

VETERANS

*** HALL OF FAME ***

ROXANA GONZALEZ-JIMENEZ

Roxana Gonzalez-Jimenez joined the United States Navy Reserve in 1997, and achieved the rank of Petty Officer 1st Class.

Ms. Gonzalez-Jimenez, the daughter of Dominican immigrant parents, grew up in Washington Heights and became the first member of her family to serve in the United States Military.

During her time as a Reservist, Ms. Gonzalez-Jimenez worked as an Accountant in her civilian life, while once a month putting on her uniform in service to her country. Eventually, she was deployed to the Middle East where she oversaw a battalion, working tirelessly to support her fellow comrades.

Upon her retirement from the U.S. Navy Reserve, Ms. Gonzalez-Jimenez moved to the Northwest Bronx, where she became a devoted leader in her community. She served as a member of Community Board 5 for many years. During her tenure, she worked closely with the James Peters Veterans' Medical Center (JPMC), and her local representatives, to provide her military brothers and sisters the dedication, support, and attention they deserve. Due to Ms. Gonzalez-Jimenez's efforts, the JPMC Vaccine Bus was secured two days a week to provide veterans, their spouses, families, and caregivers, with direct vaccine care and enrollment in the VA system.

Ms. Gonzalez-Jimenez is a staunch advocate in her community. Her efforts to improve the lives of her fellow veterans are endless; she has been recognized by numerous elected officials and community leaders for her tireless advocacy. She has also been a leading force for the Bronx Veterans' Advisory Council.

Ms. Gonzalez-Jimenez is an active member of the Christian Church Ebenezer. There, she leads the "Christian Mission the Jewel in You," which provides over 100 children with school supplies and essential monthly food items bags. She also organizes missionary trips to the Dominican Republic.

