



## Ana Alfaro of Windsor

*Eversource Energy professional; Host and Producer of "El Show de Analeh;" Latina Community Leader*

In her professional life, Ana Alfaro is a Senior Community Relations Specialist for Eversource Energy, where she has worked for more than 20 years.

But you could say that's her personal-life title, too.

You see, no matter where she is, Ana seems to spend just about all of her time nurturing strong and positive community relations among groups of all kinds.

"Everyone in Greater Hartford's Latino community knows Ana Alfaro," wrote her nominators. She is perhaps most recognized as the cheerful and charismatic host and producer of "El Show de Analeh," which has been airing on Saturday mornings on local Univision channels since 2007. Produced in partnership with Capital Community College, the show entertains, informs, and empowers the Latino community by focusing on key issues like civic engagement, immigration, or health care (especially Covid-19) and by featuring authoritative guests who are specialists in their fields.

But she is equally well-known and admired for an annual toy drive she organizes to benefit children connected to Catholic Charities, the Salvation Army, and the Urban Community Alliance in New Haven, among other beneficiaries. This past December, thwarted by social distancing requirements, Ana arranged for donated toys to be dropped off via a drive-through at the Hispanic Health Council, so that Christmas could still come to the kids despite the pandemic.

A native of Honduras, Ana also organizes festivals to honor different Latin American countries and is an active proponent of the arts (and loves to dance herself!). And, she is a sought-after and active Board member of myriad organizations, including the Hartford Public Library, Billings Forge, and the CT Immigrant Hall of Fame (and several others previously). She has received dozens of awards.

And yet one of her nominators says: "Ana prefers to stay in the background, and she makes sure that others receive the recognition."

"Her passion for people, community, self-improvement, and sacrifice for the greater good are both amazing and inspiring," says another. "Ana is always searching for the best in us as individuals and collectively -- and she 'leads by example.'"