# Adrienna Corrales Lujan

# Adrienna Lujan + Executive Director Sister's of Color United for Education - Denver, Colorado

# Biography:

Adrienna is a Promotora and Executive Director for a holistic and culturally responsive community based wellness organization Sisters of Color United for Education (SOCUE). For over 25 years, she has been involved in community education, awareness and mobilization around culture, health disparities, human rights, food, media justice, violence, HIV/AIDS and art as social justice. Focusing on the intergenerational and historical trauma her work is rooted in epigenetic and culturally responsive modalities to develop effective curriculums and interventions always centered on intersectionality. With a speciality in trauma informed care, substance abuse and co-occurring disorders this inspired her to create comprehensive prevention programs for individuals, families and communities. She has created multiple Art in Motion cultural wellness fairs that have provided healthcare, basic needs services, community education, one site HIV screenings, and cultural arts for over 10,000 participants. As the lead trainer and co-founder for SOCUE, Adrienna has developed multiple holistic bilingual curriculums, being used by community health workers in Colorado, Mexico, Nairobi and Guatemala. Current projects include establishing local and national collaboration of small and emerging businesses, individuals and healthcare workers to develop and enhance culturally relevant materials, spaces and distribution networks which foster holistic wellness, racial and health equity through art and social justice. She has created HEAL Denver, providing a safe space in the Santa Fe Arts district, with an innovative approach to provide capacity building and technical assistance for emerging local and national projects and businesses that build equity and inclusion.

### **Professional Project Work:**

Sisters of Color United for Education, Executive Director
New Leaders Council Member of Denver Chapter
Co-created United We Stand car show and wellness fair, Sports Authority 2011
Created and hosted international food justice conference Soul'd Roots 2010
Mural Project Collaboration with Carlos Fresquez MSCD, 2011
Adapted and tailored a CDC Evidence based intervention, 2009
Co-Author and Publisher of Speechless & Despierta Urban Survival Guides, 2009
Created and published curriculum for the Office of Women's Health, 2004

# **Specialized Skills**

Program development, public speaking, capacity building, finance and fundraising, grant writing, community outreach, bi-lingual, multi-media distributor, consulting, community outreach, HIV counseling and testing.

#### **Professional Certifications**

State of Colorado Certification Level III Addictions Counselor 2011 Metro State, Bachelor of Science, Chemistry, Expected Graduation Spring 2014 BodyTalk Practioner, 2008

#### **Professional References**

Dr. Lydia Prado, University of Denver

Dr. Antonio Esquivel, (Retired) Associate Vice President, Metro State College | Tel: 303.935.2943