



Priya Burkett
DPS Foundation Board Member since 2015

Priya Burkett currently serves as a community leader in Denver. Just recently, Priya worked as the Director of Business Development for American Express Global Commercial Services. Prior to her time at American Express, she served as the Director of Strategy for Xcel Energy and headed up their Corporate Giving organization, where she worked in leadership positions for more than 13 years.

Priya 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 Schools, 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.