



RICARDO (RIC) ESTRADA | PRESIDENT & CEO



Ric Estrada is CEO of Metropolitan Family Services, one of Illinois' largest and best-respected human services agencies. Since joining Metropolitan in 2011 Estrada has helped the agency more than double in revenue and families served.

Estrada has three decades of human services leadership experience. Prior to joining Metropolitan Estrada served as First Deputy Commissioner of the City of Chicago's Department of Family and Support Services (DFSS). He previously served as Executive Director of Erie Neighborhood House in Chicago.

He serves on the Board of Trustees of the University of Illinois as well as on the Board of Directors of the Chicago Council on Global Affairs, the Woods Fund of Chicago, the Grand Victoria Foundation, A Better Chicago and Erie Elementary School.

Estrada has been honored as an American Marshall Memorial Fellow and a Leadership Greater Chicago Distinguished Fellow. He has received the City Club of Chicago John A. McDermott Award for Distinguished Social Leadership, the University of Illinois at Chicago City Partner Award, and the University of Chicago's Inaugural SSA Social Impact Alumni Award. In addition, Estrada was named a Roberto Clemente honoree by the Chicago Cubs and has received the NFL Hispanic Heritage Leadership Award from the Chicago Bears. Additional accolades include being named "Person of the Year" by the Corporate Responsibility Group of Chicago, receiving a Kellogg CEO Perspectives Fellowship, and earlier in his career, being selected as one of Crain's Chicago Business' "40 under 40."

Estrada's educational background includes an MBA from the University of Illinois at Chicago, an M.A. in Social Service Policy and Administration from the University of Chicago School of Social Service Administration, and a B.S. in Psychology from Loyola University of Chicago.