

**NB\_230\_11\_25, Announcing the 2011 National Hispanic Heritage Month**

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**Subject:** EOP - Announcing the 2011 National Hispanic Heritage  
Month

**Purpose.** To announce the 2011 National Hispanic Heritage Month.

**Expiration Date.** October 16, 2011

**Background.** National Hispanic Heritage Month is an annual commemoration held September 15 to October 15 to honor contributions made by Hispanic Americans to our Nation. Each year, this time is set aside to celebrate the history, achievements, culture, and contributions of Americans who trace their roots to Spain, Mexico, and the Spanish-speaking nations of Central America, South America, and the Caribbean. The month-long observance begins on the same date five Latin American countries—Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua—celebrate their independence. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their days of independence on September 16 and September 18, respectively.

**Explanation.** "Many Backgrounds, Many Stories...One American Spirit" is the theme of this year's National Hispanic Heritage Month. Learning about Hispanic Americans helps build and improve Natural Resources Conservation Service program delivery efforts and its diversity in the workforce. Join us in supporting the many activities taking place around the Nation in commemoration of National Hispanic Heritage Month.

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