

# **Yosef Herrera**

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Seasoned policy strategist with 4+ years of experience in public policy and conservative politics. Proven track record of conducting policy research, advocating for youth-focused legislation, and leading conservative political organizations at the state and national levels. Equipped with a strong background in the public policy industry and conservative grassroots politics.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

### **United States Senate**

#### ***United State Senate Page***

Washington, D.C. | Sep 2023 - Jan 2024

- Selected by Senator John Cornyn to serve as one of 30 United States Senate Pages from across the country in the Fall 2023 Session, and served as the first U.S. Senate Page from the Rio Grande Valley in 60 years and the first Hispanic Page from the Rio Grande Valley.

### **American Legion Boys Nation**

#### ***Boys Nation Senator and Boys Nation Secretary of Homeland Security***

Texas - Washington D.C. | Jul 2024 - Jul 2024

- Was selected from 1071 Texas Boys State Delegates to serve as one of two Boys Nation Senators. Represented Texas in D.C. at the annual Boys Nation program. Met with our U.S. Senators and members of Congress. Re-enacted the Senate and created legislation. Appointed to serve as the Boys Nation Secretary of Homeland Security.

### **High School Republican National Federation**

#### ***National Chair***

U.S.A | Jun 2023 - May 2025

- I was elected to serve as chair of the High School Republican National Federation, where I have expanded the organization to be active in 40+ states, attained 501c4 status, and mobilized 2000+ members for the November presidential election.
- Served on the Advisory board of Project 2025.

### **Heritage Foundation**

#### ***High School Fellow***

Washington, D.C. | Jun 2025 - Jun 2025

- Worked as a High School Fellow at the Heritage Foundation, working on a team to produce a deliverable that was a potential bill.
- Heard from various speakers and leaders at the Heritage Foundation

### **Texas Public Policy Foundation**

#### ***High School Scholar***

Austin, TX | Aug 2024 - Nov 2024

- Selected and served as a high school scholar/policy fellow at the largest state based think tank culminating in completing policy on no knock warrants and graduating the program.

### **Texas Federation of Teenage Republicans**

#### ***Founder and Advisor***

Texas | Oct 2022 - Jun 2025

- Played a large part in flipping various U.S. House and Texas House seats. Members staffed presidential, Senate, and various local campaigns.
- Served as Chairman and Advisor
- Created a state wide grassroots organization for High Schoolers.

- After months of lobbying, the organization was voted in unanimously as a partner of the Republican Party of Texas by the parties governing board.
- Chapters created throughout the state of Texas, totaling over 200+ members

## Hidalgo County Teenage Republicans

*Chair*

Mcallen, TX | Aug 2020 - Jun 2023

- Provided grassroots campaigning support and provided a majority of the campaigning force behind Monica De La Cruz, Mayra Flores, and other local campaigns, helping in their historic wins.
- Served as chair and fundraised for an all expenses paid trip to attend CPAC in Dallas, Texas (1000+ mile round trip).
- Recognized by the RNC, earning the Republican National Committee's Chairman's Champion award, signed by Ronna McDaniel and Elliott Echols and presented by RNC co-chair Tommy Hicks.

## Young Texan Ambassadors

*Ambassador and Leadership Council member*

Rio Grande Valley - Texas | Aug 2024 - May 2025

- I served as a Young Texan Ambassador, where I and 49 other ambassadors from across the State of Texas work to keep Texas beautiful by organizing cleanups and other nature related events.
- I also served on the Leadership Council, where I represented the Rio Grande Valley and led the ambassadors for my region.

## American Youth Association / Texas

*State Policy Director*

Texas | Jul 2024 - May 2025

- Served as the State Policy Director for the nonprofit American Youth Association (AYA). As a state policy director, I oversaw AYA activities in Texas and worked with legislators to ensure the passage of legislation that benefits the youth.

## STISD Science Academy

*Class President - Student Council VP - Student Ambassador*

Mercedes, TX | Apr 2022 - May 2025

- Elected to serve as Senior Class President, the most prestigious leadership position at Science Academy. Led effort to raise over \$35,000 and completed a 500-mile senior class trip to an amusement park.
- Elected to serve as Student Council Representative and Vice President. Helped raise over \$5,000 over multiple years. Represented the school at the Texas Capitol and successfully negotiated with a member of the Texas House to save the school district's funding.
- Selected by school counselors to serve as an ambassador for the Science Academy. In this capacity, I served by giving tours to new students, parents, and local and state leaders.

## SKILLS

**Policy:** Policy, Nuclear Policy, Border Policy

**Politics:** Politics, Grassroots Politics, National Politics

## EDUCATION

**Cornell University**

Ithaca, New York

*College - Government and Classics*

Aug 2025 - Present