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LaGuardia Community College Community:

It has been such a pleasure to work with the LaGuardia Humanitarian Initiative (LHI) to provide a year of learning and advocacy engagement for LCC students, faculty, and staff. Throughout this partnership, I have been so impressed by the passion and hard work of LCC students as well as the thoughtful dedication of LCC faculty and staff. Through our shared work to end hunger, fight poverty and raise awareness for the issues impacting women and girls around the world, LaGuardia students have contributed greatly to CARE's advocacy initiatives.

One of the highlights of the partnership has been the opportunity to provide students with hands on advocacy training with congressional staff and members of congress. Students were able to learn advocacy fundamentals and hear directly from subject matter experts. Congressional staff from Senator Gillibrand and Rep. Gregory Meeks all remarked on how these student engagements were impactful and thought provoking.

At CARE, we know that conflict, climate change, and COVID-19 have compounded the existing hunger challenges. Not only is the hunger crisis hurting many today, but it is also robbing children of their future. Without access to food, fertilizer and seeds, shops don't open, the economy is hurt and girls are more likely to suffer gender based violence. Through this partnership, LHI students have been a voice for those children who have been hurt the most by the hunger crisis.

While our formal partnership has come to an end, we look forward to engaging the LCC community in our Citizen Action Network. Our Regional Advocacy Manager for New York, Harley Dority, will continue to provide opportunities for students to continue their advocacy with CARE. Students can reach Harley at [Harley.Dority@care.org](mailto:Harley.Dority@care.org)

Many thanks for allowing us to be a part of the LCC family.

Best,

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