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Vince Puente is a proud native and resident of Fort Worth, Texas. He is a small business owner, who understands the balance of creating value for his clients, teammates and the community. He understands the importance of making payrolls, timely payments to his vendors and a respectable bottom-line to invest in the future. More importantly he believes the Lord and family come first and foremost.

Mr. Puente received his formal education via Fort Worth ISD and the University of Texas at Arlington. Early in his career, Mr. Puente immersed himself in education related to his skill set and industry field. It soon became apparent that this pursuit of education would be one of his ongoing, lifetime passions. As he took on additional responsibilities within **SOS**, he pursued personal education in each area. One prime example is that of marketing and advertising. With no formal education in these areas, it is safe to say Mr. Puente has built the **SOS** “brand”, resulting in **SOS** being one of the most recognizable companies in North Texas. In addition, **SOS** has received national recognition within its industry and the business community.

Mr. Puente is one who believes in active participation within his community. Currently he serves as Chairman of the **Tarrant Appraisal District** (TAD) and **Texas Values** Board of Directors. He recently rolled off the Board of Directors of the **Finance Commission of Texas** (Governor Abbott appointee), **YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas** and **Congresswoman Kay Granger’s** Hispanic Advisory Council. Mr. Puente has been previously named as Businessman of the Year for the Texas Association of Mexican American Chambers of Commerce, an Aflac Civic Leader, an Honoree for The Father of the Year Awards and State of Texas Small Business Champion.

When asked what accomplishments he feels represent his vision for excellence, one he will cite is **SOS Plaza**. This is the home of his companies, Southwest Office Systems, Inc. and Puente Brothers Investments. It is a 39,000 sq. ft., Class A facility on 2.5 acres across from the American Airlines World HQ. The document technology industry considers **SOS Plaza** to be one of the best in the nation. But what is truly amazing is that his companies and **SOS Plaza** are entirely debt-free.

However, Vince is not all business. He will tell you it is his **wife, Mona, and his kids, Vincent, Jr. and Lindsay, of which he is most proud.** His family is far more important to him than any business accomplishment he could ever desire. Vince and Mona are active members of their local Church and engaged in multiple organizations that touch our community throughout Tarrant County and the Great State of Texas!

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Principal Owner of:

- ❑ Southwest Office Systems, Inc. ❑ Puente Brothers Investments, LLC ❑ Harvison / Puente ETAL

Current Areas of Service:

- ❑ Tarrant Appraisal District (TAD) – Chairman - *Board of Directors*
- ❑ Texas Values – *Board of Directors*

Prior Areas of Service:

- ❑ Finance Commission of Texas – *Commissioner, Governor Abbott Appointee*
- ❑ YMCA of Metropolitan Dallas – *Executive Board of Directors*
- ❑ Congresswoman Kay Granger - *Hispanic Advisory Council*
- ❑ Dallas Regional Chamber – *Director/Executive Committee; Chair Small Business Initiative*
- ❑ Greater Irving Chamber of Commerce - *Director/Executive Committee, Chair Education Committee*
- ❑ North Dallas Chamber of Commerce – *Board of Directors*
- ❑ Big Brothers Big Sisters Lone Star – *Executive Board of Directors*
- ❑ Tarrant County Christian Prayer Breakfast - *Board of Directors, Secretary*
- ❑ Fort Worth Chamber – *Director/Executive Committee, Chair Local Business Development Committee*
- ❑ Texas Christian University – *Chancellor's Advisory Council*
- ❑ Casa Mañana Theatre – *Board of Directors*
- ❑ Camp Thurman – *Board of Directors and Immediate Past-President*
- ❑ Mercy Med-Flight – *Board of Directors*
- ❑ Congressman Joe Barton – *Hispanic Advisory Council*
- ❑ Fort Worth Hispanic Chamber of Commerce – *Board of Directors and Past Chairman*
- ❑ Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce – *Chair, Entrepreneur Investor Partner Committee*
- ❑ Texas Association of Mexican American Chamber of Commerce (TAMACC) – *Delegate*
- ❑ North Texas Commission – *Board of Directors*

Personal Recognition:

- ❑ Father of the Year Awards - *Honoree*
- ❑ Aflac Civic Leaders Award
- ❑ Texas Association of Mexican American Chambers of Commerce - *"Business Man of the Year"*
- ❑ Jewish Council for Public Affairs – *Israel Institute for Hispanic American Leaders*
- ❑ ESCR Bosslift – *Military Base Tours*

Company Recognition:

- ❑ Plains Capitol - *Well Managed Family Business of the Year Award*
- ❑ US Small Business Administration - *"Director's Choice" Award*
- ❑ Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce - *"Q & E Entrepreneur of the Year" Award* (large company)
- ❑ Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce - *"Small Business of the Year" Award* (large company)
- ❑ North Dallas Chamber of Commerce - *"Small Business of the Year" Award*
- ❑ NCTRCA – *"MBE Business of the Year" Award* (Gold Level)
- ❑ Sharp Electronics - *"Hyakuman Kai Elite" Award* – Received four (4) times
- ❑ OfficeDEALER - *"Elite Dealer" Award* – Received two (2) times
- ❑ TXU/Vistra Energy - *"Gold Star Supplier" Award*