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Annual Report 2021
To our supporters,

Thank you for your unwavering support of EduColor, the organization and the movement, through this unprecedented time. Last year, we said that “tomorrow, there’ll be more of us.” This year, I’m happy to report that we’ve begun building the foundation for a model of abundance that should persist for the foreseeable future. To paraphrase our esteemed guest The Kid Mero, our organization – and our movement – is stronger than ever before.

In addition to creating a new membership platform and making said platform affordable for our members, we’ve found ways to spread the message of equity, pedagogy, and justice wherever we go. Thanks to your sponsorship, we’ve also taken our message international (SCOTLAND! DOHA!) with larger plans for what social justice in education could look like from the educators most likely to advocate for better learning conditions for our students and communities. We saw how the pandemic made our work more urgent and more central to creating a better education system here and abroad.

Oh, and yes, we’re fiscally at the healthiest point we’ve ever been.

It’s beyond teacher voice. It’s about our agency, our priorities, and our beliefs when it comes to our schooling and education. These are questions that our ancestors have been pushing since time immemorial, but, thanks to our sponsors and advocates, EduColor can do this in many more spaces.

Tomorrow, there’ll be even more of us.

Best,

José Luis Vilson
A SNAPSHOT OF OUR WORK

**Membership**

~100 dues-paying members

Representing 30 states and 3 countries

Platform introduced in November of 2020

*** Fields represented includes educators, parents, activists, and policymakers

**Partnerships**

Worked with 10 organizations on multiple projects

Hosted over 500 participants virtually or through chats

*** Included free resources to our newsletters, chats, and other open spaces

**Advocacy**

Sponsored over 50 students, educators, and activists in their local work through our events

Presented at multiple conferences including 2 international conferences and over a dozen US-focused conferences

**Social Media**

Over 27,000 followers on Twitter

Hosted monthly chats including a series of transformative healing

Over 100,000 views a month via Twitter

Over 3,500 followers on Instagram

Over 3,500 followers on Facebook

**Goals for 2022**

- To develop more free educational resources
- To amplify advocacy about climate change
- To increase the number of EduColor members
This year, we grew our new platform to advance our work. EduColor’s membership platform already has membership from close to 100 educators, policymakers, and advocates from the United States and three from across the world.

Members build community on our platforms, share ideas, and participate with the organization in-depth around issues related to their classroom, schools, and districts.

For more, go to community.educolor.org.

We also partnered with two organizations that have helped us rethink our organizational structure while helping us build steppingstones towards greater work.

Public Policy and Education Fund has partnered with us as our primary fiscal sponsor. This includes our small donation collections and membership dues.

NYU Metro Center continues partnering with EduColor to deepen the culturally responsive—sustaining education in NYC.

For more, please contact us at info@educolor.org.

Quick fact about store.educolor.org:

- Our EduColor Store on Teespring has (again) generated over $1000 dollars
Since the current iteration of EduColor in 2014, we’ve prided ourselves on leading the effort to center race and social justice discussions on our various platforms. In the last year, we’ve hosted events with (in order of appearance):

- New York City Schools Chancellor
  **Meisha Ross-Porter**
- National Education Association President
  **Becky Pringle**
- American Federation of Teachers Secretary-Treasurer
  **Fedrick Ingram**
- Center for American Progress Vice President
  **Khalilah Harris**
- 2021 National Teacher of the Year
  **Juliana Urturbey**
- Professor (Teachers College, Columbia University)
  **Detra Price-Dennis**
- Comedian, talk-show host, and best-selling author
  **The Kid Mero**
- New York State Assemblymember
  **Yuh-Line Niou**

And dozens of students, educators, activists, and policymakers from across the country!
The Center for American Progress partnered with EduColor on a nationwide storytelling project highlighting the work of educators across 50 states. We collected dozens of stories from people from within our vast networks, but also from unsolicited contributors. Now, with collaboration from the National Education Association, we were able to collect opinions from over 2000 educators about issues related to racial justice, economic disparity, and COVID-19.

To read the preliminary report and hear their stories, go to webuildedu.org.
We couldn’t do any of this without our generous sponsors and collaborators throughout the years. To donate, go to donate.educolor.org.
None of this amazing work happens without incredible people working to assure this goes forward.

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EDUCOLOR

With your donations, we have:

Affirmed educators of color and conscience
Advocated for equity and justice
Advanced teacher leadership
Amplified student voices
Acquired a new membership platform

Tomorrow, there will be more of us ...

And with your support, we can do so much more!

To contribute to the movement, go to

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