



# 10 years YOUNG PROFESSIONALS SUMMIT

**10:15 AM**

**REGISTRATION AND NETWORKING**

**11:00 AM**

**WELCOME LUNCH**

**Monica Medina**, *Senior Manager, HOPE*

**Helen Torres**, *CEO, HOPE*

**Keynote Speaker**

**Susy Campos**, *Phineas and Ferb Producer, Disney Television Animation*



**Speakers Bios**

**11:20 - 12:20 PM**

**FROM INTERVIEW TO OFFER: NAVIGATING THE FULL JOB SEARCH JOURNEY**

In this session, you'll gain practical strategies to prepare with confidence for interviews, highlight your strengths effectively, and handle tough questions. You'll also learn how to evaluate and respond to job offers.

**Melissa Diaz**, *Vice President, Senior Talent Acquisition Consultant, City National Bank*

**12:20 - 12:30 PM**

**MINDFULNESS BREAK**

**12:30 - 1:30 PM**

**FROM PAYCHECK TO PORTFOLIO: YOUR FIRST STEPS IN INVESTING**

In this session, you'll learn the fundamentals of stocks, bonds, and retirement accounts like IRAs, and discover how each can play a role in building financial security.

**Natasha Miller**, *Wealth Management Advisor, U.S. Bank*

**Karla Mena Escobar**, *Community Outreach Client Relationship Consultant, U.S. Bank*

**1:30-1:40 PM**

**MINDFULNESS BREAK**

**1:30-1:40 PM**

**THE POWER OF PROFESSIONAL RELATIONSHIPS: NETWORKING**

In this session, you will learn how to identify the right coaches, mentors, and peers who can support your leadership and career journey. You'll also explore how to sharpen your personal brand to build authentic connections.

**Claudia Durón Burke**, *Development Talent Marketplace Manager, The Walt Disney Company*

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**2:40-3:10 PM**

**CELEBRATING THE 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE YOUTH PROFESSIONAL SUMMIT**

Celebrate the last decade of building leaders and supporting their career success.

**Brandon DeHoyos**, *Vice President, Community Engagement & Development, ABC7*

**Christina Sanchez**, *Vice President of Public Affairs, AltaMed Health Services*  
**Diana Amaya**, *Senior Director of Programs, HOPE*

**3:20-4:20 PM**

**YOUR NEXT CHAPTER: MAPPING OUT POST-COLLEGE PATHWAYS**

Whether you're considering a fellowship, graduate studies, or jumping straight into the workforce, learn from these panelists and their decision-making process. Learn how to evaluate each patch, weigh the short- and long-term opportunities, and choose the direction that best fits your aspirations, skills, and interests.

**LusAngelis Ramos**, *HCLP '25, Researcher*

**Alexia Iman Burquez**, *HCLP '19, Business Partner II: Go-to-Market (GTM), Google*

**Karla Mena Escobar**, *HCLP '23, Client Relationship Consultant, U.S. Bank*

**Emilia Fergadiotti**, *RLI '25, Student, Southwestern Law School*

**4:10-5:20 PM**

**CAREER FORUM**

The signature session of the YPS! Career forums are your opportunity to engage with career professionals from diverse backgrounds and learn about their career trajectories and fields.

**5:20-5:30 PM**

**CLOSING**

**Janelle Hartley**, *CEO, EnviroGage*

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