



THE GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT  
OF COLUMBIA

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR  
OFFICE ON **LATINO AFFAIRS**



## **Executive Director, Jackie Reyes- Yanes**



Mayor Muriel Bowser appointed Jackie Reyes-Yanes as Executive Director of the Office on Latino Affairs (MOLA) for the second time. Director Reyes has lived in DC since 1990 and is the first Salvadoran to run the agency. During her tenure, Director Reyes has increased MOLA's budget from 2.9 million to 4.3 million dollars. The agency has also allocated more than \$13 million to support programs that improve the quality of life for Latinos in the District. Director Reyes has been a key player in the design and implementation of the Immigrant Justice Legal Services Program (IJLSG).

In her previous position, she served as Director of Latino Affairs and Community Assistance for former DC Council Member Jim Graham (D - Ward 1). While working with Graham, Reyes-Yanes led initiatives to address the needs of Latino residents in the District. Director Reyes was also case manager at the Latin American Youth Center (LAYC) and at the Office of the Mayor of Community Relations and Services (MOCRS) under former Mayor Adrian Fenty.

With more than fifteen years of experience and commitment to serve Latinos in DC, some of her most important accomplishments are: the historic Sister Cities Agreement between Washington, DC and San Salvador, efforts in gang prevention and helping to secure funding to rebuild the Monsenor Romero building apartments in Mount Pleasant that were destroyed by fire in 2008.