

DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION SPEAKERS

Joseph Pinnell

Deputy Chief and Executive Director of Workforce Engagement,
State of Indiana Office of Equity, Inclusion, & Opportunity

Joseph is a serve-first leader with a strong knowledge of diversity, equity, and inclusion best practices. Creating a culture where everyone is welcomed, respected, valued, and heard is the foundation of his work. Within the Office of the Chief Equity, Inclusion, and Opportunity Officer, he is responsible for partnering with state agencies to improve equity, inclusion, and opportunity within each agency's workforce.



Amy Sekar

Consultant, Point Blue Training & Consulting

Amy Sekhar is a Co-Active coach, trainer/facilitator and consultant. Prior to shifting careers, Amy spent 10 years as university faculty before leaving to engage in training and community education on disability issues and advocacy and then boreal equity issues at one of four regional Equity Assistance Centers, where she developed and facilitated professional learning experiences on educational equity. She has experience leading courageous conversations and is a certified professional coach.



Amber Williams

Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Belonging, Ivy Tech Community College

Amber M. Williams, M.A. began serving Ivy Tech Community College in 2010 as a Kokomo Service area full-time faculty member in the Psychology department. She was promoted to Assistant Professor and then to Program Chair for Social and Behavioral Sciences. In 2020, she became the inaugural Executive Director for Employee DEB in the Office of Diversity Equity and Belonging at Ivy Tech's Systems Office. She now serves as the Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Belonging for all 19 campuses across the state.



Margaret A. Jones, Esq.

Executive Director Disability Legal Services of Indiana



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Curtis Harris

Illinois Council on Developmental Disabilities



Jessica Aguilar

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Ledrena Girton

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Larry Markle

Director, Eskenazi Feribach Center



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Dennis Heathfield

Executive Director, Global Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion, Cummins, Inc



Kim Soria

HR Director, Hotel Carmichael



Matthew Morgan

Collins Aerospace



Alexis Gonzalez

Director, Indiana Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs

Alexis Gonzalez is the proud daughter of immigrant parents from Guadalajara, Mexico. She serves as the Director of The Indiana Commission on Hispanic/Latino Affairs (ICHLA). As a born and raised Hoosier, Alexis Gonzalez has navigated through life as a Mexican American and utilizes her role to assist other Latinx Hoosiers. Once feeling the need to hide her culture to belong, Director Gonzalez now embraces her culture by lifting the community, voicing their needs, and passionately advocating for the empowerment of Latinxs.



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Virgil Giles

Director, Indiana Commission on the Social Status of Black Males



Jordan Teske-Harrison

Director, Indiana Commission for Women



Gail Brown

Director, Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission

