



## **2019 Community Leader Government Award**



**Wilmer Olivencia, Jr.**

Wilmer is the Program Coordinator for Buffalo's Anti-Graffiti & Clean City Programs. Born and raised in the city of Buffalo, he attributes his love of the area and his commitment to action to the examples set by his father, grandfather, and uncles. A father of three, and a proud grandfather, he and his wife have worked to pass this tradition of involvement on to the next generation of Olivencias.

Wilmer leads three divisions in his work with the City; he oversees three divisions: the Mayor's Impact Team, Board-up Team, and Anti-Graffiti Team. His diverse crews are known for prompt responses, high quality work, and outstanding rapport with the people of Buffalo.

For over twenty-five years Wilmer has been active with the Olivencia Community Center, a safe and fun gathering place for children and families. Through the Center he helped lead the local effort to assist Puerto Rico after Hurricane Maria. He is Chair of the Grease Pole Festival, the oldest cultural pride festival in the City, celebrating Puerto Rican heritage and traditions.

For his work to keep our city beautiful and to celebrate its wonderful diversity, the NFJC of WNY proudly presents the 2019 Community Leader Award in Government to Wilmer Olivencia, Jr.



*"...a just community begins with me!"*

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