



Elizabeth Custodio, a longtime resident of Stony Brook, NY, was born and raised in the Bronx, NY. Ms. Custodio attended C.U.N.Y.'s Herbert H. Lehman College, and soon thereafter, her banking career was launched at Manufacturers Hanover Trust Co. Here, she was introduced with the concept and importance of true customer service. Today, Elizabeth has over forty years of banking experience, most recently at People's United Bank as Vice President, Community Development & CRA Officer for NY. Her duties include economic and community outreach while ensuring the Bank meets all local, State, and federal regulatory requirements including the Community Reinvestment Act. Prior to People's United Bank, she had a similar role at Suffolk County National Bank and at Astoria Bank, following a long career at HSBC where she managed the Community Business Development Officers throughout the organization's national footprint.

Elizabeth possesses a unique sensitivity and profound awareness to the needs and concerns of economically disadvantaged and socially challenged communities. In this capacity, she has excelled in exploring, creating and developing synergies between corporations, business, industry, education, and key community-based organizations throughout the region. She is a proven leader that has been successful in developing her banking acumen and career while raising three exceptional children Eliud II, Christie and Mark with her husband, Eliud Custodio.

Being fluent in Spanish and having grown up in the inner city provides Ms. Custodio with a broad perspective of 'community' including sensitivity to diversity, multiculturalism, points of view, and socio-economic issues and concerns needed to perform her duties for such groups as the LI Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, the Long Island Regional Planning Council, Community Development Corp. of Long Island, Childcare Council of Suffolk, Long Island Housing Partnership, Hispanic Brotherhood of Rockville Centre, Long Island Coalition for the Homeless, Urban League of LI, College at Old Westbury Board of Trustees and many others

Her work and advocacy in the greater community has garnered Ms. Custodio with a plethora of honors, awards, and recognition, and deservedly so, from her peers and the broader community. This abundance of recognition is a testament to the influence and positive impact she has on our communities.

Ms. Custodio believes that the strategic alliances she has helped forge over the years have stimulated and continue to sustain economic development as a form of individual empowerment and advancement for both communities and their residents.