TxPPA Member Spotlight Information Form

Name: Cherise De Los Santos Agency: City of The Colony

Job Title: Purchasing Manager

Certifications: Certified Purchasing Manager Number of Years in Public Purchasing: 6.5 years

How long have you been a member of TxPPA? 6 years - got here as fast as I could

Are you a member of any other Public Purchasing Associations? NIGP

Interesting facts about yourself that you would like to share: Served as a Police Officer for a short period, current HOA President where I serve the community residents and have resided on the board in some capacity for 8 years, married to a Firefighter/Police Officer who has served the community proudly for 32 years and we both believe as we have raised our children and grandchildren "the buck stops here" meaning to take accountability for your actions.

Worst Purchasing Experience: There are no "worst" experiences - only "learning" experiences.

What would you do if you were not in Public Purchasing? Military or law enforcement

Advice for other Public Purchasers: Everyday is a new adventure. This why I love my job and possibly interfacing with new vendors or employees on a daily basis excites me to learn! I feel this is what Purchasing is all about - helping others to meet the needs of what the department is needing as it folds in to city's budget for the betterment of the community, like a puzzle piece.

Additional Information that you would like TxPPA Members to know: Enjoy any activity that keeps me on the move like long distance walking, running and dancing. This also helps me keep up with my four grandsons.