





## **Candidate's Biography**

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She is also a member of the Family Assertive Community Treatment (FACT) Planning Coalition. The Planning Coalition consists of more than 33 member organizations and the goal is to identify and address barriers to resources and gaps in services that young homeless families in Chicago experience. The planning coalition includes representatives from partner and resource agencies, consumers, members of the foundation community, and representatives from child development, housing, education, mental health, substance use, and vocational systems who can affect systems and policy change. Most impressive is that FACT is represented on 13 different entities across the city and state in which the needs of homeless families were NOT previously voiced.

Ms. Reyna-Guerrero has 22+ years experience with Chicago's homeless populations; participates in various task groups and committees pertaining to improving systems changes within the homeless, therapeutic day school and mental health arenas; and, she often speaks to local and national audiences regarding best-practices involving working with homeless families. As an advocate for the needs of homeless families, young mothers and children, she has been instrumental in keeping the needs of these vulnerable populations at the forefront when decisions are being made for funding and planning in Chicago.