

Leslie Lanza

Human Resources Director

Leslie Lanza was born in Puerto Rico. As a child, she moved with her family to Pennsylvania and then to Oklahoma. Oklahoma has been her home for almost three decades. Ms. Lanza has more than ten years of experience in human resources and business administration in the US and internationally.

Among Ms. Lanza's professional accomplishments, her peers nominated her, and she was awarded the Women of Excellence Rising Star Award in 2008 by NAFE (National Association for Female Executives). She was the first director of the Miss Oklahoma Latina pageant in 2010. She obtained a Human Resources Management certification through SHRM in 2005. Ms. Lanza has a Payroll Certification from Rockhurst University. She's a Licensed Administrator in Oklahoma, where she has directed Residential Care/Assisted Living centers and participated in Health Care reform forums.

Ms. Lanza is an ordained minister. She holds an associate degree in theology through the Christian Leaders Institute. Currently, Ms. Lanza is seeking higher education and is enrolled at Mid America Christian University, finishing her Bachelor of Science degree in Management and Ethics. From there, she plans to obtain her master's degree in organizational leadership.

Ms. Lanza is married with two boys. She and her husband are lead co-pastors of Esencia House church, a church ministry that meets in homes and parks and serves the local Hispanic community.

Ms. Lanza enjoys traveling, meeting new people, and learning about other cultures. She's currently learning Korean and hopes to visit South Korea soon. Other hobbies are reading, watching K dramas, dining, and spending time with family. She loves the beach, seafood, and Italian food.

Coming from a family of educators and engineers, Ms. Lanza values excellence and considers herself a student for life. Being a bilingual professional has provided the cultural intelligence to interact with people of all backgrounds. She loves her community and its people and helping them grow professionally, personally, and spiritually.

