

## **Meet Sheriff Adrian Garcia**

Adrian Garcia has hit the ground running as Harris County's new Sheriff. He brings 23 years of law enforcement experience and six years as a Houston City Councilman to his newly elected position. Sheriff Garcia is committed to refocus the Sheriff's office on serving the public and to restore trust in the county's primary law enforcement agency.

As a veteran police officer, Adrian Garcia put his life on the line to protect our community. His dedication was recognized by former Houston Mayor Bob Lanier who appointed Adrian to the position of HPD's liaison to the Mayor's Anti-Gang Office. In 1999, Adrian was named Director of this anti-gang effort.

Aside from the vital work Adrian did as a Houston police officer, he was retained as a consultant for the U.S. State Department to evaluate law enforcement and policing programs in Central America. He has also repeatedly served as a panelist on Harvard University's Criminal Justice Project. Harris County is truly fortunate to have a Sheriff with this experience.

Previously, Sheriff Garcia served as Mayor Pro-Tempore under Bill White. His time on City Council was a success for both Adrian and the City of Houston. He has been a tireless advocate for the homeless and has worked extensively on housing issues. He serves on committees, such as the Transportation, Infrastructure and Aviation Committee and the Budget and Fiscal Affairs Committee, which have given him administrative experience that will be relevant to his job as Sheriff.