

## CELEBRATE JUNETEENTH

Rutgers University joined the state of New Jersey in its celebration of Juneteenth, with its initial formal observance of the holiday on June 17, 2022.

Additionally, the New Jersey Institute for Social Justice hosted a Juneteenth march and rally for Reparations, Justice & Democracy, in an effort to pass legislation for a Reparations Task Force, close youth prisons, allow same-day voter Registration, and many other causes.

To learn more about the Reparations Task Force, [click here](#).  
To learn more about the goal to close youth prisons, [click here](#).  
To learn more about same-day voter registration, [click here](#).

## RAMP Program Update

RAMP (Rutgers Appreciative Mentoring Program) began as a pilot program sponsored by the IDEA Innovation grant. With this funding and oversight from Dr. James Davy, and his Graduate Assistant, Tatyanna Aponte, RAMP was launched in February 2022.

46 Rutgers University staff members were paired as co-mentors. Two people work together through a mentoring process in which they both take on the roles of Mentor and Mentee.

A second event with rollout plans for a second Co-Mentor teams will be scheduled for September.

To learn more, [click here](#), and to sign up to be a mentor or mentee, [click here!](#)

## WE R STAFF

RU-N Staff Council highlights some of our exceptional staff members & Rutgers alumni.  
Meet Raquel and Diane!



### Raquel Oliveira, Administrative Coordinator, Office of the Dean, SASN

**\*Favorite Comfort Food?**

Sushi for sure!

**\*Favorite Animated Character?**

Tinker Bell!

**\*Person who inspires you?**

Elon Musk.

**\*Favorite thing about summer?**

Driving down the shore & going to the beach & grabbing ice cream!

**\*Pet(s)?**

Yes! A 2 year old goldendoodle named Zoie & a 13 year old Bichon Frise named Snowie!



### Diane Martinez, Adm. Assistance at the Law Clinic

**\*Favorite Comfort Food?**

I love my Arroz con Gandules, Pernil with Yuca y Guneitos en escabeche, a typical plate from Puerto Rico!

**\*Favorite TV show?**

Friends!

FRIENDS

**\*Person who inspires you?**

My mom has been an inspiring woman to look up to. She has experienced so much in life raising 3 kids alone after the death of my dad. She gave up her career to raise my siblings, she has never given up no matter what comes her way. My mom motivates me to continue and never give up, she's my Wonder Woman!

**\*Favorite thing about summer?**

The beach, the pool, & spending a lot of quality time with my kids & family!

**\*Pet(s)?**

Yes! A miniature poodle named Nala and an American Pitbull Terrace named Blue!



## WELCOME TO THE TEAM!



## Congratulations to the Newly Elected Rutgers University-Newark Staff Council Representatives!

- ◆ Priscilla Calderon
- ◆ Jimmy Camacho
- ◆ Mayra Caraballo
- ◆ Laura Chacon
- ◆ Corey Clawson
- ◆ Kevin Cordeiro
- ◆ Eric Fonseca
- ◆ Melissa Hartland
- ◆ Jamie Hendrix
- ◆ Alyssa King
- ◆ Shonda Levine-Ouji
- ◆ Ralph Parone
- ◆ Theresa Tantay-Wilson

