



FLORIDA STATE SENATOR  
**ALEXIS  
CALATAYUD**  
DISTRICT 38



# Community Connection

*Honored to be your voice in Tallahassee!*



## Constituent Spotlight

**John is the owner of Lots of Lox in our very own Village of Palmetto Bay.**

Lots of Lox is a family owned deli that has served the Palmetto Bay community for decades. Three families have owned Lots of Lox. John's family has owned it for 15 years. The Chef has been there for 35 years. Mayor Karyn Cunningham and I visited John to learn more about his deli and experience this staple of the community.

We met some very happy customers who told us that they eat there EVERY breakfast and are happily coming back for lunch.

## Meet the Team

### THIS IS ALIAN, OUR SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR!

Alian A. Collazo is an experienced government relations professional with a diverse background in political strategy, policy development, and community engagement. As Senior Advisor to State Senator Alexis Calatayud, Alian plays a pivotal role in shaping legislative priorities, providing strategic guidance on key policy issues, and overseeing constituent services. His comprehensive understanding of Florida's legislative process, combined with his ability to manage complex operations and communication strategies, has been critical to ensuring the Senator's office operates efficiently and effectively.







## Local Investment

# Keiser University

### NURSING PROGRAMS

Keiser University produces over 3,200 freshly credentialed Florida nurses across the state every year. That is incredible! I toured the Keiser Miami campus to see the powerful simulation labs training the next generation of medical professionals to care for our communities.



## Education Investments

# Early Literacy

### \$500,000 EARLY LEARNING CORP

Looking towards 2025 Legislative Session, many community leaders come together to champion early childhood education affordability for low-income families across the state. Childcare costs are the **SECOND HIGHEST** household expense, besides housing costs, for young families chasing economic upward mobility.



## Community Building

# Future of Mixed Use

### NEXT GENERATION HOUSING OPTIONS

As I visited 10,000 residents running for office, one major challenge our families contend with is, **“Where will my children live? How will they be able to afford to call Miami home?”** I joined Commercial Real Estate experts to discuss the future of Mixed-Use, Mixed-Income, Multi-family housing that reimagines a place for the next generation within underutilized commercial corridors.



# Education for High-Wages

# Spaceport Territory

EDUCATION FOCUSED ON FUTURE OF WORK

Thank you Miami Dade County School Board Member Robert Alonso for visiting to discuss the future of aerospace education & need to create a highly skilled, home grown workforce pipeline for the future of high wage work in Homestead's Spaceport Territory! 🚀



## Local Investment

# CHI - Mammogram

SUPPORT FOR WOMEN'S HEALTHCARE

Over \$800,000 secured for a new Mammogram screener to bring greater access to free or affordable MAMMOGRAMS to the South Dade community at CHI South FL. Every woman deserves early testing and a fair fight to keep her and her loved ones safe from breast cancer.



## Community Quality Time

# CELEBRATING FIU!

FIU RANKED #46 IN THE U.S.

FIU is NOW in the TOP 50 of U.S. Universities. Our FIU is ranked FIRST in the nation for student economic upward mobility. There is no better investment than an FIU Education that crushes generational poverty and propels generational economic growth! 320,000 Alumni strong. LET'S GO FIU!



# Meet your Senator

**Florida State Senator Alexis Calatayud is a champion for generational upward mobility and expanding educational/economic opportunities for Miami-Dade residents.**

Calatayud has passed landmark legislation and funding to support the upward ascent of Floridians toward economic security and self-sufficiency. Her work for you revolves around lowering cost of living and increasing community affordability - from stabilizing and reducing property insurance rates, to expanding attainable housing options, to increasing access to affordable children's health insurance and investment in low-cost early childhood education. She serves as a member of Jackson Memorial System Public Health Trust.

Before her election to the Florida Senate in 2022, the Senator served for over a decade in multiple advocacy, policy, and campaign roles supporting Florida's education champions and advancing transformation education policies. Currently, Senator Calatayud acts as the Community Engagement & Public Policy Liaison for the Miami Dade & Monroe County Early Learning Coalition launching national learning exchanges and building special initiatives.

Previously, she served as Chief Lobbyist and Legislative Affairs Director at the Florida Department of Education during the COVID pandemic where she was responsible for advocating for the future of the education system to the Florida legislature. The Senator served as campaign manager for three Miami state representative races and worked as State Representative Vance Aloupis' Legislative Aide in the Florida House. Calatayud also partnered with regional and national nonprofits to train over 500 university campus' student leaders on state and federal elected official engagement strategies on higher education affordability issues, later developing national programs in Washington D.C. and in Florida. She served two terms as a member of the Board of Trustees for Florida International University, where she received a degree in Political Science and International Relations.




## Constituent Services

**HAPPY TO SERVE!**

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