



Priya Burkett
Community Leader

Priya Burkett is the Director of Strategy and Performance for Xcel Energy. Additionally, she has been recently appointed to head up the Corporate Giving organization for Xcel Energy. She has been in leadership positions with Xcel Energy for the past 13 years in areas including information technology, regulatory, customer care, and electric and gas distribution. She graduated from George Washington University with a double major in finance and information technology. Upon graduation, she obtained a position in New York City working for a multinational consulting firm programming financial systems for investment banks. In 1999, she moved to Denver with a consulting company and subsequently worked for three start-up companies to implement systems and develop business strategy. Priya earned a master's in business administration from the Executive MBA Program at the University of Colorado.

Priya is very active in the community participating in volunteering events and fundraising for nonprofits and political campaigns. Specifically, she is engaged with Dora Moore K-8 Denver Public School, Friends of Manual High School, Lincoln Hills Charitable organizations, Junior Achievement of Metro Denver, Whiz Kids Tutoring, and Big Brothers Big Sisters of Colorado. She has been the co-chair for fundraising for Cleo Parker Robinson Dance for the past three years and currently serves as a board member for the Academy of Urban Learning. She has mentored numerous kids and adults and believes that mentoring is a great way to directly engage with people to provide guidance and to support bettering their lives. Her hobbies include fly fishing, snowboarding, and running. Burkett, her husband, Matthew, and their kids reside in the Five Points neighborhood of Denver.