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Despite all the wins we've experienced as a community, poverty remains a persistent and urgent problem in Greenville County.

Join Women United in generously supporting United Way and make sure women in our community have the resources they need to build the life they deserve.

# WELCOME TO THE WOMEN UNITED SUMMIT

We are excited to have you with us for our inaugural Women United Summit, a day dedicated to empowering Greenville County women to lead the way in our community.

Today's summit has been carefully curated to bring together women from diverse backgrounds, industries, and experiences. It is a platform for us to learn and grow as we embrace our unique strengths and forge new connections. We hope you will find inspiration, knowledge, and camaraderie in every moment.

Our amazing lineup of speakers and facilitators will guide you through some thought-provoking discussions, skill-building sessions, and interactive workshops, ensuring you leave with valuable insights and practical takeaways. We encourage you to actively participate, ask questions, and engage with fellow attendees. Remember, the strength of this summit lies in the collective wisdom and experiences of all those here.

Whether you are a seasoned professional, an aspiring entrepreneur, a community leader, or simply someone seeking inspiration (or all of the above), there is something here for everyone. Let us harness the power of every woman here to uplift one another, break down barriers, and pave the way for future generations of women to succeed.

**This is what United Way of Greenville County's Women United is all about.**

We are a powerful group of women who are passionate about creating opportunities so everyone in our community can achieve

their full potential. Today, you'll hear more about the impact of the Jobs to Careers Scholarship, one of Women United's signature initiatives. This unique scholarship program has changed the lives of more than 50 women, supporting them in their journey from paycheck-to-paycheck jobs to higher paying career opportunities. If you are not already a member of Women United, we invite you to join us to transform the lives of even more Greenville County women.

Finally, today's event would not be possible without our sponsors, volunteer presenters, vendors and the Women United Council and Summit planning committee. We thank you for your support of United Way and continued partnership. United, we will achieve great things.

Have a wonderful summit!

**Meghan Barp**

*President and CEO*

*United Way of Greenville County*

**Joanie Martin**

*Chair, Women United Council*

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*Chair, Women's Summit Committee*

# Agenda

**7:30 – 8:30 a.m.**                      **Registration Check-In & Breakfast Buffet**

**8:30 – 9:15 a.m.**                      **Welcome & Opening Remarks**

Meghan Barp, *President and CEO, United Way of Greenville County*

**Reading of "We Rise" by Amanda Gorman**

Jayda Sullivan, *Students in Action: Greenville County Schools*

**Jobs to Careers Scholarship**

Katie Clark, *Hubbell, Incorporated*

Nicolata McKenzie, *Fagen Engineering*

**Roundtable Discussions**

**9:15 – 9:25 a.m.**                      **Break**

**9:25 – 10:05 a.m.**                      **Workshop Session I**

▶ Why Women Aren't Winning at Health (But Can), *Room 202 A*

▶ Accelerating Your Career Through Self Awareness, *Room 202 B*

▶ Advocacy Spotlight: Childcare Panel, *Room 202 C*

**10:05 – 10:15 a.m.**                      **Break**

**10:15 – 11:00 a.m.**                      **Workshop Session II**

▶ Women's Mental Health: Resilience & Empowerment, *Room 202 A*

▶ Embracing Intergenerational Communication, *Room 202 B*

▶ Women and Wealth: The Great Wealth Transfer Panel, *Room 202 C*

**11:00 – 11:10 a.m.**

**Break**

**11:10 – 11:50 a.m.**

**Workshop Session III**

- ▶ Diversity, Equity & Inclusion in the Workplace, *Room 202 A*
- ▶ The Power of the Pivot: Pursuing a Life You (Actually) Want to Live, *Room 202 B*
- ▶ Lessons in Leadership Panel, *Room 202 C*

**11:50 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Break**

**12:00 – 1:00 p.m.**

**Women Make a Difference Luncheon**

Coach Dawn Staley joins United Way's Meghan Barp for an inspiring conversation.

**Closing Remarks**

Joanie Martin, *Women United Council Chair*

**1:00 – 2:30 p.m.**

**Networking & Vendor Reception**

# Workshop Descriptions

## WORKSHOP SESSION I

### ► **Why Women Aren't Winning at Health (But Can)** **202 A**

*Presented by Dr. Marjorie Jenkins, University of South Carolina School of Medicine Greenville*

This engaging and transformative workshop is an essential part of our summit, where we strive to equip women with the knowledge and tools they need to thrive in all aspects of their lives. Far beyond mere fitness routines or diet plans, we will explore and foster a holistic understanding of women's bodies and how to nurture and celebrate their unique strengths. Join us for this inspiring and empowering workshop, where we aim to strengthen the physical foundation that allows women to flourish in every aspect of their lives. Together, let's embrace the power within and build a community of strong, confident and healthy women!

### ► **Accelerating Your Career Through Self-Awareness** **202 B**

*Presented by Beth Veach, Entrepreneur Acumen*

Are you looking to take your career to new heights and stand out in today's competitive job market? What is the correlation between self-awareness and career fulfillment? Join us for an empowering workshop designed to equip you with essential tools and strategies to help you reach your professional aspirations. Come connect with like-minded women, gain valuable skills, and leave feeling inspired to accelerate your career to new heights.

### ► **Advocacy Spotlight: Childcare** **202 C**

*Panelists include: Dr. Kirsten Naomi Chapman, United Way of Greenville County (moderator); Deborah DePaoli, Institute for Child Success; Derek Lewis, Greenville First Steps; Dr. Kerry Sease, Prisma Health*

Childcare is not merely a parental concern; it is a societal imperative that profoundly impacts women's professional growth and empowerment. Join us for an insightful panel workshop as we shine a spotlight on advocacy efforts aimed at revolutionizing childcare systems to uplift women in their pursuit of professional success and work-life balance.



As women continue to shatter glass ceilings in various professional fields, one critical aspect often remains overlooked: The challenge of balancing career aspirations with caregiving responsibilities. Accessible, affordable and high-quality childcare solutions are vital to enabling women to thrive both personally and professionally. This panel workshop will delve into the crucial role of advocacy in reshaping childcare policies and services, exploring the diverse benefits of empowering women through enhanced childcare support.

## **WORKSHOP SESSION II**

### **▶ Women's Mental Health: Resilience & Empowerment** **202 A**

*Presented by Dr. Anna Baker, Clemson University*

In the fast-paced and demanding world we live in, women often face unique challenges that can impact their mental well-being. Balancing personal and professional responsibilities, navigating societal expectations, and dealing with gender-specific stressors can all take a toll on mental health. This workshop aims to equip women with practical tools and knowledge to enhance their mental well-being, build resilience and thrive in all aspects of life.

Participants will gain valuable insights and tools to take charge of their mental health, embrace their strengths, and build resilience to overcome challenges. By fostering a supportive community and promoting mental well-being, we believe women can unlock their full potential and thrive both personally and professionally. Together, we can create a powerful movement that uplifts women across all spheres of life.

### **▶ Embracing Intergenerational Communication** **202 B**

*Presented by Kamber Parker, The YoPro Know*

There are five working generations in the workplace right now. Learning why generations act based on their behaviors and upbringing will give you an advantage in your industry and business culture. This session is for those in all fields and leadership positions. You'll be taught useful tools to better communicate with your talent, spanning from your

young professional employees to the most seasoned and experienced professionals in the office. We'll cover generational data on the five working generations' communication preferences, as well as tools to connect with other generations in the workplace, and will workshop your challenges and successes with communication in your workplace. Whether you are looking for training focused on managing young professionals or need support with communicating with all generations, we will help your business shift its mindset from not just keeping your young professional talent, but raising the next generation of leaders.

▶ **Women and Wealth: The Great Wealth Transfer** **202 C**

*Panelists include: UBS Financial Services' Katie Schuba (moderator), Laura Moore and Nicole Herman*

Are you ready to seize the reins of your financial future? Join us for a transformative workshop designed specifically for ambitious and forward-thinking women. As we stand on the cusp of one of the most significant wealth transfers in history, this workshop aims to equip women with the knowledge, skills and confidence to navigate the financial landscape, capitalize on opportunities, and create a lasting legacy for generations to come. Join us for "Women and Wealth: The Great Wealth Transfer" and unlock the power of financial knowledge and empowerment. Together, we will shatter glass ceilings and pave the way for a brighter, wealthier future for women everywhere.

### **WORKSHOP SESSION III**

▶ **Diversity, Equity & Inclusion in the Workplace** **202 A**

*Presented by Tiffane Thompson Davis, Michelin North America*

In this workshop, we will explore the vital role of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) in the workplace and its profound impact on women's professional development. The session aims to foster a deeper understanding of the importance of creating an inclusive environment where diversity is celebrated, enabling women to thrive and excel in their careers. Through discussions, case studies and practical

exercises, participants will gain valuable insights and tools to champion DEI initiatives, promote positive change and build a more inclusive workplace. By the end of this workshop, participants will have the knowledge and inspiration to lead the charge for change, fostering a diverse and inclusive work environment where every woman can thrive and achieve her full potential.

▶ **The Power of the Pivot:  
Pursuing a Life You (Actually) Want to Live** **202 B**

*Presented by Rhiannon Poore, Forge Search*

Do you ever look at the life you're living today and wonder how you got there or wish for something different? You're not alone. Countless women share these feelings of frustration.

In this interactive and deeply practical session, we'll explore identifying the unique elements that bring you fulfillment and build a roadmap to the life you genuinely desire. What does your ideal life look like, and what steps can you take to make it a reality? We'll translate this awareness into tangible, intentional steps toward your long-term goals. By the end of our session, you'll leave with a Values Map — a powerful tool to guide your future decisions and steer you towards a life that's truly fulfilling and deeply meaningful.

▶ **Lessons in Leadership Panel:  
Unveiling the Path to Success** **202 C**

*Panelists include: Wendy Walden, Greenville Technical College (moderator); Meliah Bowers Jefferson, Wyche, P.A. and The Jolley Foundation; Dr. Caroline Caldwell, New Mind Health and Care; Courtney Abraham, Current Lighting*

In today's rapidly changing world, the significance of women's leadership and empowerment has never been greater. We proudly present "Lessons in Leadership," a panel workshop bringing together exceptional women leaders from diverse industries to share their insights, experiences and strategies for success. Join us for an inspiring and transformative

session aimed at unlocking the true potential of women leaders and fostering a supportive community of empowerment.

This enriching and dynamic workshop aims to explore the journey of successful women leaders, highlighting their challenges, triumphs and the invaluable lessons they have learned along the way. By delving into their experiences, the panelists will shed light on the various facets of leadership, from effective communication and decision-making to embracing authenticity and fostering diversity. You will leave this session with the tools, knowledge and motivation to embark on a journey of successful leadership. By sharing their wisdom and experiences, our esteemed panelists aim to catalyze positive change in the lives of attendees, fostering a future where women thrive as influential leaders in all spheres of society. Together, we will break barriers, shatter stereotypes and pave the way for a more inclusive and equitable world.

# Vendor Exhibition

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United Way's ReUNITED

United Way's Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) + 211

United Way's Women United

United Way's Young Leaders Society (YLS)

University of South Carolina (USC) Upstate Greenville

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# Speaker Bios



▶ **Courtney Abraham**

*Chief Human Resources Officer, Current*

Courtney Abraham is the Chief Human Resources Officer at Current. She has led the integration of GE Current, a Daintree Company, and the C&I division of Hubbell Lighting since February 2022. Having worked in public, private and private equity-run businesses, her 25 years of experience as an innovative, results-oriented global executive experienced in cultural transformation allow her to cross industries and workforce generations. Previously, she served as the Chief People Officer at AML RightSource as well as SVP of Global Talent Management with The Adecco Group.

Courtney's leadership is characterized by optimism, authenticity and purpose-driven values. Having lived in more than 10 states within the USA and an expatriate assignment in Zurich, Switzerland, Courtney and her family now reside in Greenville, SC. She was a previous board member of the Jacksonville Women's Leadership Forum and an Advisory Executive with the American Heart Association, Go Red for Women, Jacksonville.



▶ **Dr. Anna Baker**

*Assistant Professor of Psychology,  
Clemson University*

Dr. Anna Baker is Assistant Professor of Psychology at Clemson University, having previously served in the same role at Bucknell University. Dr. Baker completed her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology with a concentration in anxiety disorders from Louisiana State University.

Prior to her doctoral training, Dr. Baker completed her undergraduate studies in psychology at the University of Florida and received a master's degree in psychology from New York University. Dr. Baker completed

a clinical internship at the University of Mississippi Medical Center/ Sonny Montgomery VA and received training during both her doctoral work and internship in evidence-based child/adolescent assessment and treatment, as well as evidence-based treatment of adult anxiety, depression, and substance use disorders in both individual and group formats. She specialized in pediatric disorders comorbid with chronic health conditions and has done inpatient treatment, as well as consult and liaison services. After her internship, she completed a postdoctoral fellowship at Johns Hopkins School of Medicine specializing in adherence.

Dr. Baker has extensive research experience in both pediatric and adult populations with a particular focus on behavioral medicine and health psychology. Her work focuses on the dissemination and implementation of evidence-based assessments and treatments in the community and in healthcare systems.



► **Meliah Bowers Jefferson**

*Executive Director of the Jolley Foundation and a Member of Wyche, P.A.*

Meliah Bowers Jefferson is Executive Director of the Jolley Foundation and a Member of Wyche, P.A. with more than 17 years of experience in the areas of litigation and mediation. She also engages in pro bono legal service initiatives as an advocate for equal access to justice, including privacy protections for victims of sexual and domestic violence and the equitable treatment of people with disabilities.

Meliah currently serves on the boards of the Greenville Chamber of Commerce and the Greenville Theatre. A survivor of a heart attack in 2013, Meliah has engaged in lobbying efforts on Capitol Hill and in the South Carolina General Assembly, spoken at multiple events on issues related to women's health and health equity, and appeared in national and local media to raise public awareness for the importance of heart health.

She is a Liberty Fellow, a Fellow of the Furman University Riley Institute Diversity Leaders Initiative, and a graduate of Leadership Greenville, and has been recognized as one of Greenville Business Magazine's 50 Most Influential. She is a magna cum laude graduate of the University of South Carolina Darla Moore School of Business, and earned her law degree from the University of South Carolina School of Law.



► **Dr. Caroline Caldwell**

*Founder and Director of New Mind Health and Care*

Caroline Caldwell, Ph.D. (ABD) is the founder and director of New Mind Health and Care, providing free specialized behavioral modification services to individuals, families and children affected by incarceration or criminal histories. She is also the sole proprietor of ReFlight LLC, a consulting firm providing behavioral and life coaching services to organizations to improve employee function, retention and the development of positive work culture. She has more than 20 years of experience as a clinical health therapist and 10 years of experience as a Federal Officer.

Caroline is a fierce advocate for marginalized groups including LGBTQ+, QPOC and returning citizens. She currently serves on the boards of Upstate Pride SC, 864 PRIDE, Upstate SC LGBT Chamber of Commerce, Infinite Possibilities, Olive Branch Project, Greenville Reentry Coalition, USC LGBTQ+ Advisory Council and United Way of Greenville County.

Caroline is a certified life coach and an ordained minister with the Universal Life Church Ministries. She is the co-organizer and curator of TEDxHeritageGreen and has been a TEDxGreenville speaker, curator and strategic team member for more than 11 years. Caroline is a professional public speaker and life coach.





► **Deborah DePaoli**

*Palmetto Engagement and Policy Director at the Institute for Child Success (ICS)*

Deborah DePaoli serves as Palmetto Engagement and Policy Director at the Institute for Child Success (ICS), where she informs its policy and research portfolio and focuses on direct family engagement. Deborah started her career in public education and community development at the age of 17, working with migrant farmworkers and their children in Southern California. She served for years as a public school teacher and administrator working with marginalized students: second language learners, underresourced preschoolers, and the children of low-wage earners. Prior to joining ICS, Deborah was South Carolina State Manager for the Save the Children Action Network.

Deborah has now lived in South Carolina for 18 years and currently works for Institute for Child Success engaging with families, agencies and elected officials to advocate for children. Equity in education, access to political power, and real opportunities for establishing generational wealth are some of the issues that Deborah is most passionate about.



► **Nicole Herman**

*Relationship Manager, UBS*

Nicole Herman began her career at UBS in 2015 and currently serves as Relationship Manager through the Women's Segment team. Nicole works closely with clients, prospects, and Advisors to further the Women's Segment objective of establishing UBS as the firm of choice for women by addressing their unique needs and helping them achieve their financial goals over their lifetimes. She focuses on driving and executing major strategic initiatives, including the development of the team's groundbreaking thought leadership, Own Your Worth. Nicole

is also responsible for large-scale sponsorships and the team's P&L statements, Advisor and client tracking, measurement, and analysis.

Outside of work, Nicole has a personal passion for travel and food, often combining both through various global adventures. She enjoys quality time with family, attending local concerts, and spending time outdoors hiking or at the beach.



► **Dr. Marjorie Jenkins**

*Associate Provost at the University of South Carolina, Dean and Professor of Internal Medicine of the USC School of Medicine Greenville, and Chief Academic Officer for Prisma Health-Upstate*

Prior to joining the University of South Carolina in 2019, Dr. Jenkins was a tenured professor of medicine and associate dean at Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center and founder and Chief Scientific Officer of the Laura W. Bush Institute for Women's Health. By invitation of the U.S. FDA, she served from 2015 to 2019 as the director of medical and scientific initiatives for the Office of Women's Health.

Throughout her career, Dr. Jenkins has developed a sex and gender women's health fellowship program, launched the inaugural US Sex and Gender Education Summit in 2018, served as a consultant for the NASA sex and gender decadal review, helped found the Sex and Gender Women's Health Collaborative, and performed expert advisory roles within NIH and HRSA.

In addition to her many journal publications, she led the development of the signature textbook in this space, *How Sex and Gender Impact Clinical Practice: An Evidence-Based Guide to Patient Care*, published by Elsevier (2020), and has co-authored two consumer books.

Dr. Jenkins has presented world-wide on the topic of sex and gender research and clinical care and has been recognized with numerous

awards for her work in sex and gender education, research, clinical care, and health policy.



▶ **Derek Lewis**

*Executive Director, Greenville First Steps*

Derek Lewis is Executive Director of Greenville First Steps, a local nonprofit that funds school readiness strategies in Greenville County—including parenting programs, early literacy and efforts to expand access to quality childcare.

Over the past 15 years, Greenville First steps has provided more than \$30 million in funding for school readiness strategies throughout the community.

Derek recently completed an eight-year stint as an elected member of the Greenville County School Board of Trustees and sits on the boards of Greater Good Greenville, Communities in Schools SC and the SC Children’s Theatre. Derek also serves as a gubernatorial appointee to the SC Joint Citizens and Legislative Committee on Children. He was a member of Greenville Chamber of Commerce’s Leadership Greenville Class 36 as well as a member of Leadership South Carolina. He was named one of Greenville’s Best and Brightest 35 and Under in 2009. Derek lives in Greenville with his wife Hedrick and son William.



▶ **Laura Moore**

*Financial Advisor, UBS*

Laura Moore is a Financial Advisor at UBS as a part of the Sorensen Moore Group, which she formed with Steve Sorensen in 2015 after working in the public relations industry. Together, Laura and Steve offer a holistic approach when providing advice to clients regardless of their life

stage or current financial situation. In addition to recommending financial strategies tailored to each client's goals, they assist in transferring wealth to the next generation. Their process is designed to deliver a customized, consistent experience that goes beyond wealth management to help address clients' life priorities.

As a Greenville native, Laura enjoys being active in the local community. She currently serves on the board of Greenville Women Giving. In the past, she served on the board of the Greenville chapter of Accounting & Financial Women's Alliance and The Rotary Club of Greenville, where she was awarded the 2017-2018 Rotarian of the Year. She was also named one of Greenville's Best & Brightest 35 and Under in 2018.

Laura and her husband, Andrew, attend and are involved at Grace Church downtown. Outside of work, you can find her spending time with her husband and two young daughters, Eliza and Mallie.



► **Kamber Parker**

*Founder, The YoPro Know*

Voted as Young Professional of the Year for the Greenville Chamber in 2021, Small Business of the Year in 2022, and recently awarded the SC Women In Business Award, speaker and consultant Kamber Parker started her company The YoPro Know in 2018 as a platform designed

to be the bridge between ambitious young professionals and the companies that wish to attract them and most importantly, retain them.

Kamber has spent the last five years interviewing thousands of young professionals identifying their key struggles, successes, and ultimately, ways to make them more successful in the workplace. Her business offers consulting services for companies looking to increase young professional recruitment (attract talent), retention, and engagement, and she is passionate about supporting workforce development efforts.



▶ **Rhiannon Poore**

*Founder and CEO, Forge Search + Consulting*

Rhiannon Poore is the Founder and CEO of Forge Search + Consulting, a boutique professional recruiting firm headquartered in Greenville. She has more than 15 years of experience in talent acquisition, business development, marketing and talent development. Rhiannon previously led talent acquisition at Elliott Davis, where she created and scaled the first experienced recruiting department for the 800-person Southeastern public accounting firm. She also spent nearly 10 years in external recruiting at Find Great People (FGP).

Entrepreneurial at heart, Rhiannon has been recognized as Greenville’s “Best and Brightest” and FGP’s “Top Biller of the Year.” Rhiannon graduated with honors from Bob Jones University with a B.A. in English & Communications and a M.A. in English. She is deeply involved in the community, having served with United Way of Greenville County’s Young Leaders Society and on the organization’s board of directors, the Center for Developmental Services, and other area charities. When she’s not at work, you can find Rhiannon in the kitchen experimenting with new recipes, running on the Swamp Rabbit Trail or playing with her two children.



▶ **Dr. Kirsten Naomi Rogers Chapman**

*Vice President of Systems Change & Innovation at United Way of Greenville County*

Dr. Kirsten Naomi Rogers Chapman is Vice President of Systems Change & Innovation at United Way of Greenville County, leading efforts to remove barriers in housing, childcare, education and transportation for low-income residents through public policy and advocacy, as well as narrative strategy. Kirsten Naomi is a tenacious systems entrepreneur obsessed with designing

our social systems that better support children and youth. A lifelong educator and learner, Kirsten Naomi's experience includes teaching 12-year-olds, building statewide school accountability systems and developing nonprofit strategy.

Driven by insatiable curiosity, she enjoys learning about plant intelligence, quantum physics and cephalopods in her free time. You can find her finishing puzzles and debating strategy with her partner, Scott, at their dining room table. One day, she hopes to fulfill her childhood dream: hunting (and finding!) a real dinosaur bone.



► **Katie Schuba**

*Market Director, UBS*

Katie Schuba serves as the Market Director for UBS in South Carolina and is responsible for leading the Greenville Wealth Management business. She has a passion for helping teams grow their practices and deliver resources to clients. Prior to relocating to South Carolina, Katie held a variety of roles in leadership and business development including Divisional Digital Specialist and Assistant Market Head for the Midwest Private Wealth Market.

A native of Lexington, Kentucky, Katie graduated magna cum laude from DePaul University with a degree in Finance and a minor in Accounting. Katie is happiest spending time with her husband, Matthew, and baby boy Charlie. Outside of work, she enjoys travel, modern dance and rock climbing.



▶ **Dr. Kerry Sease**

*Medical Director, Prisma Health Children's Hospital Bradshaw Institute for Community Child Health & Advocacy*

Dr. Sease currently serves as the Medical Director for Prisma Health Children's Hospital Bradshaw Institute for Community Child Health & Advocacy where she oversees the Pediatric Community Health Needs Assessment and Implementation Plan, as well as leads the Institute in meeting its vision to create optimal health for all children. She is a practicing clinician with active research and advocacy efforts focused on community health strategies to create healthier, safer communities; enhance health literacy; and increase access to care.

Dr. Sease is a graduate of the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Columbia. She completed her Pediatric training with Prisma Health (formerly Greenville Health System) and went on to continue her training at the Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh where she completed a General Academic Pediatric fellowship. During her fellowship, she also earned her MPH from the University of Pittsburgh School of Public Health.



▶ **Tiffane Thompson Davis**

*Chief Diversity & Inclusion Officer,  
Michelin North America*

Tiffane Thompson Davis is the Chief Diversity & Inclusion Officer for Michelin North America, which encompasses approximately 22,500 employees across Canada and the United States. In this role, she provides strategic and programmatic leadership for diversity and inclusion initiatives, leveraging internal and external resources and best practices.

Tiffane is no stranger to strategy and execution, having spent 20 years as a marketing specialist and leader at a diverse range of companies including 3M, Gartner, Newell Rubbermaid, Tempur-Pedic and Michelin.

She is passionate about helping others build their self-image and confidence to unlock their potential. With her husband Charles, Tiffane recently co-authored a children's book and launched a men's accessories store. Both endeavors are meant to instill confidence in men and boys, leveraging fashion to express themselves and build their personal brands.

Tiffane holds degrees from North Carolina A&T State University, where she earned a degree in Business Management, and the University of Georgia, where she earned her MBA.



▶ **Beth Veach**

*CEO of Entrepreneur Acumen*

Beth Veach is CEO of Entrepreneur Acumen, a career transition and business coaching practice. She assists those in career transition build confidence in determining their next best career step. Working with people and organizations in all phases of idea or business development, her goal is to assist business owners in building a viable and valuable business that they one day can sell or pass on.

Beth has taught in the Innovation and Creativity course of Clemson University's MBA in Entrepreneurship program and has developed and taught entrepreneurship courses in the South Carolina technical college system. Beth is a certified Myers-Briggs administrator, trained in the DISC Behavioral Assessment, and holds a certification in Daniel Goleman's Emotional Intelligence Foundational Skills course.

She is a graduate and Trustee Emerita of Norwich University, recipient of the university's Distinguished Alumna Award, past Chair of the Greenville Area Small Business Development Center Advisory Board, and current member of the boards of the Greenville Chamber Minority Business Accelerator Advisory Council, Carlo and Nika White Foundation, and Gathering of Mountain Eagles. Beth is the Chair of the Coach



and Financial Expert Committee of the Greenville Chamber's Minority Business Accelerator program and is a past recipient of the program's Coach of the Year award.



► **Wendy Walden**

*Associate Vice President of Executive Affairs,  
Greenville Technical College*

Wendy Walden is Associate Vice President of Executive Affairs at Greenville Technical College, responsible for community engagement, inclusive leadership and executive communications. A strong collaborator, her work has resulted in strategic partnerships with leaders across business sectors to create initiatives that impact workforce needs. Ms. Walden blends strategic thinking and compassionate leadership skills to drive innovative programs that encourage a culture of belonging. She inspires others to contribute to a more inclusive organization through college-wide conversations about equity and belonging. Under her leadership, Greenville Technical College has been recognized for its impact on diversity as she has helped position the institution as a premier two-year technical college at the state, regional, and national levels.

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