

- Served as a City Councilman from 2001-2005
- First elected Mayor of San Antonio in 2009
- In 2014 President Barack Obama named Castro as the 16th Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.
- In his current role, Castro oversees 8,000 employees, a budget of \$46 billion and has branded HUD as the Department of Opportunity.
- Utilizing an evidence-based management style, he has charged the Department with one goal: giving every person, regardless of their station in life, the opportunity to compete in the 21st century global economy.
- Under Castro's leadership, the Federal Housing Administration lowered mortgage insurance premiums to make homeownership more affordable for responsible families.
- HUD also released its new Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing Rule to fulfill the full promise of the Fair Housing Act — helping families access strong neighborhoods and empowering local leaders with new tools to invest in their communities.
- In July of 2015, President Obama helped launch one of Secretary Castro's signature projects, ConnectHome, which accelerates Internet adoption in 28 communities, providing broadband and electronic devices to children living in public and assisted housing.
- Throughout his tenure as Mayor of San Antonio, Castro devoted his time to improving educational outcomes and positioning San Antonio as a leader in economic development.
- He created SA2020, a community-wide visioning effort turned nonprofit that has galvanized thousands of San Antonians around a simple but powerful vision for San Antonio—to create a brainpower community that is the liveliest city in the nation.
- In 2010, he launched the “Decade of Downtown”, an initiative to spark investment in San Antonio's center city and older neighborhoods.

- In 2010, Castro was named to the World Economic Forum's list of Young Global Leaders and Time magazine placed him on its "40 under 40" list of rising stars in American politics.
- Under his leadership, the city established Café College, a one-stop center offering high-quality guidance on college admissions, financial aid and standardized test preparation to any student in the San Antonio area.
- During his tenure, San Antonio ranked No. 1 on the Milken Institute's Best-Performing Cities list, graded A+ for doing business by Forbes and ranked as the nation's No. 3 new tech hotspot by Forbes.
- In November 2012, Mayor Castro led a voter-approved public referendum that will expand high-quality Pre-K services to more than 22,000 San Antonio four-year-olds over the next eight years.
- Castro earned his undergraduate degree from Stanford University with honors and distinction in 1996 and a juris doctorate from Harvard Law School in 2000. In 2001, at the age of 26, Castro became the youngest elected city councilman at that time in San Antonio history.
- He and his wife, Erica, have a daughter, Carina and a son, Cristian.