

Mary Santiago

OBJECTIVE

To serve and make a positive difference in my community by assisting community organizations that provide services to the underprivileged and Latino Communities.

QUALIFICATIONS

Managerial skills, Tuff negotiator (Negotiating skills), Fund raising skills, Communication skills, Event Planner.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Festival Coordinator / presently in 12th year at position.

Fiesta Patronales, Sacred Heart Chapel, Lorain, Ohio.

Responsibilities include:

Personally raising all the funds to pay for the three day event.

Setting up and overseeing of the committees:

- Parade committee
- Entertainment committee
- Vendor booths committee
- Talent show committee
- Program book committee
- Clean up committee
- Marketing committee
- Finance committee

Event Coordinator

JRS Productions, Inc. / Music Production and entertainment

Responsibilities include: Setting up and coordinating of concerts, special events, dances and banquets.

Restaurant Manager

Island Restaurant / Spanish restaurant

Responsibilities included: Hiring and firing of chefs, waitresses and clean up personal. Maintaining inventory. Maintaining licenses and permits. Maintaining financial records. Handling of payroll.

Manager

G&S Market / Carry out

Responsibilities included: Maintaining inventory. Payroll, Maintaining financial records. Working with vendors.

Festival Coordinator / two years

The Latino Del Norte Music & Arts Festival

EDUCATION

I was not afforded the opportunity to pursue higher education because of the need to run a family business. Straight from high school I went to work for my father to run our family carry out business known as G&S Market which I later bought and continued to operate with my husband.

VOLUNTEER WORK

- Presently, Board Chair for the **Ohio Commission of Hispanic/Latino Affairs**
- Presently, Chair person for the **Governor's DHO event**
- Served on the **Lorain homeless task force** (two years)
- Board Member for **El Centro De Servicios Sociales** (three years)
- Board Chair for **Grassroots Leadership of Lorain County** (two years)
- Board President of Parish Council for **Sacred Heart Chapel**, the largest Latino parish in the State of Ohio (four years)
- Board President for **the Ohio Latino Arts Association**
- Board Member for **Coalition for Hispanic Issues and Progress (C.H.I.P.)**
- Committee Chair for the Speaker, Media Event and of the Evening Gala for the **Hispanic Leadership Conference** of Lorain County, Hosted by C.H.I.P (15 years at present position)
- Board Member for **United Way Foundation of Lorain County**
- Board Member for the **Ohio Arts Council's grant review panel** (two years)
- Board Member for the **Cleveland Museum of Art's Community convening advisory board** (four years)
- Co-Chair for Capital Campaign for **El Centro De Servicios Sociales**
- Presently, Board Member for the **Lorain District Municipal Board of Health**
- Presently, Board Member for the **Workforce Investment Board**, Lorain County
- Presently, President of **Finance Council for Sacred Heart Chapel**, Lorain