



NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED STATES, SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL[®], INC.



Guadalupe Sosa

Secretary

Guadalupe's time with the Society began when she became a Vincentian with the Phoenix Diocesan Council in Arizona. She also worked as an employee with the Council for three years. In 2014, she helped organize a Formators' Formation in Spanish sponsored by the Phoenix Council and Western Region. She was a member of the team on the second Spanish Formation sponsored by the Contra Costa County Council in California. Guadalupe has taught Ozanam Formation Experience in Phoenix, and Spanish Ozanam Orientations in Contra Costa. As a member of the Phoenix Council Spirituality and Formation committee, she is helping to organize Spanish Formations. She currently helps with the Western Region newsletter.

Guadalupe has been an active member in her community and church. She served on the Grand Canyon Boy Scout Council for 14 years. A Cub Scout leader and a merit badge counselor for Boy Scouts. The proud mother of an Eagle Scout, she served on the Diocese of Phoenix Catholic Committee on Scouting. She received the Bronze Pelican, a recognition of adults for their Christ-like devotion to youth and Silver Beaver for distinguished service to youth. She served on the St. Agnes Catholic Church Parish Council, taught religious education, and was certified to teach Safe Environment.

For 19 years, Guadalupe worked as a Senior Policy Advisor with the Arizona State Senate, Democratic Caucus. Her work involved legislation in the areas of banking, insurance, transportation, and commerce. In both English and Spanish, she conducted Legislature 101 sessions for high school and college students, community groups, and organizations. Guadalupe received a B.A. in Secondary Business Education from Arizona State University and a Juris Doctor from the University of California, Hastings College of Law in San Francisco, Calif. She is a proud native Arizonan. Her maternal great-grandmother was born in 1868 in Tucson, making a total of seven generations born and raised in Arizona. She is also proud of her father, who emigrated to the U.S. with the Bracero Program as a 19-year-old from Chihuahua, Mexico. Guadalupe now lives in Phoenix, but grew up in Queen Creek, AZ., then a small farming town, and has never lived more than an hour from her hometown.