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"Investing in Women's Health"



Tracy DeVriesExecutive Director
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Tracy DeVries is the Executive Director of the Women's Foundation of Mississippi (WFM), the only grant maker in the state focused entirely on women and girls. The Women's Foundation of Mississippi's mission is economic security for women, aggregating resources to provide funding to organizations throughout Mississippi focused on access to education and skills certification, two-generation approaches, and our Healthy Women initiatives. The WFM also conducts research, provides leadership training, and offers community engagement and education sessions because women's voices are needed at every table. She has worked in the nonprofit sector since 1999, working previously as a fundraiser at Special Olympics International and leading the corporate and foundation channels at the national headquarters of the American Red Cross. In addition to her role in developing mutually beneficial corporate alliances during her time at Special Olympics, she also oversaw a federal grant to promote social inclusion in schools across the United States, worked on providing health programs to individuals with intellectual disabilities throughout North America, created a family support network, and focused on organizational development through leadership and board training, and the creation of fundraising plans.

Tracy's volunteer activities include fostering rescue dogs, teaching English as a Second Language, and coaching soccer. She serves on the Board of Directors for the Mississippi Low-Income Child-Care Initiative and the Animal Rescue Fund of Mississippi. She's previously been certified as a trainer for BoardSource. Tracy is originally from northern Virginia, a graduate of Michigan State University, and lived in Washington, DC for most of her professional life. She moved to Jackson, Mississippi in the fall of 2016 where she lives with her husband, Tony, and their four rescue dogs.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2019
12:00 pm − 1:00 pm | Student Union (Ballrooms C & D)

Lunch served on a first come, first served basis



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