

# Eduardo Orozco

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## Objective

Dedicated community member and small business owner seeking to contribute to the Aurora Hispanic Heritage Board. Bringing over two decades of experience as a barber, I offer a unique ability to connect with people from all walks of life, foster trust, and support community engagement through meaningful relationships and service.

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## Professional Experience

### Owner & Licensed Barber / Cosmetologist

Aurora, IL

1999 – Present

- Licensed barber and cosmetologist with over 25 years of hands-on experience.
  - Opened first barbershop location in April 2005, building a welcoming space rooted in culture, respect, and community.
  - Successfully expanded to two business locations:
    - 997 Oak Ave, Aurora, IL 60506
    - 995 Oak Ave, Aurora, IL 60506
  - Provide services to a diverse clientele, building long-term relationships and trust across generations.
  - Mentor younger barbers and promote professionalism and cultural pride within the industry.
  - Create a positive, inclusive environment where individuals feel heard, respected, and valued.
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## Community Involvement

- Actively involved in local community events supporting Aurora's Hispanic community.
- Use barbershops as informal community hubs where people gather, share stories, and support one another.

- Engage with youth by offering guidance, conversation, and mentorship through everyday interactions.
  - Support cultural awareness and unity by fostering pride in heritage and identity.
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## **Education**

### **East Aurora High School**

Aurora, IL

Graduated: 1992

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## **Licenses & Certifications**

- Licensed Cosmetologist
  - Licensed Barber (State of Illinois)
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## **Core Strengths**

- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
  - Deep community ties and cultural awareness
  - Small business leadership and entrepreneurship
  - Mentorship and youth engagement
  - Relationship-building and trust development
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## **Personal Statement**

As a barber, I do more than cut hair, I build relationships. My chair has always been a place where people feel comfortable sharing their stories, challenges, and successes. Over the years, I've become not just a service provider, but a listener, mentor, and supporter within my community. I take pride in creating spaces where culture is celebrated, voices are heard, and people feel connected. I am committed to bringing this same passion and human-centered approach to the Aurora Hispanic Heritage Board