



Vanecia B. Kerr
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At Denver Public Schools Foundation, we believe that our city is strengthened by every student who graduates ready to lead a successful life. At the DPS Foundation, we invest in accelerating progress, we connect the community to our classrooms, and we inspire confidence in the promise of public education.

Vanecia Kerr is the Chief Impact Officer at Mile High United Way. In her role, she is responsible for developing, leading, and implementing Mile High United Way's program strategy that advances the mission and creates sustainable community impact. This includes overseeing a portfolio of seven programs serving over 5,000 people and grants totaling \$3M+ to our nonprofit community while simultaneously engaging with community, government, and business leaders to ensure continuous evaluation, learning and effectiveness. Prior to joining Majestic, Michael was at the law firm of Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP, representing many owners, developers, lenders, landlords and tenants. He is a graduate of the University of Toledo College of Law and is a member of the State Bar of Colorado.

Prior to joining Mile High United Way, Vanecia served as the Regional Executive Director of College Track Colorado as well as the Managing Director of Marketing, Communications and Development for City Year Denver. Ms. Kerr started her career in the corporate sector and spent over 20 years in a variety of leadership roles. However, it was through her experience in developing and implementing the community relations strategy as the Regional Director of Community Affairs for TIAA-CREF that she was truly inspired to spend the next half of her career dedicated to addressing the needs in our local communities.

Ms. Kerr has been recognized as the 2022 Woman of Impact by the American Heart Association, one of the Top 25 Most Powerful Women by the Colorado Women's Chamber of Commerce (2018) and one of the Outstanding Women in Business by the Denver Business Journal (2018). Currently she serves on the Board of Directors for the Newman Center for Performing Arts, Hope Communities, Denver Metro Chamber Leadership Foundation, and Denver Academy.

Ms. Kerr is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (a public service sorority), The Links Incorporated, International Women's Forum of Colorado, and several other organizations. She received her Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Hampton University in Virginia and a Master's in Public Administration from Baruch College at the City University of New York (CUNY).

In her spare time, she likes to volunteer, serve in her local church, watch movies, and enjoy the many activities that Colorado has to offer with her husband and 20-year-old son.

We know that when our students thrive, our city thrives.