



Ana E. Cubas Biography

Ana E. Cubas is the Deputy Director of the Youth Policy Institute (YPI). YPI is a non-profit organization that serves low income students and families by providing technology training, workforce training, and after-school programs in the communities of Pico-Union/Westlake, East Los Angeles, and the Northeast San Fernando Valley. YPI also operates the Bert Corona Charter Middle School in Pacoima, and has received grants for a Pico Union Charter Middle School and a Bert Corona Charter High School. Ana holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology with highest honors from U.C. Berkeley, and a Master's Degree in Public Affairs and Urban and Regional Planning from Princeton University.

Ana has extensive experience working in the public policy, education, and non-profit sectors. She worked for former LAUSD School Board President José Huizar for three years as his Director of Policy and Legislation. In this position, she helped the Board President establish his policy and political agenda, advised him on budget issues, and all policy and legislative matters before the Board of Education. Ana also worked in Los Angeles City Hall, first for the Chief Legislative Analyst's Office as a Legislative Analyst, and then for Council President Alex Padilla as a Legislative Deputy. Ana began her public policy career working in Washington, D.C. for the U.S. Department of Education, and then for the California Legislative Analyst's Office in Sacramento.

Active in the Los Angeles community, Ana E. Cubas has been appointed by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa to serve on the Los Angeles City Information Technology Commission. Ana is also a former member of the Human Relations Commission. She is the Vice President of the Salvadoran American Leadership and Educational Fund (SALEF) Board of Directors and of El Rescate. She also participated in the Hispanas Organized for Political Equality (HOPE) Leadership Institute 2000, and the CORO Southern California Neighborhood Leadership Program 2003. She is a previous Executive Committee member of the Los Angeles County Young Democrats (1999-2000), and continues on as an active member. Ana also appeared on television for two years as a political commentator in the *LA Chatroom*, a public affairs show on the KJLA TV station. Ana was born in El Salvador and came to Los Angeles when she was ten years old. She is the first in her family to attend college. Ana resides in the Solano Canyon community of Los Angeles.