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Angelo Restrepo-Hightower is the owner of Lion Language Center L.L.C. Lion Language Center L.L.C. links people through language by eliminating language barriers among American-Latinos- and other Cultures. The company teaches Spanish, English, and topics on culture to its students. Lion Language L.L.C. has been up and running since September 2011. Ms. Restrepo-Hightower is now trying to grow the company. She states, “We are looking to expand and be able to teach Chinese and French in a couple of years.” The support she received from The Edge Connection was instrumental in her company’s growth. The team at The Edge Connection helped Ms. Restrepo-Hightower reach the final step of her business idea. Last year, she was able to obtain a business contract with Paulding County Parks and Recreation to teach foreign languages in Mt. Tabor Park. She now teaches Spanish to toddlers and adults once a week. Starting this winter, they will be offering more classes and at different locations including Taylor Farm Park and in Powder Springs.

Ms. Restrepo-Hightower is a former foreign language teacher. She decided to start Lion Language Center, L.L.C. to help children who were struggling with language. Because she is of Latin-American origin, she experiences the struggle with language barriers first hand. Additionally, the opportunity to open a business doing something she cared about would offer financial freedom and opportunity.

Ms. Restrepo-Hightower recalls what The Edge Connection had meant to her personally and to the growth of Lion Language L.L.C. She states, “The Edge Connection has been a launching pad for me and Shirley’s Helping Hands, LLC. I could not have done it without the Edge.” Ms. Restrepo-Hightower said that the training she received contributed tremendously to the success of her company and she looks forward to the growth of her business.