



## DAMARIS REYES

Damaris Reyes, Executive Director of Good Old Lower East Side (GOLES), is a lifelong resident of the Lower East Side and has been with the organization since 2000.

She has been involved in community organizing and housing issues both locally and nationally for over 20 years. She is the chair and co-founder of LES Ready, a disaster and recovery network. Reyes currently sits on the Southside United HDFC - Los Sures board, and the Center for Community Leadership advisory board. She is also a member of Community Board 3 and sits on the Land Use, Zoning & Housing Committee.

A regular public speaker around public housing and resiliency, her work has taken her internationally to learn about flood protection strategies and to share best practices in community engagement, resiliency, and disaster preparedness. She has received numerous honors for her work, including the 2006 New York Women's Foundation's Neighborhood Leadership Award and the 2009 Jane Jacobs Medal from the Rockefeller Foundation and the Municipal Arts Society.