

## Profile

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Social Services Director

Job Title

## Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Juvenile Crime Prevention Council: Submitted

## County Commissioner District \*

☒ District 4

## Interests & Experiences

## Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?

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My interest in serving on the JCPC Board is rooted in a commitment to the well-being and future of our community's youth. The opportunity to contribute to a body dedicated to assessing, evaluating, and improving juvenile services aligns directly with my personal and professional values. I believe that a proactive, community-focused approach is essential to addressing the complex issue of juvenile delinquency, and I am eager to apply my skills and perspective to this important work. The Board's focus on assessing the needs of juveniles and evaluating the resources available is particularly compelling to me. I have long been passionate about ensuring that young people have access to the support they need to thrive. I understand that effective solutions must be grounded in a thorough analysis of current challenges and an honest evaluation of existing programs. My experience in social services program management has prepared me to critically examine these areas and contribute to developing innovative, needs-based strategies. Furthermore, the goal of increasing public awareness about the causes of delinquency and effective reduction strategies is an area where I feel I can make a significant impact. Public understanding and support are critical to the success of any community initiative. I am confident in my ability to help translate the Board's findings into clear, compelling messages that can inform and engage the public. By fostering greater awareness, we can build a stronger network of support and reduce the stigma often associated with these issues. I am enthusiastic about the chance to collaborate with fellow board members to drive meaningful change. The comprehensive scope of the Board, from performance evaluation to public engagement, provides a powerful platform to address the full spectrum of juvenile needs in our community. I am ready to dedicate my time and energy to this cause, working diligently to ensure that every young person has the opportunity to succeed.

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Question applies to multiple boards

## **Briefly list your professional, educational and volunteer experiences that are most relevant to the mission and duties of this board:**

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Since 2021, I have served as the Director of Social Services, providing overall strategic direction to staff consistent with the missions of the County and the agency. I actively engage departmental leadership in policy development based on Federal and State guidelines and sound operational performance. Overseeing a complex organization with a \$91 million departmental budget and over 800 employees, I lead diverse service lines for Guilford County, which includes Greensboro and High Point. A key part of my role involves establishing collaborative and strategic relationships with local and state partners to develop resources and high-quality services within the County.

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## **Demographics**

### **Ethnicity**


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☒ Caucasian/Non-Hispanic

### **Gender**

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☒ Female

  
Date of Birth