

Cynthia Morales

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Office of Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard (CA-40)

Commerce, CA

District Director; Community Relations

March 2022 - Present

- Manage overall community relations operations in the district, supervise field staff district outreach, and review and approve speeches, letters of support, and commendation requests.
- Act as the Congresswoman's spokesperson, mediator, and liaison throughout the 40th Congressional District.
- Monitor district issues and politics and maintain the Congresswoman and Chief of Staff abreast of district developments.
- Continue carrying out Senior Field Deputy responsibilities, noted below.

Senior Field Deputy

March 2021 - February 2022

- Collaborated with legislative staff and elected officials in Washington, D.C. and California to resolve issues that impact the district and state, including immigration, transportation, homeland security, and appropriation requests.
- Co-managed the Fiscal Year 2022 Community Projects Funding for the District Office to include the vetting of 50 community projects and advise the Congresswoman on projects to be submitted for funding.
- Spearheaded two virtual small business town halls to provide small business owners and local chambers of commerce with COVID-19 resources and funding opportunities from the American Rescue Plan Act.

Office of U.S. Senator Kamala D. Harris (CA)

Los Angeles, CA

Constituent Services Representative

January 2018 - January 2021

- Monitored and reported changes to current immigration policy including: Public Charge, the 2020 Census, Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals Program, and the Migrant Protection Protocol Program.
- Served as a liaison between federal departments and agencies including the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, U.S. Department of State, and the U.S. Small Business Administration on behalf of Californians seeking assistance with pending visa applications, removal proceedings, small business loans, and pending asylum/refugee petitions.
- Organized events and meetings for Senator Harris, including tours of ICE detention facilities to ascertain compliance with federal requirements for the humane and just treatment of detainees.
- Maintained a strong line of communication with local immigrant rights organizations throughout California, state and federal governmental offices, and attended community events.

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Field Deputy

January 2016 - December 2017

- Prepared written and oral briefings with corresponding legislative policies and background information for the Congresswoman. Organized and coordinated 30 *Know Your Rights* workshops throughout the district to inform the immigrant community of new immigration policies.
- Developed and strengthened relationships with local businesses, grassroots organizations, schools, elected officials, and residents throughout the 40th Congressional District, while remaining abreast of local events and issues. Served as the Congresswoman's proxy at community events.
- Assisted with Spanish translation of social media posts, press releases, constituent communication, and fact sheets detailing available resources, legislative updates, and policy changes.

EDUCATION

University of Denver, Josef Korbel School of International Studies

Master of Arts in International Security; Certificate in Homeland Security

University of California, Riverside

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and International Affairs