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The Greater East Dallas Chamber of Commerce Secures Globally Recognized Keynote Speaker for 14th Annual Economic Summit

DALLAS, TX (April 17th, 2018) – The Greater East Dallas Chamber of Commerce (GEDCC) will host its 14th Annual Economic Summit on Tuesday, October 16th, 2018 from 9:00 am to 1:30 pm at the Doubletree by Hilton Campbell Centre (8250 N. Central Expressway, Dallas, TX 75206). The chamber, comprised of East Dallas community leaders and activists, is thrilled to announce that this year’s Keynote Speaker will be well-known Entrepreneur, Philanthropist, Global Leader, AND East Dallas resident – Nina Vaca. Bringing years of experience and dedication to her career and the business community, Nina will focus on her presentation on her background and entrepreneurial journey. Combining the East Dallas community’s dedication to technology, transportation, education, growth, and development, this year’s Economic Summit will center around the theme “East Dallas CONNECTS”.

Hear from East Dallas City Councilmen and various speakers on topics surrounding the economic vitality of the Greater East Dallas community and this year’s theme. CC Young is this year’s Presenting Sponsor, and Oncor is confirmed as a \$5,000 Gold Sponsor.

Registration begins at 9:00am, and the program begins promptly at 9:30am. The morning will include a continental breakfast during Registration, followed by speaker introductions and Q&A sessions. After Lunch, participants will hear from event sponsors and then move to the Hall to network and visit various Committee tables.

The 2018 Economic Summit Co-Chairs include Richard Moore with Lakewood Title, Michael Alcantar with Iberia Bank, and Andrea Sanders with Oncor.

Sponsorship Levels range from \$1,500, \$2,500, and \$5,000. Host Tables are \$500.

To secure sponsorships online, visit <http://www.eastdallaschamber.com>, call 214-328-4100, or e-mail president@eastdallaschamber.com.

Individual tickets are \$65 and can be purchased online at www.eastdallaschamber.com or by calling 214-649-1773. Checks should be mailed to GEDCC at 9543 Losa Drive, Suite 118 – Dallas, TX 75218.

For more information about this year's event, please call 214-328-4100 or visit [Economic Summit](#).



2018 Economic Summit Presenting Sponsor, CC Young

About the Greater East Dallas Chamber of Commerce

The purpose of the Greater East Dallas Chamber of Commerce is to promote the cultural, educational and industrial interests of the East Dallas Area so that its businesses, neighborhoods and citizens shall prosper.

The multifaceted approach of the Greater East Dallas Chamber of Commerce provides benefits to our members in a variety of different arenas. We offer a number of forums for the promotion of all of our member businesses. We are also proud to provide our members with relevant information regarding the East Dallas community, as well as insight into local, state and national government issues. The events that provide a conduit for these benefits, and others, include our monthly luncheons that highlight a variety of topics addressed by featured keynote speakers. We also present an annual Economic Summit - essentially a "state of the union" with respect to the Dallas Economy. Member businesses and guests are encouraged to gather and exchange information through our numerous networking events, especially our Business After Hours excursions, which are hosted by a spotlighted member business. Sponsorship opportunities abound for these events, as well as for many of our other Chamber gatherings. For more information, please contact the chamber directly.

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For more information about GEDCC, visit <http://eastdallaschamber.com> or contact 214-328-4100 or president@eastdallaschamber.com

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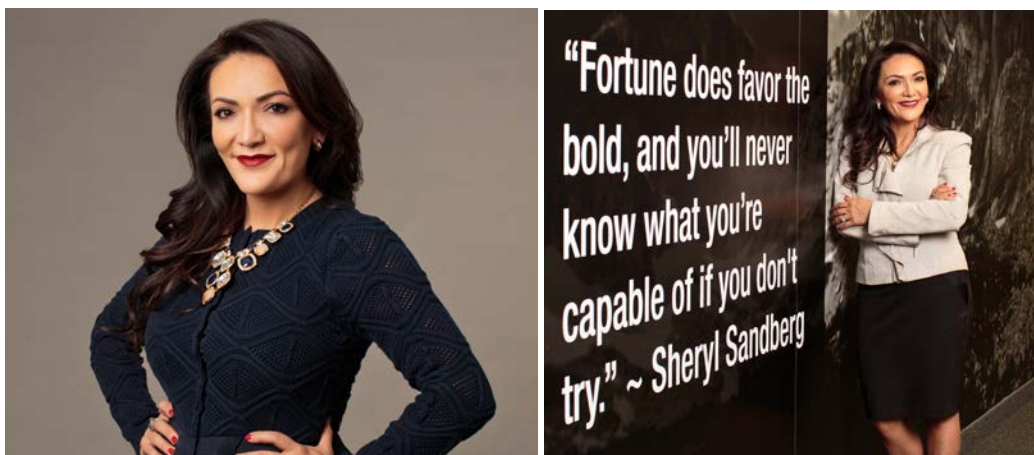
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About Keynote Speaker, Nina Vaca

Since founding Pinnacle Group in her mid 20's, Nina Vaca has strategically developed it into the dynamic powerhouse that it is today, providing information technology services and workforce solutions to iconic global brands. Under her fearless leadership, Pinnacle Group has been ranked among the Inc. 500/5000 fastest-growing companies in the country for the last decade. In 2015, it was named the fastest-growing women-owned/led company in the nation by the Women President's Organization, as well as being named along the top two in 2016 and 2017. Vaca serves as a director of three Fortune 1000 companies with a combined market cap of \$23 Billion: Kohl's Corporation, Cinemark Holdings, and Comerica, Inc.

Vaca's Notable awards include: Goldman Sachs' Most Intriguing Entrepreneurs, NBC Innovator, Ernst & Young's Entrepreneur of the Year/Hall of Fame inductee, Latino Leaders 101 Most Influential Latinos, Women President's Organization's Fastest-Growing Women-Owned in America.

Nina Vaca is a proud resident of East Dallas.



Nina Vaca, Chairman & CEO of Pinnacle Group

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