



Community Action Leadership Academy

April 2006 – October 2006

Congratulations CALA Class of 2006!!

Community Action Leadership Academy (CALA) is a leadership course for agency staff who are in leadership roles or have the potential to promote to leadership roles within the Agency. This seven-month course involved interactive participation, focused on learning leadership skills, and incorporates teamwork and self-directed study. Dr. Jacqueline L. Ryle convened the CALA training sessions as she has for the past six years.

When asked what they liked most from the training, participants had this to say:

- Jackie's teaching style and the group interaction. It was nice to interact and become acquainted with current and future leaders of FCEOC.
- Being able to share ideas/thoughts with confidentially. The group exercises were also great.
- Open/honest communication between each member of CALA.
- The participation level was great. Lots of good feed back. I felt valued.

When asked what they gained from participating in the Academy, participants had this to say:

- The Academy provided me an opportunity to sharpen my leadership skills as well as add a few new tools to my leadership toolbox.
- Time management skills, understanding different personalities, motivation skills, and how to adapt to change.
- I learned a lot of information about leadership styles, motivation, effective listening, and communication.

Roger Palomino was on hand at the final CALA training session to present a Certificate of Completion to all who successfully completed the course. The CALA group then enjoyed a wonderful lunch to celebrate their achievement.

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From left to right: Roger Palomino; Sam Hairston; Dr. "Jackie" L. Ryle; Tom Zizzo; Veronica Marin; Pete Gonzales; Patricia Williams; Kizito Okoroanyanwu; Candy Flores; Delia Canel; Melynda Cutts; Helen Jackson; Sabrina Perry; Jeff Sotelo; Nancy Alvarez; Yvan Blackburn; Kiran Hayer