

Jesse Flores, Nominee to Gateway Cities Service Council



Jesse Flores is employed as a Grants Analyst for the California Workforce Investment Board where he coordinates grantee projects for the Workforce Accelerator Fund (WAF) and provides CalJOBS technical assistance for grantee fiscal reporting and client management.

A resident of Norwalk, Mr. Flores is a regular Metro public transit user and Executive Director of the volunteer-run community-based organization Norwalk Unides, an organization that advocates for active transportation across the Gateway Cities.

Mr. Flores earned his Bachelor degree in Geography and a Master degree in City/Urban, Community and Regional Planning both from University of California, Los Angeles.

Priscila Papias, Nominee to Gateway Cities Service Council



Originally from Southeast Los Angeles, Priscila Papias is a resident of North Long Beach and an active transit user. Ms. Papias currently works as a Community Forestry Coordinator for Tree People.

Prior to joining Tree People, Ms. Papias worked with Sowing Seeds of Change, a Long Beach based non-profit that employs transition-age people with disabilities and foster youth (ages 18-22) through a job-readiness program, grow organic produce, and host educational workshops for the neighboring community.

Ms. Papias holds a Master of Science degree from the University of Michigan in Natural Resources and Environment Conservation Ecology and a Master of Arts in Educational Studies Teaching and Learning. Ms. Papias completed her undergraduate work at University of California Berkeley, earning a Bachelor of Arts in History and a Bachelor of Science in Conservation and Resources Studies.