



NEW YORK STATE SENATOR

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## 2012 Women of Distinction: Honoring Women in New York: Ivine Galarza

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As District Manager, Ms. Galarza is responsible for monitoring and making recommendations to ensure the timely and satisfactory delivery of City services and programs to the community. She also serves as a liaison to New York City's municipal agencies and elected officials and advises the community board on the City's capital and expense budget.

Prior to her work as district manager, Ms. Galarza was the founder and executive director of the non-profit housing organization, The Housing Workshop, from 1985-1995. Her many accomplishments include the implementation of a program that provided legal representation to low income tenants in housing court, and the formulation of a housing education program that was added to the curriculum for all public schools throughout Community School Districts 10 and 12.

Ms. Galarza has produced numerous public access shows for BronxNet Abriendo Brecha Internacional, geared toward educating the community about the services available to them by the city, state and federal governments. She also co-produced a Hispanic International Television Network (HITN) documentary alerting the public to asthma and the risk it poses to school children and their families. This documentary was filmed at St. Barnabas Hospital and helped raise funds for the victims of the