



Alana Mantilla is the Economic Development Manager for the City of Covina, working within the Community Development Department. In her current role, Alana manages projects related to housing and homelessness, City-sponsored development projects, economic development initiatives, City-owned commercial properties, CDBG funding, and redevelopment. She is a new member of CALED's Project Development & Finance Division and a member of the Municipal Management Association of Southern California.

In her time with the City of Covina, Alana has managed various high-visibility projects, including the recent establishment of the Covina Enhanced Infrastructure Financing District. In 2022, she worked on the City's project team in purchasing the Covina Theater, which led to the team's successful partnership with the world-famous Laugh Factory in establishing the Covina Laugh Factory.

Over the last seven years, Alana has held various positions within Community Development, having begun her career with the City of Placentia prior to joining the City of Covina in 2019. She graduated cum laude from California State University, Fullerton with a BA in Public Administration, and graduated with honors from California State University, Northridge with her Master's of Public Administration Degree with capstone work focused on the efficacy of default density standards on housing affordability as a tool for meeting RHNA allocations. She will begin coursework towards obtaining her ACE certification in October 2024 and hopes to further her education in real estate and quantifiable policy evaluation methods.

As a life-long resident of Southern California, Alana grew up splitting her time between the cities of Poway and Dana Point and now resides in LA County. In her free time, she enjoys cooking, exploring multicultural grocery stores, watching reality tv, and traveling.