



**Guadalupe Ramirez Jr.
Acting Director of Field Operations
Customs and Border Protection
Tucson Field Office**

January 2018, Mr. Guadalupe Ramirez was assigned as the Acting Director of Field Operations. In 2016, he was selected as the Assistant Director Field Operations, Trade, and oversaw Cargo and Agriculture operations within the Tucson Field Office. The Tucson Field Office annually collects \$30 million in revenues, processes 380,000 commercial trucks that transport \$20 billion dollars in trade. In his current position he is responsible for operations and enforcement activities at eight international ports of entry in Arizona, and the processing of 25.2 million travelers; process 8.8 million private vehicles; more than 470,000 commercial conveyances (truck and rail); and \$23.6 billion in international trade each year.

Mr. Ramirez began his government career in 1985 with the U.S. Border Patrol as an agent in Eagle Pass, Texas. In 1987, he transferred to the U.S. Customs Service as an Inspector at the Port of El Paso, Texas. In 1992, he was promoted to Supervisory Customs Inspector (Instructor) at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center.

In 1995, Mr. Ramirez was appointed as an International Trade Specialist. He conducted in-depth analysis of trade data and developed strategies designed to address non-compliance of U.S. Customs laws, rules and regulations. In 1999, Mr. Ramirez was assigned to the Office of International Affairs as a Customs Advisor to the country of Trinidad and Tobago. He assisted companies establish businesses in Trinidad and Tobago.

In August 2001, Mr. Ramirez was selected as the Port Director of Santa Teresa, New Mexico which experienced a 300% growth in traffic and narcotic interdiction. In 2004, he returned to the Office of International Affairs as a Customs Advisor working at the U.S. Embassy in Caracas, Venezuela. In 2006, he was selected as the Assistant Port Director for Passenger Operations at the Port of Laredo, Texas. Mr. Ramirez has also served as the Port Director of Nogales, Arizona from 2009 to 2016.