

American Gateways Waco Advisory Committee

- Arlene Lyons- Is the former Executive Director of Refugee Rights, Inc. and Austin Rape Crisis Center. She has several decades of experience leading nonprofits, grant writing, and working in the immigrant community.
- John Alexander- Has lived in Waco for over twenty years. He is the Executive Director of Waco Habitat for Humanity. He and his wife lived in Nicaragua for three years and are connected to the immigrant community in Waco.
- Josh Caballero- Is a Community Organizer with Grassroots Community Development. He has experience working with refugees from various parts of the world.
- DeShauna Hollie- Is a native Wacoan and former leader of the Waco Immigrants Alliance. She is a community organizer with Grassroots Community Development.
- Grecia Chavira- Grew up in Waco and is an immigrant from Mexico. As a former DREAMer, she has been involved in advocacy for undocumented students. She is a paralegal in the Law Office of Susan Nelson.
- Susan Nelson- Is a Baylor Lawyer and immigration practitioner for over ten years. She is a board certified immigration attorney. She is also the leader of the Baylor Law School Immigration Clinic.
- Joe Gatlin- Is founder of Waco Habitat for Humanity. He worked with Habitat for Humanity International for over 30 years and has extensive experience in the nonprofit arena.