

Terrilyn Miller – Bio 2023

Terrilyn Miller's mission is to bring people together for connection, healing, and purpose.

Knowing that all stories are a part of a larger picture, Terrilyn recognizes that the darker threads are also part of the beauty, which compels her to lead relationally, with a deep concern for the well-being of others. Believing that we are meant to be world changers, it is without surprise that she delights in connecting leaders and stakeholders with common interests, multiplying impact through collaboration, and concentrating focus on shared goals that help others. Her motivational and liaison skills have led to her success as an influencer and catalyst for positive change.

In 2016, Terrilyn was invited to serve at the Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family (GOYFF) as the Director of Faith and Community Initiatives. In addition to other responsibilities, Terrilyn developed issue area briefs for Arizona's first lady and executive members of GOYFF on Adverse Childhood Experience and Trauma Informed Care which included connections to faith and community leaders who were expert in these areas. Her work was foundational to GOYFF leading the Arizona initiative to become a trauma informed state in 2018.

Before serving at the Governor's Office, Terrilyn fostered transformative care to people in need as the Director of CityServe Arizona through faith, business, nonprofit and government participation. During HopeFest Phoenix, CityServe's direct-services annual event, vulnerable families received free services, including medical and dental care, and were connected to resources facilitating long-term solutions, independence, and stability. Each spring from 2012 through 2016, more than 100 service providers and 1,500 volunteers served 20,000 "guests" through the combined community effort at Chase Field Stadium in a fun, friendly and welcoming environment.

Terrilyn graduated from Arizona Christian University in 2011 with a degree in Business Administration and in 2015 received her master's degree in biblical counseling from Victorious Christian Life Institute. She is also a Trauma Institute International Certified Clinical Trauma Specialist.

A fourth generation Arizonan, Terrilyn grew up in Phoenix where she and her husband spent many years as entrepreneurs before she entered the nonprofit sector in 2011. They raised five sons and a daughter and are enjoying a growing number of grandchildren.