



Shefali Razdan Duggal

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[Indian-American 'most powerful' woman in California](#)



[CLICK HERE TO WATCH THE NEWS](#) Shefali Razdan Duggal, a top [Indian-American](#) fundraiser at President Barack [Obama's](#) re-election [campaign](#), has made it to a prestigious list of the "most powerful and influential women" of California.

40-year-old Shefali, also a member of [Obama's](#) Presidential Partners, National [Finance Committee](#) (NFC) and Northern California [Finance Committee](#), will be formally recognised at a ceremony on February 2.

National Diversity Council, a [non-profit](#) organisation which champions [diversity in workplace](#) and communities, has chosen Shefali as one of the "2012 Most Powerful and Influential Women of California".

She is among the top fundraisers for Obama's re-election campaign and raised between [USD](#) 50,000 and [USD](#) 100,000. Regarding the honour, Shefali told PTI, "I am absolutely humbled and honoured to have been undeservedly recognised for my efforts within the Democratic [Party](#)."

"The National Diversity Council is a prestigious and well-reputed organisation, and I am very grateful to have been considered amongst such a meaningful [group](#) of individuals who were nominated, all of which were exceedingly talented."

"I am deeply appreciative of the award and I will attempt, to the best of my ability, to strive towards being [helpful](#), in some small way, to the larger community of which we live," Shefali, who is also a member of the Democratic National [Committee](#), Asian-American [Leadership](#) Council and the DNC

community of which we live," Shefali, who is also a member of the Democratic National [Committee](#), Asian-American [Leadership](#) Council and the DNC National Steering Committee, said.

Originally from India, Shefali has been raised in Cincinnati, Chicago, [New York](#) and Boston. She received an MA in Political [Communication](#) from New York [University](#) and a BS in Mass Communication from Miami University . Earlier, Shefali, a mother of two, had been active in Senator Obama's 2008 Presidential campaign and had also been associated with Senator Hillary Clinton's Presidential campaign where she was a member of the campaign's Northern California Steering Committee and the Women for Hillary Committee.

Apart from being committed to political advocacy, Shefali has worked towards bridging the gap between India and United States and her focus is on invigorating the South Asian Community to become increasingly involved and devoted to the political process.