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***Keeping the Doors Open: Sustainability Tips for Fatherhood Programs***

## Presenter Bios

### **Michelle Foster, Ph.D., President and CEO, The Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation (TGKVF)**

Michelle has been President and CEO of TGKVF since February 2016. During that time, she has focused on developing an impact measurement framework to help the Foundation and its donors fully understand the social return on their community investments. Prior to joining TGKVF, Michelle was the CEO of the Kanawha Institute for Social Research and Action, Inc. (KISRA) for 18 years and a chemical engineer at Union Carbide (now Dow) for five years. She has a doctorate in community economic development (CED) and two master's degrees - one in CED and another in engineering management. She is also a certified economic development financial professional and a certified housing development financial professional.

### **Andrew Freeberg, Ph.D., Director of Community Programs, Goodwill-Easter Seals Minnesota**

Andrew has more than 15 years of experience in developing, implementing, and managing community-based services designed to help low-income individuals and families in Minnesota achieve personal and economic stability. The end goal of this work is to reduce recidivism, disparities, and dependence on public benefits. Andrew currently oversees re-entry, responsible fatherhood, FAST, and TANF services (known locally as the Minnesota Family Investment Program or MFIP) for Goodwill-Easter Seals Minnesota. Prior to joining Goodwill-Easter Seals, he managed the FATHER Project for the City of Minneapolis and worked as a bilingual Individual and Family Therapist for Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio. Andrew holds a Doctorate in Clinical & Community Psychology from Bowling Green State University in Ohio.

### **Kathy Lambert, CEO & Co-Founder, Connections to Success**

Kathy is a forward-thinking social entrepreneur, social justice advocate, and thought leader. In 1998, she founded Dress for Success Midwest. Then, in 2001, recognizing the gaps in available job-readiness services, she and her husband Brad co-founded Connections to Success, which has become nationally recognized as an evidence-based model for improving children's futures by first empowering parents to become economically independent. The organization provides services designed to break the generational cycle of poverty and inspire individuals to realize their dreams and achieve economic independence by providing hope, resources and a plan.

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