



COOK COUNTY COMMISSION ON SOCIAL INNOVATION



XOCHITL FLORES

Xochitl Flores is the Bureau Chief of Economic Development for Cook County. In this role, Flores oversees the activities of the three departments within the Bureau, which include the Department of Planning and Development, Building and Zoning, and the Zoning Board of Appeals. She is responsible for leveraging the resources and personnel of the Bureau to foster community and economic development while promoting regional collaborations and vital, holistic communities.

Prior to her appointment, Flores held several key positions in both City and County offices including: Assistant Deputy Bureau Chief of Economic Development, Deputy Bureau Chief of Economic Development, Assistant Commissioner for the City of Chicago's Departments of Housing and Economic Development and the Department of Planning and Development, as well as Chief of Staff in the 1st Ward Aldermanic Office.

Her extensive private sector experience, serving as a consultant for a variety of clients including Fortune 500 companies and large public institutions has given her unique insight to establish effective systems and processes.

Flores is a University of Chicago Civic Leadership Academy alumnus and received a Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering from Northwestern University.