

HUMBERTO N. STEVENS

Summarized Biography

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Humberto N. Stevens is vice president at the largest independent bank in Southern Arizona, Commerce Bank of Arizona. He is one of five siblings raised on the U.S./Mexico border in Nogales, Arizona. As a young man, Humberto helped manage his family's Spanish-language media, entertainment, and retail businesses. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Mexican American Studies/Social Behavioral Sciences at the University of Arizona in 1995. Shortly thereafter, he began to work as a trade consultant for Stevens International, a business that facilitates global logistics for companies such as the Ford Motor Company, General Motors Corporation, and IBM. Humberto has been recruited by companies such as Qwest Wireless to manage their Southern Arizona emerging markets, Wells Fargo Bank and JPMorgan Chase Bank for business banking development.

While at Wells Fargo Bank, Humberto launched a partnership with Catholic Community Services of Southern Arizona, Inc. to provide matched funding for low-income housing. At Chase Bank, he successfully increased the bank's financial commitment to local businesses and charities. Humberto also found time to consult for non-profits providing financial literacy and cultural competence courses in Tucson, Arizona. At Commerce Bank of Arizona, he has played an essential role in the bank's development of new partnerships with local businesses and additional commitment to philanthropic causes in our community.

Humberto has worked continuously to better the socio-economics of Southern Arizona. His dedication to the betterment of our business and growing community is tireless. He has been involved in raising thousands of scholarship dollars and mentored for economically disadvantaged Hispanic youth...many of who are now successful professionals and citizens. An example is Miguel De Zubeldia, now a specialist with Cisco Systems; from humble beginnings and now travels the globe working on future technologies.

Humberto has volunteered for the University of Arizona's Eller College of Management, the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the Arizona Women's Conference, the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC), the University of Arizona Hispanic and National Alumni, the *Latino Youth Entrepreneurship Program* for the Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and the Boys and Girls Clubs of America. Currently, he volunteers for community development non-profits such as Amistades, Inc. and he is a community liaison for Imagine Greater Tucson.

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Humberto is also committed to the growth of our business community with a focus on local businesses and emerging markets. He has led and participated in various facets of education (K-12, post-secondary and business) for our community: teaching, mentoring, fund raising, management, research and development. Humberto believes the positive impact of education is boundless, from local effects on small communities to far-reaching changes on entire societies.

As a community banker, he understands that assisting business owners with their financial options and manageable goals is invaluable. As a philanthropist and community volunteer, he understands that investing in our youth of today creates the leaders of tomorrow. Through his leadership and actions, Humberto encourages others to become “active and present” in our community...volunteering, participating and financially supporting our local charities. He believes the health and wellness of our community depends on each and every one of us.

Humberto is a past president of the University of Arizona Hispanic Alumni Club (UAHA) and the Media, Democracy, & Policy Initiative (MDPI); past chairman of Borderlands Theatre and of the Board of Trustees for the Portable Practical Educational Preparation (PPEP) Foundation; past member of the University of Arizona President’s Hispanic Advisory Council, the Association of Latin Professionals in Finance and Accounting (ALPFA), and the Tucson Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce. He is currently a member of the San Miguel High School *Catholic College Preparatory* Board of Trustees, the Tucson Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Green Valley Sahuarita Chamber of Commerce assisting with their Education Scholarship and the Economic Development Committees and of the Arizona Bankers Association. Humberto is a liaison for Commerce Bank of Arizona to the Tucson Regional Economic Opportunities (TREO) and to the Tucson Values Teachers organization.

Awards and Recognition:

2010: Hispanic Executive Magazine- *Featured as Top Executive, May/June*
2009: Inside Tucson Business Newspaper- *Tucson Up & Comers Award*
2008: F.B.I./League of United Latin American Citizens- *Community Service Award*
2008: Amistades, Inc- *Community Advocate Award*
2007: University of Arizona Hispanic Alumni Club- *Outstanding Service Award*
2006: Arizona Women’s Conference- *Community Service Award*

Additional information is available upon request.