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BIO

Christopher Lorenzana is the Deputy Director for the U.S. Small Business Administration's Orange County / Inland Empire District Office (OCIEDO). In this role, Lorenzana acts as senior advisor to Director J. Adalberto Quijada and assists in overseeing the delivery of SBA programs and services to approximately 7 million people throughout Southern California's Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties, which covers more than 28,000 square miles. Among other responsibilities are the administration of SBA's focused initiatives and the management and oversight of SBA's Resource Partners including three Women's Business Centers, three SCORE chapters and a network Small Business Development Centers.

Joining the SBA in 2007, Lorenzana began his career as a member of the Economic Development team in Orange County and the Inland Empire. He was promoted in 2010 to serve as Communications Director for the SBA's Pacific Region, and in 2013, returned to the OC/IE District Office to lead Economic Development, Marketing & Outreach.

Before joining the SBA, Lorenzana was a leader in the private sector, holding positions in a non-profit, startup and Fortune 500 firm.

Lorenzana graduated from Chapman University with a Master of Business Administration (MBA), where he was the recipient of the first Tomorrow's Leaders MBA Fellowship, and earned his bachelor's degree from California State University, Fullerton's Mihaylo College of Business and Economics.

Lorenzana and his wife, Lily, have two children.