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A defender of the rights of women and immigrants, Marcela created the first local Hispanic newspaper in Charleston in 2005... and followed it up in 2015 by creating the first local Hispanic directory, GuiaLatinaCharleston.com: each one connecting the Hispanic community to others. She also hosts Ritmo Latino, a show featuring Hispanic music, culture, and interviews with Latino singers and songwriters on Ohm Radio 96.3 FM.

EARLY IN HER CAREER, SHE BECAME THE FIRST YOUNG WOMAN IN PERU TO PRODUCE A RADIO NEWS PROGRAM AND SERVE AS A NATIONAL REPORTER AT CHANNEL 5 PANAMERICANA TV.

A MEMBER OF THE FEDERATION OF JOURNALISTS OF PERU, MARCELA HAS SERVED ON THE COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON’S DIVERSITY BOARD AND HISpanic Studies Advisory Board, as well as the boards of the Trident Literacy Association and Trident United Way. She sits now on the latter’s Palmetto Steering Committee. Marcela holds a bachelor’s degree earned in Peru.

1 Solutions to health disparities for immigrants
2 Representation and diversity at local & national political levels

KEY ISSUES