



ANA SOL GUTIERREZ

**Democratic Candidate for
COUNTY COUNCIL • DISTRICT 1
Montgomery County, MD**

BRIEF BIOGRAPHIC PROFILE

Ana Sol-Gutiérrez made history as the first Latina to be elected in Maryland, as well as the First Salvadoran-American elected to public office in the USA (1990). She was also the first Hispanic state legislator to the Maryland House of Delegates elected in November 2002.

Ana was re-elected four times and is serving in her 16th year in Annapolis. She serves on the **House Appropriations Committee and its Public Safety and Administration Sub-committee**. She also co-chairs the Joint Committee of Management of Public Funds and the **New American Caucus**. She serves on Joint Committee for Children, Youth, and Families, and is VP of the MD Women's Legislators Caucus. Previously, **she was elected to the Montgomery County (MD) Board of Education**, serving two 4-year terms from 1990-98.

This Fall ANA filed as a Democratic Candidate for Montgomery County Council, representing District 1. Ana is proudly participating in MoCo's publicly financed campaign fund which encourages small donations from voters (max \$150) and prohibits contributions by special interests, businesses, PACs, LLCs, and unions.

Professional Background: A chemist and computer systems engineer by profession, she was **appointed in 1994 by President Clinton as the Deputy Administrator for Research and Special Programs (RSPA) at the U.S. Department of Transportation**. She has worked for over 30 years in information technology in the public and private sector with major IT firms on government contracts at NASA, FAA, USDOT, Education, and State Departments. She is a **recognized leader and role model for women in the fields of science & technology (STEM)**.

Recognitions: She has twice been recognized among the "**100 Most Influential Hispanics in the USA**" by **Hispanic Magazine**, and named among **Maryland's Top 100 Women in 2006 and 2010**. She is a member of Board of Directors of the **National Association of Latino Elected and Appointed Officials (NALEO)**, the **Will/WAND Board of Directors**, was VP for Public Policy for the **National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators (NHCSL)**, and serves as a Trustee of **Capitol University**, an engineering university in Laurel, MD.

Latino Activism: In 1998, she was appointed by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce to serve as a Hispanic member on the **U.S. Census Race and Ethnicity Advisory Committee (REAC)**. As a Latino community advocate, she served *pro bono* as **President of the Board of CASA de Maryland**, the largest non-profit organization working with low-income and new immigrant Latino communities in Maryland. She is a founding member of the **Hispanic Democratic Club** of Montgomery County and the **Maryland Latino Legislative Caucus** to advocate for Latinos in local and state politics. She worked to **improve the health and welfare of poor Latino families** as a Board member of **La Clínica del Pueblo**, a free health clinic serving Latinos in the Washington metro area.

Key Policy Issues: Her passion for **Education Equity** and her extensive experience with public policy at local, state, and national levels, have made her an effective, progressive leader in Annapolis. She will continue to work to **close the educational achievement gaps for Latino and African American students**, to ensure **fair, livable wages and paid sick leave for all working women and men**, and to protect **immigrant, civil, human, and women's rights**. She fought to pass the **MD Dream Act** and **Marriage Equality**, to protect access to **MD Driver's Licenses** by residents regardless of immigration status, and fought to eliminate the **death penalty**. She passed legislation to strengthen **gun safety laws**, advocates for **universal access to health care** by all, and promotes expanding **language access** for English Language Learners and **dual Language** programs for all students in early grades.

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