

## Olga Tacure



Olga Tacure is the Executive Director of Women Encouraging Empowerment, Inc. (WEE), where she has significantly advanced education equity and community engagement since joining the organization in 2017. Initially serving as a Parent Lead Organizer, Olga played a pivotal role in developing a District-wide Family Engagement Policy, approved by the School Committee in 2021 and now in effect in the community where she lives and works.

Under Olga's leadership, WEE has experienced remarkable growth. The organization has expanded from three part-time employees to nine staff members, including two full-time positions. This growth has enabled WEE to increase its impact, serving over 1,500 people annually compared to 200 previously, through enhanced programs and services and resources. Olga's efforts have been crucial in securing

funding and building partnerships, which have contributed to the development and economic sustainability of the low-income families and individuals the organization serves.

Olga identifies as an immigrant Latina, Spanish-speaking, from Peru with a background in nursing and a profound understanding of the barriers faced by low-income families and individuals. Her personal experiences drive her passion for advocacy and her commitment to creating inclusive programs that enhance economic sustainability and community well-being. Her dedication to serving other immigrants like herself is what truly makes a difference in her work.

Her commitment to public education and justice includes co-founding the Revere Education Justice Alliance (REJA) and serving as one of the first immigrant women on Revere High School's PTO. She is an alumna of the Parent Leadership Training Institute, the Institute for Nonprofit Practice, and The Boston Foundation Women of Color Learning Cohort. Her contributions also extend to the Revere Cares Coalition and the City of Revere's Master Plan Steering Committee.

Dedicated to community and system change, Olga has championed engagement with business owners, particularly family child care providers, playing a key role in revising local ordinances to better support these providers and drive systemic improvements.

Originally from Peru, Olga earned a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing from Lima and volunteered at Massachusetts General Hospital and Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Her immigrant experience, having navigated many challenges herself, provides her with a profound

understanding of the barriers faced by those she serves. This deep empathy fuels her passion for advocating for others and creating inclusive programs that address diverse community needs.

Motivated by a vision of a liberated society with equal access to opportunities, Olga is proud of her accomplishments in enhancing civic participation, promoting diversity and inclusion, and driving systemic change. If not for her current role, she would likely be engaged in community health initiatives or social justice advocacy. Olga's journey reflects her deep belief in empowerment and the transformative power of collective action.

Olga's roots, personal experiences, and the communities she serves are constant and significant sources of inspiration. She is also deeply inspired by the team she has built at WEE and her family, whose support and encouragement play a crucial role in her continued success