

Ms. Ira Acharya joined Blood Donors of America (BDA) as a life member and was elected as Executive Board member of BDA, Texas Chapter in 2013. She was assigned with the responsibility of BDA's central board publication activities in 2016 and also with the responsibility of Program Coordinator for BDA's 2nd Convention in 2018, Atlanta, Georgia.

Ms. Ira Acharya came to the USA in 2006. Before coming here, she was involved in various national and international organizations working for the empowerment of women and children from socially disadvantaged communities in Nepal. She has worked as the district level Program Manager of UNDP-Nepal's Microenterprise Development Program and contributed to prepare hundreds of micro-entrepreneurs from socially disadvantaged communities. She has also worked as Enterprise Development Specialist in UK government's Rural Access Program in Nepal. In addition, she has volunteered with non-profit organizations for the cause of needy people.



After coming to USA, she joined Dallas Everest Lions Club (DELCL) in 2008 and was elected as President of the club for 2013-14. In her presidential tenure, she performed many remarkable social welfare activities and expanded the scope of the club to Nepal. Her major contribution, to remember always, is helping Arogya Foundation in Nepal by regularly organizing Kidney Walk event in Dallas and raising fund for the foundation. The foundation is a pioneer non-profit organization in Nepal serving socially disadvantaged kidney patients.

In 2011, Ms. Ira Acharya joined Development for Peace International (DFP International), Hurst, TX to fulfill her desire to work especially for socially disadvantaged orphans, vulnerable children, and women in Nepal. DFP International, a Texas -based non-profit organization, is working in Nepal in that field since 2007. Ms. Ira Acharya was elected as Vice Chairperson of the organization for 2013-17. Presently, she is working as a Program Director of the organization and launching programs in Nepal and the USA.

Ms. Ira Acharya has Master's degree in Economics from Tribhuvan University, Nepal and post-graduate research-oriented study in Women's Work from International Women University/University of Hannover, Germany. She has visited India, The Netherlands, Germany, Spain, France, Luxembourg, and Belgium in her course of study and travel.

Ms. Ira Acharya likes a life with meaning and purpose leading inner satisfaction and finds BDA as the appropriate vehicle to reach that state in life.