



Michelle Vargas

Public Information Officer

BIOGRAPHY

Michelle Vargas is a Public Information Officer with the Department of Public Works Public Affairs (PAO). In this position, she serves as liaison to the Bureau of Contract Administration and the Bureau of Street Services Urban Forestry Division, and PAO representative to Council Districts 1 and 12. She is currently involved in community outreach for various Public Works projects, as well as promoting various department activities including Public Works Week, the Greater Los Angeles Vendor Fair and Million Trees LA. Vargas also works with Channel 35 *CityView*, coordinating video productions for the Department.

Prior to joining the PAO in August 2005, Vargas began her City career in 2000 in the Department of Public Works Bureau of Contract Administration. In 2003, she joined the Mayor's Office of Economic Development to work on citywide outreach efforts for local minority-owned and women-owned businesses.

Vargas earned her bachelor's degree in Mass Communication, with a major in Film and Audio-visual Communication from the University of the Philippines in 2000. In her spare time, she does videography and video editing. She also enjoys boogie boarding, snowboarding and traveling.