

# City of Newburgh

## Press Release

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Doris Perez of City of Newburgh  
Department of Children, Youth and Family Services  
Honored by Orange County Human Rights Commission



(l-r) City Manager Jean-Ann McGrane, Mayor Nicholas Valentine, and Sara Espinosa, Director, City of Newburgh Department of Children, Youth, and Family Services, congratulate Doris Perez on her award from the Orange County Human Rights Commission.

Doris Perez, of the City of Newburgh Department of Children, Youth and Family Services was among the honorees of the Orange County Human Rights Commission at their 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Dinner April 26.

Ms. Perez, the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Center After School Program Coordinator, was recognized for her “commitment to improving the quality of life for all children.”

Richard Rivera, CEO/President of Latinos Unidos of the Hudson Valley, Inc., the organization that nominated Ms. Perez for the award, said, “Doris has a genuine enthusiasm and interest in supporting and helping young people. She is dedicated to ensuring that Latino youth are involved in programs available to young people in the City, and serves as a positive role model.”

The City of Newburgh Community Learning Center works with more than 600 children, youth & families at four afterschool program sites. Doris is the liaison between the sites, service providers, and the City.

She is also the Vice President of the Newburgh Latino Youth Collaborative, founded in 2004 to give Latino youth an opportunity to have a voice in their community. The organization’s mission is to make leaders of Latino youth through empowerment programs, mentorship and advocacy.

City Manager Jean-Ann McGrane commented, “Doris is an asset to the City of Newburgh Department of Children, Youth and Family Services. We are very pleased that her hard work and commitment to the community have been recognized by the Orange County Human Rights Commission.”