



District Leader

Biographical Information

Candidate's Name: **Anna Garca**

Candidate's Office: **Program Quality Director** District Number: **101**

Toastmasters member since: **March, 2013**

Education:

University of New Mexico

Toastmasters offices held and terms of service:

President, VPE, VPM, Treasurer, SAA, Secretary

Toastmasters honors and recognition:

DTM, April 2020, Innovative Planning Path completed

Relevant work experience and how it relates to Toastmasters and your role as a District leader:

Conference Chair three times, Fall 2016, Spring, 2019, Spring 2020 Club Growth and Program Quality Growth team member 2017-2020. Area Director 21-22, Div Director 22-23, Club Growth Director 23-24.

What experience do you have in strategic planning?

I have worked with Club officers to plan out DCP status for the years I have been an officer. Also my work role is on the Corporate Planning team where we have to strategically plan for multi-year plannings and for guidance to wall street.

What experience do you have in the area of finance?

My education is in business management and my work role is on the Corporate Planning team is part of the Finance team. I have been a part of the Finance team at my company since 2008.

What experience do you have in developing procedures?

I have created several reports for my company and processes to capture data as well as data visualization. It's about understanding what is needed and how to create a process to deliver that need in a way that is accurate and timely.

What lessons did you learn from previous leadership positions?

Listening is important. Taking in all perspectives. Coming up with a solution that will have the greatest impact. To be encouraging and let others develop.

Why do you want to serve as a District leader?

To open the doors for as many others to gain the wonderful skills that are provided through the Toastmaster "vehicle". Making sure that the 7 million people in the Bay Area get information that Toastmasters is here

In your opinion, what are the District mission's major objectives and how would you work to achieve them?

Support current members by ensuring top notch training for our club leaders and district leaders. Also model best practices and share ideas that help with growth and development.

Additional information about yourself:

I am a full time employee at Synopsys, Inc. one of the few companies allowing Toastmasters events. I am a wife and mother of three boys. I love to go on hikes and I have four pets.