

## Deaf students present bust to Davila

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Deaf students led by Victor Medina, a film and video student from San Diego, California, raised funds to commission a life-sized bust of Dr. Robert Davila, vice president for NTID. They presented the prototype of the statue to Dr. Davila during RIT's Cinco de Mayo celebration, held Sunday, May 3.

"We are proud to present our special gift to NTID's leader, a decent man with a very good heart who came from a strong, hard-working family," said Medina. "He is a man who knows what kind of hard work it takes to be where he is today. We are proud of him as our first deaf, Latino vice president."

Among the student groups that contributed support to the statue were the Homies (a group of young men exploring their own cultural diversity), the LocoFunk committee (a group that hosted the event that raised most of the funds), the NTID Student Congress, and Delta Sigma Phi, Sigma Nu, and Sigma Sigma Sigma. The bust will be temporarily housed in NTID's Switzer Gallery.