

## Mayor Julie Ruelas

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| <b>Education</b>               | 1990 - 1992   | Pacific Oaks College                           | Pasadena, CA  |
|                                | <b>Master of Arts in Human Development</b>  |  |               |
|                                | ▪ Specialization in Bicultural Development  |  |               |
|                                | 1974 - 1979   | California State University                    | Northridge CA |
|                                | <b>Bachelor of Arts in Art Education</b>  |  |               |
|                                | ▪ Magna Cum Laude   |  |               |
|                                | 1980 - 1988   | Los Angeles Mission College                    | Sylmar CA     |
|                                | <b>Associate of Arts in Child Development</b>   |  |               |
|                                | ▪ Magna Cum Laude   |  |               |
| <b>Professional experience</b> | March 2005 - present  | City of San Fernando                           | California    |
|                                | <b>Mayor</b>  |  |               |
|                                | Chair council meetings, study sessions and special meetings of the City Council                     |  |               |
|                                | Represent the City at public events, business meetings and city functions                           |  |               |
|                                | March 2003 – present  | City of San Fernando                           | California    |
|                                | <b>City Councilmember</b>   |  |               |
|                                | Set policies for the efficient governance and operation of the City                                 |  |               |
|                                | Review and approve the annual budget, proposed ordinances, resolutions, major city projects, etc.   |  |               |
|                                | Propose new programs and projects to meet the needs of those who live and work in San Fernando      |  |               |
|                                | 1992 - present  | Los Angeles Mission College                    | Sylmar CA     |
|                                | <b>Professor of Child Development</b>   |  |               |
|                                | ▪ Offer twelve college level courses in Child Development (all taught bilingually: Spanish/English) |  |               |
|                                | ▪ Obtained funds for and/or supervised several child development teacher training programs          |  |               |
|                                | ▪ Served as Program Director of the LAMC Family Child Care Homes Network                            |  |               |
|                                | ▪ Served as Co-Coordinator of the LAMC Early Childhood Mentor Program                               |  |               |
|                                | ▪ Have served on the District Academic Senate and Mission College Academic Senate for eight years   |  |               |
|                                | 1988 to 1992  | Los Angeles Unified School District            |               |
|                                | <b>Parent Education/ Child Care Occupations Instructor</b>  |  |               |
|                                | 1982 - 1988   | Ruelas-Gaviota Family Child Care Home S,F., CA |               |
|                                | <b>Owner / Director</b>   |  |               |
|                                | ▪ operated a licensed large family child care home - 6 years (full-time)                            |  |               |
|                                | 1980 - 1982   | Escuela de la Gente Children's Center, Pacoima |               |
|                                | <b>Founding Member/Teacher</b>  |  |               |
|                                | ▪ was instrumental in the establishment of this newly funded children's center                      |  |               |

**Additional professional activities**

Served on the City of San Fernando Historical Commission for 2 years  
Served as officer of the San Fernando Business & Professional Women for past 9 years

**Professional memberships**

San Fernando Business and Professional Women  
National Association for the Education of Young Children  
California Association of Bilingual Education  
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**Community activities**

President and Founding member of the Friends of the Lopez Adobe  
Acting Chair and Founding Member of the San Fernando Museum of Art & History  
Secretary of the San Fernando Democratic Club (three years)  
St. Ferdinand Parish Lector (16 years)

**Awards received**

City of San Fernando Women's History Month Honoree - 1998  
BPW Woman of Achievement – 1992

**Biographical Information**

- Have resided in San Fernando most of my life - 48 years
- Married in 1977 and have four children and two grandchildren
- Worked on various mural projects, including the Great Wall of LA from 1970 to 1982
- **Since 1997, have written several successful grant proposals, which have brought over \$8,000,000 to the LA Community College District**