

Eddie Perez

Eddie Perez is a respected leader, advocate, and speaker who is equally comfortable providing job counseling and direction to youth, students, parents, families and staff, as he is at interacting with senior level employers. His broad youth advocacy and development experience has contributed to becoming a knowledgeable youth advocate with effective supervisory experience. His strengths include exceptional, cultural sensitivity and a unique ability to build rapport with diverse individuals in multicultural settings.

The unparalleled compassion Eddie shares with both customers and colleagues adds to the many reasons he is respected; he simply wants to help people to “do better.”

Perez is a Certified Workforce Development Professional that has served in a variety of roles, including Youth Services Coordinator (BCS) and Program Coordinator for a nonprofit organization in Cook County that served underprivileged youth and adults by equipping them with tools needed to succeed academically and financially by helping break the cycle of poverty.

A Chicago native of the historic Humboldt Park and Logan Square neighborhoods, Eddie was raised by a single mother. As the oldest of three children, he quickly learned the value of hard work and responsibility. He strives to encourage and motivate youth and young adults to obtain their education along with developing a good work ethic. He has been a workforce professional for 17yrs as he started at the age of 19yrs old through networking. He believes that he can lead by example. Eddie tries to live by the words of the late Roberto Clemente, “Anytime you have the opportunity to make a difference in the world and you don’t, then you are wasting your time on Earth.”

He and his wife Kalyn have been married for 16 years. They are proud parents of 2 children!