

## **Julie Chavez**

Julie Chavez is Senior Vice President and Market Manager for Bank of America where she is responsible for managing a variety of programs in the areas of philanthropy, community and civic engagement, volunteerism, sponsorships, communications, and business integration for the Chicago area.

Julie, a native of the Chicago and the Pilsen community, has taken her grass roots approach to corporate philanthropy. Julie has remained active with a number of Chicago-area nonprofit and civic institutions. More recently she served on the boards of the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority and the National Museum of Mexican Arts, where she served several terms as board chair and now life trustee.

Julie currently serves on the boards of Metropolitan Family Services and the National Veterans Art Museum; the advisory board of Local Initiatives Support Corporation Chicago; and is a fellow of Leadership Greater Chicago. Julie continues to be a role model for others and encourages a commitment to community by volunteering and serving on committees and boards.

Julie has a personal responsibility to improve diversity and inclusion in corporate philanthropy and continues to advocate for more people of color to be leaders in philanthropy, whether serving as staff, as board members or active donors.

During her career at Bank of America, she has served in a variety of positions in global marketing, corporate affairs, charitable giving, and community development. More prominently, in 1991 Julie was named as Director of the Continental Bank Foundation. With Bank of America's 1994 acquisition of Continental Bank, she transitioned her corporate philanthropy work to Bank of America.

For over 30 years Julie has overseen Bank of America's giving programs, with a commitment to funding organizations and communities in need. Under Julie's leadership Bank of America continues to direct support to community development in areas of affordable housing, workforce development, youth, basic needs, and the arts.

Julie has her undergraduate degree and MBA from National Louis University. Julie lives on Chicago's near west side where her interests include spending time with family, gardening, reading, cooking, traveling and visiting local and national cultural institutions.