

**Congratulations to
ALGA Lifetime Achievement
Award Recipient**

Virginia Garcia
Assistant City Auditor
City of Seattle, WA



ALGA's Lifetime Achievement Award recognizes and honors auditors who have made lasting and worthwhile contributions to local government auditing through their extraordinary service to ALGA. The ALGA Awards Program Committee is pleased to announce **Virginia Garcia** as one of the recipients of the 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award.

Virginia Garcia is a trailblazer for diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) in local government auditing and has contributed significantly to ALGA in this area.

Virginia served as the inaugural DEI Committee Chair from 2018 to 2020. As DEI Chair, Virginia championed the proposal to create the DEI Officer position on the ALGA Board of Directors, and she developed the idea for a monthly DEI Spotlight to highlight equity work in the auditing profession.

Virginia also served on ALGA's Nominating Committee and contributed greatly to a forthcoming proposal to update ALGA's nominations and elections process for Board members.

She has been a leading voice on equity auditing topics. Virginia was instrumental in urging the U.S. Government Accountability Office to restore equity as one of the auditing pillars in its 2021 technical update.

Virginia's efforts will have a lasting impact on ALGA, and she is a leader worthy of recognition.

A few statements from nominators reflect Virginia's contributions and commitment:

"I was immediately inspired by her commitment to equity and her dedication to making ALGA a more inclusive organization. She led the DEI Committee to become the integral part of ALGA that it is today."

"A truly strong leader empowers and supports those who are less experienced as Virginia did for me and so many others."

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