - Cincinnati
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Manuel Caro - Toledo
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YEAR 2014

RECIPIENT

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Robert Christmas - Dayton
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CONT... YEAR 2014

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Richard Gandarillas - Columbus
Senator Gayle Manning - Lorain
Sandra Lopez - Columbus

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YEAR 2015

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Joselito Gracia - Dayton
Tille Hidalgo Lima- Cincinnati
Manuel Santana Sr. - Lorain
Ed Cohn - Columbus
Kel Fligner - Lorain
Leonard Hubert - Ohio
Alyssa Wagner – Dayton
Anita Menchaca-Bratton – Bowling Green
Pedro J. Muñoz - Dayton
Dr. Juan Andrade
Anamaria Perales-Lang

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LEON'S "Alma de la Comunidad"

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Lilly Cavanaugh
LEON

YEAR 2016

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Jose Feliciano – Columbus
Jacqueline Rioja-Velarde – Oxford
Lorraine Vega – North Olmsted
Lourdes Barroso de Padilla – Columbus
Carmen Rivera – Lorain
Mirta Reyes-Chapman – Youngstown
Farrah Jacquez – Cincinnati
Yvonne Bravo Wathen – Centerville
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James Dunne – Franklin/Dayton
Glenn Anderson – Cincinnati
Katherine Fowler-Cordova – Cincinnati
MetroHealth System (Organization) – Cleveland
Molina Healthcare (Organization) – Columbus
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Jenice Contreras - Cleveland
Ricardo & Terri Soto – Lorain
Daniel Minera – Cincinnati
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Belle Harbor Management of Ohio – Columbus
Mary Stagaman – Cincinnati
The Andersons - Toledo
Cecilia Render – Brook Park
Ted Bergh - Cincinnati
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Pat McDonald – Cleveland
Our Lady of Rosary, Jacki Loffer – Dayton
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Staff Sergeant Sabrina Jiménez – Columbus
Sgt. First Class Dan Molina Sr.- Blue Ash
Staff Sergeant José Rosales - Cleveland
Lance Corporal Audali José Torres – Lorain

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