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SHARING THE GAHCC VISION

By Alicia Maldonado, Program Manager of Website and Internet Communications



Blanca Zamora-Garcia was officially appointed Chair of the Greater Austin Hispanic Chamber of Commerce at the Annual Member's Meeting held on January 20th.

Amidst to begin her new role, Blanca responded to a brief interview highlighting her plans for 2009:

What are some of the challenges you foresee as incoming Chair of the GAHCC?

"We are well aware of the turbulent times our nation faces. Although the Greater Austin area has enjoyed a protective insulation, unlike most of the nation, the unpredictable economy threatens our economy's security and we must support each other now more than ever. I challenge each and every one of you to join me as your 2009 Chair of the Board of Directors, as we forge ahead on building paths to prosperity."

What are your plans for the Chamber membership?

Membership is the heart of our organization. We will continue to recruit future members as we retain current ones by continuing our very successful and popular business networking opportunities. We will also continue to increase awareness and participation in various Chamber programs such as the Hispanic Austin Leadership Program, the GAHCC Ambassador Program, and the Education and Workforce Development Programs. We will encourage our members to utilize the services provided by our International Business Center, and our newly developed Emerging Enterprises Business Resource Center. We will also continue to engage our members in the numerous working committees the Chamber offers to its members.

What are some of your goals for the GAHCC?

"In keeping with our Mission of creating wealth for our members, we will continue to enhance economic growth opportunities for our small businesses by providing guidance in accessing capital, facilitating certification opportunities, offering IT classes, expanding the Business Incubator, and serving as the ultimate resource."

Before closing, is there any last remarks?

"I'd like to thank our members for their dedication to the GAHCC. You, the members, are what keeps this organization going. The GAHCC stands ready to be the guiding force to building wealth for each and every member. 2009 promises to be an exciting year full of opportunities."

Blanca Zamora-Garcia can be reached through the Chamber by contacting Arcoelia Navarro, Executive Assistant to the Chamber President/CEO, at (512) 462-4300 or via email at anavarro@gahcc.org.

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