**Teresa Acuña** is a senior policy advisor with the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy and Deputy Director of the Good Jobs Initiative at the U.S. Department of Labor. Previously, Teresa worked as Associate Director for Democratic Governance at the Ash Center, a multi-disciplinary think tank leading real-world change at Harvard Kennedy School. For more than ten years, Teresa held various political, legislative, and programmatic leadership roles at the state and national level. She has led teams in addressing economic inequality, exploring the future of work, and creating democratic governance innovations through an intersectional lens. She formerly served as Legislative Director in the U.S. House of Representatives and California State Legislature. Teresa holds a Master's degree in Public Administration from the Harvard Kennedy School, where she was the Roy and Lila Ash Fellow and Sheila C. Johnson Leadership Fellow. She is a proud daughter of immigrants and raised in a union home.

**Glenn Adler** has worked for more than two decades in SEIU’s Property Services Division, where his government-facing work has supported the union’s organizing and representational priorities in the Justice for Janitors, Stand for Security, and Airport Workers United campaigns. Prior to joining SEIU in 2001, he was Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of the Witwatersrand in Johannesburg, and a senior researcher at the National Labor and Economic Development Institute, the policy and research arm of the Congress of South African Trade Unions. He received his Ph.D. in Political Science from Columbia University.

**Chike Aguh**, appointed by Pres. Joe Biden, reporting to the Deputy Secretary of Labor, serves as the Department's inaugural Senior Advisor for Delivery, and also the first Black Chief Innovation Officer (CInO). Chike leads efforts to use innovative technologies, partnerships and practices to accelerate the Department’s mission of ensuring that every American is included and respected in the future of work. In his role, Chike serves as the principal advisor and subject matter expert on new and emerging technologies’ impact on workers and DOL's efforts to advance them. Those technologies include but are not limited to artificial intelligence, machine learning, XR, Web3, metaverse, quantum computing and blockchain along with many others. Additionally, he oversees the research, development and deployment for all mission-driven open government, data and emerging technology initiatives.

**Amanda Ballantyne**

*Director, Technology Institute*

AFL CIO
Pamela Barclay is a Health Scientist in the Office of the Director in the Directorate of Standards and Guidance at the national office in Washington, DC. She joined DSG in 2014 and has primarily worked on educational campaigns, safety and health programs, sustainability, integrating new technologies and capabilities, and expanding stakeholder relationships. Pamela holds a Master's of Public Health and Master's of Science from the University of Michigan. Prior to joining OSHA, she worked as a Program Analyst for the US Department of Agriculture developing analytic capabilities for the Child Nutrition Programs and worked at the intersection of environmental exposures and health outcomes as a research fellow for the US EPA, Research Triangle Park Laboratory in North Carolina.

Andre Bealer is Metro’s Workforce Equity Project Manager, overseeing implementation of the Construction Career Pathways Project and the Regional Workforce Equity Agreement. Andre’s professional background includes work in public policy development, data analysis and community engagement in both the non-profit and public sectors. For the past three years, Andre served as Senior Policy Advisor to the Metro Council President. Previously, Andre has worked to support minority workers and business owners as Policy Analyst and Program Manager for the National Association of Minority Contractors, Oregon chapter.

Lacey Beaty was elected Beaverton’s Mayor in 2020, and took office in January, 2021. Prior to serving as Mayor, she served for six years on Beaverton City Council. Before joining the City Council, she was a volunteer for the city’s Visioning Advisory Committee, serving as vice-chair. She is engaged in the community including serving on the boards of HomePlate Youth Services and Community Action. Mayor Beaty previously worked in public health, managing school-based health centers in five school districts and two counties. She served five years of active duty in the U.S. Army as a radiology specialist and combat medic and served in the 1st Infantry Division during the Iraq War. Mayor Beaty has shared that her military background is the relentless driving force that keeps her moving forward every day. Her daughter Aella is the one who inspires and motivates her to keep doing the work every day to improve their community.

Erica Bouris serves as the International Rescue Committee's Director of Economic Empowerment, leading the team that designs, implements, and evaluates programs that serve diverse low-income families in the US and Europe.
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**Chris Breedlove** attended North Carolina State University where he obtained a Bachelor of Science degree in Construction Engineering and Management. Over the past 20+ years, he has worked in numerous construction trades, has experience in both residential and commercial construction, a background in general contracting, and has settled into the wood framing industry. It is here that Chris achieved the title of President of Ace Carpentry, Inc., a turnkey framer working primarily in the mid-Atlantic region. He is also actively involved with the National Framers Council serving as the current President. Chris is married, with a son and daughter, living in MD and enjoys spending time with family and friends outdoors.

**Jim Brewer**  
*Director, Government Affairs*  
*NABTU*

**Amy Brooks** has been the owner and CEO of RCM of Washington, Inc. since 1998. RCM stays busy by Revitalizing Community Membership through support as a residential, day and employment service provider in Washington, DC. RCM supports more than 180 people in a wide variety of services and family support and employs over 300 employees from in and around the District of Columbia. RCM has recently established a DSP Academy focused on training people with disabilities to work as Direct Support Professionals to meet the ever-demanding workforce crisis. Amy has served for multiple years on various National Organizations Boards.

**Kimberly Brown**  
*Senior Program Officer*  
*Gates Foundation*

**Daniel Bustillo** is Executive Director of the Healthcare Career Advancement Program (H-CAP), a national organization of SEIU union locals and employers who are partnering in support of developing quality healthcare career education models for high road jobs that increase equity in the healthcare workforce. During his time at H-CAP, Daniel has led numerous policy and programmatic initiatives designed to support healthcare workers and caregivers, such as the Center for Advancing Racial Equity and Job Quality in Long-Term Care (Center for Equity) and the National Center for Healthcare Apprenticeships (NCHA). Daniel presently serves as a member of the US Department of Labor’s Advisory Committee on Apprenticeships, the Board of Directors for The National Skills Coalition, and is a 2022-23 Aspen Institute Job Quality Fellow.
Mayor Paige Gebhardt Cognetti took office as Mayor of Scranton on January 6, 2020. Prior to becoming Mayor, she advised the Pennsylvania Auditor General, the chief fiscal watchdog of the commonwealth, on oversight of public school districts, care for older adults, criminal justice reform and student debt. Mayor Cognetti previously served as a director on the Scranton School Board, overseeing a $160M budget and helping navigate the district’s dual crises of financial distress and public mistrust. She has a background in government oversight, investment management, economic policy, international relations and political campaigns, with broad experience in budget oversight, business development, coalition building and strategic communications. She holds an MBA from Harvard Business School and graduated summa cum laude from the University of Oregon Clark Honors College with a BA in English Literature and Romance Languages. She lives in Scranton with her husband and daughter.

Zach Conine serves as Nevada’s 23rd State Treasurer. Zach leads a team of professionals that are responsible for investing the State’s and many local governments’ money, financing community assets and facilities, processing payments for public agencies and collecting and returning unclaimed property. Additionally, Zach is responsible for Nevada College Savings Plans and administration of numerous scholarship programs and services that help Nevadans pay for post-secondary education. Before becoming Treasurer, Zach built a successful business career in the gaming, finance, and consulting sectors. He has helped dozens of small and medium businesses expand and decrease expenses, creating and preserving more than 3,000 jobs. Zach graduated with a B.A. from Cornell University’s School of Hotel Administration and holds a J.D. from the UNLV’s William S. Boyd School of Law. He and his wife Layke are happily raising their daughter Ruby, twin sons Rutherford and Theodore, and two dogs, Democracy and Liberty.

Andrew L. Cortes
Founder/Executive Director
Building Futures

Wendy Chun-Hoon serves as the 20th director of the Women’s Bureau, appointed by President Biden on February 1, 2021. Wendy is skilled at coalition building, bridging strategy across grassroots community organizing, and public sector policy making at state and national levels. She has held senior positions in Maryland state government and private philanthropy, overseeing large-scale, results-driven initiatives for worker and family economic justice. For the past 10 years, Wendy’s led Family Values @ Work, a national network of grassroots coalitions that have won more than 60 new paid leave policies bringing new rights to 55 million workers and their loved ones and are organizing to win greater access to child care, and fair wages and employment conditions for workers. Born and raised in Hawaii, Wendy graduated from Vassar College before earning Master’s degrees in Philanthropic Studies and Nonprofit Management from Indiana University. An avid soccer player, Wendy lives with her wife and their two kids in Silver Spring, MD.
Kathleen Culhane has over 20 years of experience developing, implementing, and expanding successful programmatic efforts for low-income New Yorkers. Kathleen was appointed President of Nontraditional Employment for Women (NEW) in November 2014 and has been with NEW since 2007, most previously as NEW’s Executive Vice President. Kathleen leads the organization to meet ambitious programmatic and fundraising goals and has been instrumental in the creation of many innovative programs, securing NEW as a national model for advancing women in the building and construction trades. Kathleen is the Board Chair of the New York City Employment and Training Coalition, Co-Founder of the Green Economy Network, and board member for the Consortium of Worker Education. Kathleen was a WorldTeach volunteer in Namibia, holds a Master’s degree in Social Work from Columbia University and a Bachelor of Arts from The College of Wooster.

Liz Diebold serves as Managing Director of Investments at the Skoll Foundation, where she exemplifies the art and science of a responsible and equitable investment practice for social change, guiding operations and strategy from scoping and pipeline development to deal structuring and portfolio management. She is an experienced practitioner and thought leader on catalytic capital and innovative finance to generate a social impact return, scaling social enterprise, systems change, and best practices in philanthropy and international development. Liz is passionate about individual economic dignity and works to bring the power closer to the pain to improve the human condition. Prior to joining Skoll, Liz held positions with USAID, World Economic Forum, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, and OPIC.

Brian Doherty
Boston Building and Construction Trades Council

Aimee Durfee
Director of Workforce Innovation
Centerstate Corporation for Economic Opportunity
Jennifer Granholm was sworn in as the 16th Secretary of Energy on February 25, 2021, becoming just the second woman to lead the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE). Secretary Granholm will lead DOE in helping America achieve President Biden’s goal of net-zero carbon emissions by 2050 by advancing cutting-edge clean energy technologies, creating millions of good-paying union clean energy jobs, and building an equitable clean energy future. Secretary Granholm will also oversee DOE’s core missions of promoting American leadership in scientific discovery, maintaining the nuclear deterrent and reducing nuclear danger, and remediating the environmental harms caused by legacy defense programs. Prior to her nomination as Secretary of Energy, Jennifer Granholm was the first woman elected Governor of Michigan, serving two terms from 2003 to 2011.

Don Graves is the 19th Deputy Secretary of Commerce. Most recently, he served as Counselor to President Joe Biden during the 2020 presidential campaign. Prior to that, Graves served as Executive Vice President and Head of Corporate Responsibility and Community Relations at KeyBank. During the Obama-Biden Administration, Graves served as Counselor and Domestic and Economic Policy Director for then-Vice President Biden. He was previously appointed by President Barack Obama as Executive Director of the President’s Council on Jobs and Competitiveness. Graves also served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Small Business, Community Development, and Housing Policy at the U.S. Department of the Treasury. Graves holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and History from Williams College and a Juris Doctor from the Georgetown University Law Center, where he received the Dean’s Award.

Jill Gregory is widely recognized by her team as “Safety Mom.” She’s been part of the Electrical Utility industry for the past 8-years, working primarily as a Safety Professional with Overhead Transmission and Distribution teams. As Regional Safety Manager for Harlan Electric Company, her job is to ensure the Company stays in compliance with industry regulations and standards, and her passion is to make sure everyone has a safe, productive day and goes home in the same condition as when they got to the jobsite. “Safety, to me, is the combination of recognizing workplace hazards and having the right attitude to protect each other from them,” says Ms. Gregory. “The human part of the equation is crucial, that's why for Safety Professionals, it's not just about confirming that the team has the knowledge required to do a job, but also nurturing safe choices and behaviors while doing it.”

Chaton Green currently works as a Sprinkler Fitter at Carlysle Engineering. Chaton is a 2012 graduate of Building Pathways. He entered Sprinkler Fitters Local Union 550 in Boston, excelled in his apprenticeship program, has been journey level for the past five years, and has been an active member of his Local Union and the Boston Building Trades Unions for the past decade. He has worked with the Building and Construction Trades Council (Greater Boston Building Trades Unions) to help launch and co-chair the Building a Stronger Boston committee. The committee was launched to advocate for accessible, good Union construction careers, recognizing that responsible economic development and shared economic prosperity are key to building stronger communities.
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**Bulbul Gupta** is President & CEO of Pacific Community Ventures, one of the US’s first impact investing funds, now a nonprofit CDFI, where she is leading a restorative capital strategy to invest in under-estimated entrepreneurs and build wealth for the New Majority, one good quality job at a time. She previously led Entrepreneurship & Impact Investing at the Clinton Global Initiative, helped launch the Obama White House’s Impact Investing task force in 2013, and advised the Clinton-Kane and Biden-Harris presidential campaigns on inclusive entrepreneurship and racial equity. Bulbul has a Master’s in Public Policy & Economics from the University of Michigan, BA from The George Washington University. She is a first-generation daughter of Indian immigrants, former entrepreneur herself, and lives in California with her daughters.

**Sarita Gupta** is Vice President of U.S. Programs, overseeing the Ford Foundation’s domestic work including Civic Engagement and Government, Creativity and Free Expression, Future of Work(ers), Technology and Society, Disability Rights, and Gender, Racial, and Ethnic Justice. Sarita joined the Foundation in 2019 as director of the Future of Work(ers) program, bringing more than two decades of experience working to expand people’s ability to take collective action to improve their workplaces, communities, and lives by creating meaningful solutions. She is a nationally recognized expert on the economic, labor, and political issues affecting workers, and is widely acknowledged as a key leader and strategist for building coalitions and policies that protect, and advance the rights of workers.

**Twauna Hennessee** is the Community Outreach Representative for the NW Carpenters Union in Portland, Oregon. In her role she vigorously works each day to find and implement opportunities for women and people of color. Her work includes the importance of encouraging and supporting pre-apprentices/apprentices, working with governmental agencies to sign Community Benefit Agreements (CBA’s) to ensure there is continuity of opportunities for work, and ensure their success. She brings over twenty years of experience to this role as she has worked in non-profit, retail, and faith-based organizations. She is a mother of four and grandmother of nine.

**Alexander Hertel-Fernandez** is Deputy Assistant Secretary for Research and Evaluation at the U.S Department of Labor. He is on leave from his prior position as Associate Professor of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University, where he studies American political economy, with a focus on the politics of business, labor, wealthy donors, and policy. His most recent book, *State Capture: How Conservative Activists, Big Businesses, and Wealthy Donors Reshaped the American States—and the Nation* (Oxford University Press, 2019), examines how networks of conservative activists, donors, and businesses built organizations to successfully reshape public policy across the states and why progressives failed in similar efforts. Hertel-Fernandez received his B.A. in Political Science from Northwestern University and his A.M. and Ph.D. in Government and Social Policy from Harvard University.
Betony Jones is the Senior Advisor for Workforce in the U.S. Department of Energy. Betony started her career in the White House translating climate change science for the country’s most senior policymakers under President Clinton. Through that political lens, she saw the complex economy-wide nature of climate change as both the biggest obstacle to effective policy-making but also the greatest opportunity to build broad-based political support. She spent the next 20 years working to address climate change by growing high-quality, union jobs and improving equitable access to economic opportunity. She has started two different consulting firms focused on this endeavor and worked as the Associate Director of the Green Economy Program at the UC Berkeley Labor Center. She has published dozens of articles on the distributional employment impacts of clean energy jobs. She has a Bachelor of Science degree from University of Michigan and a Master’s from the Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies.

Born in Malawi, Josephine Kalipeni has seen inequities in one of the poorest countries in the world and in one of the richest. As a former social worker, she saw firsthand the systemic challenges families experienced. She has since worked in policy advocacy, organizing, campaign and strategy development, and strategic planning for two decades centering those most marginalized. As a policy and movement expert, Josie is committed to transforming systems, policies, organizations and dismantling racism and toxic cultural norms and narratives of individualism, scarcity and “the deserving.” She is a connector that catches a vision and executes it. She holds a Bachelors in Sociology and Political Science and a Master’s in Social Justice and Community Development. She currently serves as the Executive Director of Family Values @ Work.

Sarah Day Kalloch has dedicated her career to connecting public and private sector leaders with front line workers to build better businesses, create good jobs, and define stronger social policy. Sarah is Executive Director of the Good Jobs Institute, whose mission is to help companies thrive by creating good jobs. She builds partnerships with companies and investors looking to implement the Good Jobs Strategy and creates tools to guide any organization in their good jobs journey. She was a 2018-2019 Aspen Job Quality Fellow and has guest lectured on sustainable operations at MIT Sloan. Sarah previously spent over a decade in international development with Oxfam American and Physicians for Human Rights, improving the health, human rights and livelihoods of communities across Africa. Sarah graduated magna cum laude from Harvard and holds an MBA from MIT Sloan where she was awarded the Seley Scholarship for leadership, community contributions, and academic achievement.

Vennicia Kingston
Owner
Eagle Eye Construction LLC
Rachel Korberg is the Executive Director and co-founder of the Families and Workers Fund, a coalition of more than 20 diverse philanthropies working together to build a more equitable U.S. economy that uplifts all. Co-chaired by Ford Foundation President Darren Walker and Schmidt Futures CEO Eric Braverman, the more than $57M fund invests and builds strategic partnerships to advance good jobs and deliver equitable, effective public benefits. In 2021, she received Crain’s New York’s award for notable leaders in philanthropy for her leadership during the COVID-19 pandemic as well as a “Stevie Award” for female nonprofit executive of the year. Rachel is President of the Board of the Stonewall Community Foundation, one of the largest funders of LGBTQIA+ causes. She has a Master in Public Policy from Yale University and executive training in human-centered design from Stanford Graduate School of Business. Rachel also brings lived experience to her leadership of the Families and Workers Fund as a working parent, survivor of workplace sexual harassment, and a family member who has seen loved ones navigate the inadequate public benefits system and a job market that too often writes off those who don’t hold college degrees.

Kelly Kupcak is the Executive Director of Oregon Tradeswomen, a nonprofit founded in 1989, which is dedicated to promoting success for women in the trades through education, leadership, and mentoring. Prior to her tenure at Oregon Tradeswomen, she served as the Director of Technical Assistance for the National Center for Women’s Equity in Apprenticeship and Employment at Chicago Women in Trades. Kelly discovered her love for this work and supporting tradeswomen to have access, opportunity, and equity in nontraditional industries in her role as Director of Public Policy and Advocacy while at Hard Hatted Women in Cleveland, Ohio. Kelly proudly serves on several industry boards, coalitions, and advisory committees, including the National Taskforce on Tradeswomen Issues, the Executive Committee of the Metropolitan Alliance for Workforce Equity, the City of Portland Fair Contracting Forum, the Labor Education Research Center at Oregon State University, and the Oregon Healthy Worker Center at OHSU.

Lark Jackson is the Gender Equity Center Program Director at Chicago Women in Trades’ National Center for Women’s Equity in Apprenticeship and Employment and is a recognized leader in advancing diversity, equity and inclusion for women working in the skilled trades, including but not limited to the manufacturing, construction and transit sectors. She leads the national center’s technical assistance work in Detroit and Philadelphia and has facilitated the launch of the Women in Nontraditional Careers Initiative, (WINC), in the latter city. The initiative is a multistakeholder collaboration which convenes local tradeswomen, employers, community-based organizations, the Workforce Board, and community colleges together to build a pipeline to attract women to apprenticeship and employment in manufacturing, construction and transit. Lark graduated from Amherst College with a Bachelor of Arts, Major in English.
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**Livia Lam** is a program officer on the Future of Work(ers) team at the Ford Foundation. She brings more than two decades of experience developing and shaping economic policies to successful implementation. Livia has served more than a dozen years in Congress, including as Senator Patty Murray’s legislative director and as senior labor advisor for chairman George Miller on the House Education & Labor Committee. Here, she was the key architect of legislation to reauthorize the nation’s federal job training programs, which led to the enactment of the Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act. Livia’s extensive policy background also includes researching education and labor issues at the Center for Work-Life Policy and the Learning Policy Institute. As a resident senior fellow at the Center for American Progress, her work on redesigning workforce policy has been published in the California Law Review, Market Watch, The Hill, Real Clear Policy, Morning Consult and Law360.

**Mitch Landrieu** serves as the White House Senior Advisor and Infrastructure Implementation Coordinator. In this role, Landrieu oversees the most significant and comprehensive investments in American infrastructure in generations—work that independent experts verify will create millions of high-paying, union jobs while boosting our economic competitiveness in the world, strengthening our supply chains, and acting against inflation for the long term. Prior to this role, Mitch Landrieu served as the 61st Mayor of New Orleans (2010–2018). Under Landrieu’s leadership, New Orleans is widely recognized as one of the nation’s great comeback stories. In 2015, Landrieu was named “Public Official of the Year” by Governing, and in 2016 was voted “America’s top turnaround mayor” in a Politico survey of mayors. He also served as President of the U.S. Conference of Mayors.

**David Langdon** is Deputy Director of Policy in the Office of the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Commerce. He joined the Department of Commerce in February 2011 as a senior economist, and took on the added role as a senior policy advisor in October 2012. Previously, he spent five years as a senior economist in the U.S. Department of Labor’s Office of the Chief Economist and Office of the Assistant Secretary for Policy and seven years in the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Mr. Langdon has served cabinet officials of both parties, with a portfolio covering labor market, statistical, economic development, and intellectual property policy. Mr. Langdon received a B.A. with Honors in Economics from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a M.A. in Applied Economics from Johns Hopkins University. He was also the recipient of a Fulbright grant, through which he conducted research and completed graduate studies at the Universidad de Sevilla, Spain.

**Andrew Levinson**  
*Acting Director*  
OSHA Standards & Guidance
Darlene Lombos is Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the Greater Boston Labor Council (GBLC) and the first woman and person of color to be elected in this top leadership position. The GBLC represents over 100,000 union members and their families within 24 cities and towns in the region, and has as its primary mission to build power for workers and progressive allies to advance our movement for social, economic and racial justice. Darlene has been organizing around various community issues since 1996, including police accountability and home daycare justice at Direct Action for Rights and Equality in Providence, RI as well as transportation equity, gentrification and displacement, and education reform at Sisters in Action for Power in Portland, OR. She brings nearly 25 years’ experience in community and youth organizing, leadership development and coalition building to this work.

Carmel Martin is a Deputy Assistant to the President and Deputy Director of the Domestic Policy Council for Economic Mobility. Martin was a Senior Policy Advisor for the Biden for Presidential campaign. Prior to joining the campaign, she was the National Policy Director for Beto for America. Martin served as the Assistant Secretary for Policy and Budget at the U.S. Department of Education during the Obama-Biden Administration. Martin was a founding employee and, after her service in the Obama-Biden Administration, she served as the Executive Vice President for Policy at the Center for American Progress, a progressive think tank in Washington, D.C. Early in Martin’s career, she worked as a trial attorney for the Civil Rights Division at the U.S. Department of Justice and as a member of Hogan and Hartson’s (now Hogan Lovells) education practice. She graduated with a J.D. and Master’s degree in Public Affairs from the University of Texas. After graduate school, Martin was a law clerk to Judge Thomas M. Reavley in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit.

Mike Mitchell is the Director of Policy and Research at the Groundwork Collaborative. His work focuses on expanding access to opportunity for marginalized communities through better economic and fiscal policy. Previously, Michael was the Senior Director and Counselor, Equity and Inclusion with the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, where he led the organization’s efforts to incorporate a greater equity and inclusion lens into its research and analysis. Mitchell holds a B.A. in Economics and Political Science from the University of Connecticut and an MPA from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University.

Christopher Montgomery is a native of Syracuse, New York and a progressive thinker that has served the Syracuse community as a proven advocate, community connector, leader, and director for academic and workforce development efforts. Christopher is the Director of Syracuse Build at CNY Works, Inc. Christopher, within Syracuse Build, is diligently working to diversify Syracuse’s construction industry by connecting capable job seekers from Syracuse’s historically marginalized communities with career pathways in construction-related fields. Syracuse Build aligns local government, anchor institutions, union apprenticeship programs, and construction firms into a coordinated network of community, training, and workforce partners. Prior to Syracuse Build, Christopher was a Program Coordinator at the SUNY Syracuse Educational Opportunity Center. Christopher’s professional career includes various roles in the non-profit sector and the federal government’s legislative branch.
Michael Monxhwedey
Partner
JAS Group Enterprise

Katelyn Walker Mooney is the Director of the U.S. Department of Labor’s Good Jobs Initiative and serves as an Advisor to Secretary Marty J. Walsh. In this role she coordinates work done since the beginning of this administration—and often for decades before—under one umbrella to provide critical information to workers, employers, and government agencies as they work to improve job quality. She recently served as the Associate General Counsel for the Committee on Education and Labor in the U.S. House of Representatives. There, she managed the legislative process; counseled Representatives and staff on labor policy, legislation, and law; and conducted oversight investigations. Before that, she clerked for the Honorable Melanie M. Shaw Geter in the Maryland Court of Special Appeals and the Honorable Tiffany H. Anderson in the Circuit Court for Prince George’s County. As a law student, she worked for Congresswoman Marcia L. Fudge, the AFL-CIO, and the SEIU. Katelyn is an alumna of the George Washington University Law School and Dartmouth College.

William “Willy” Mazzara Myers started in construction in 1987 as a sheet metal worker. He served as an apprentice, journeyman, foreman, steward, organizer, and business representative with Local 16 Sheet Metal Workers. In 2013, Willy served as the President of the Columbia Pacific Building Trades Council and was elected to the Executive Secretary position. He also currently serves on the Development Commission of Portland "Prosper Portland" since 2015 which is an appointed position by the Mayor’s Office. Married to Elizabeth Mazzara Myers in 2015. He has served on several boards: Prevailing Wage Advisory Committee, Regional Workforce Equity Agreement bargaining team, Broadway Corridor Steering Committee, Portland Economic Relief and Recovery Committee, several project advisory committees, Safe From Hate Alliance Steering Committee, and many more.

Miranda Nelson is the National Director of Jobs to Move America. She has spent more than a decade in the labor movement, working as a researcher and campaigner with the New York State Nurses Association, the New York Hotel Trades Council, and the United Food and Commercial Workers. She has developed innovative policies to help workers organize and improve their working conditions, and worked on comprehensive campaigns that brought thousands of workers into unions. Miranda has a Master’s in Public and Urban Policy from the New School and she received her Bachelor’s in History from the University of Chicago.
Andre Oliver serves as Initiative Director at The James Irvine Foundation. He played an instrumental role in developing and now leads the Foundation’s Fair Work initiative, which aims to expand the voice and influence of low-wage workers on the issues that affect their lives and livelihoods. He brings more than two decades of experience in the public policy and advocacy arenas, holding senior positions within philanthropy, political consulting, and government. Prior to joining Irvine, Andre was a senior strategist for one of the nation’s leading consulting firms, with a deep involvement in key California policy initiatives, and statewide and local elections. Previously, he was Director of Communications for the Rockefeller Foundation and served in various roles within the Clinton Administration, including Special Assistant to the President in the Office of Public Liaison, and Director of Communications and Strategic Planning at the U.S. Peace Corps. Andre lives in Los Angeles.

Tyonka Perkins Rimawi is the Senior Program Manager of Grantmaking & Community Engagement at the Families and Workers Fund. In her role, Tyonka works closely with grantee partners to help them leverage their impacts through funding and relationship building. Under her leadership, the Fund has built a council of essential workers and people directly impacted by economic insecurity and inequity to uplift and center their expertise and ground the Fund’s efforts in real, lived experience. Prior to joining the Fund, Tyonka led innovative philanthropic initiatives focused on economic security, including a public-private partnership that launched the nation’s first fully-funded Mayors for a Guaranteed Income pilot and an emergency cash assistance fund that supported over 2,600 families at the onset of the pandemic. She also led economic opportunity initiatives at Goodwill Industries International, including an initiative to advance qualified, yet overlooked frontline employees into leadership roles, and the Center of Excellence in Leadership of Learning, including a statewide Early College initiative to reduce students’ time to and cost of postsecondary education.

Lynn Rhinehart is Senior Counselor in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. Department of Labor. She assists Secretary Marty Walsh in his role as Vice Chair of the White House Task Force on Worker Organizing and Empowerment, established by Executive Order 14025, and advises on other issues relating to unions and collective bargaining. Until her appointment at the Labor Department in June 2021, Lynn was a Senior Fellow focused on labor policy, unions and collective bargaining at the Economic Policy Institute, a Washington, D.C.-based think tank that provides research and analysis on economic issues as they affect working people. She also served as Special Counsel to Actors’ Equity, the union for stage actors and stage managers and consulted with labor organizations on a variety of union issues. Until July 2018, Lynn was General Counsel of the national AFL-CIO, a federation of 56 national and international labor unions, and executive director of the AFL-CIO Union Lawyers Alliance (formerly the AFL-CIO Lawyers Coordinating Committee), a national organization of 2,100 union-side labor lawyers.
Wayne L. Richardson of Newark was elected to his first term as District 2 Commissioner in November of 2014 and re-elected in November 2017 and 2020. In January 2018, he was elected Vice President of the Board and re-elected in 2019 and elected President in 2021. He grew up in Newark, graduated from Barringer High School, and served as a District Leader and Assistant Ward Chairperson in Newark’s North Ward in the 1980’s. He serves as President of Laborers Local 55, and in 2014, he was promoted to Lead Organizer, representing an area that includes New Jersey, Delaware, New York City, and Long Island. Commissioner Richardson is the recipient of numerous awards, including the Newark NAACP Freedom Fund’s Donald M. Payne, Sr., Political Action Award (2013), the Citizens’ Campaign’s Jersey Call to Service Award (2010), and the African-American Heritage Parade’s Labor Heritage Award (2014). Currently the Executive Director for the State of New Jersey Pathways to Apprenticeship Pre Apprenticeship Program (P2A NJ).

Celeste Richie is the Vice President for Workforce Development for Results for America. Previously, Celeste served as a Director at Third Sector Capital Partners where she partnered with local governments in building evidence-based initiatives to improve workforce, education, and health outcomes. Celeste spent seven years in the federal government working to improve the use of evidence in program and policy decision-making. She focused on employment and worker protection programs as a Senior Evaluation Specialist with the U.S. Department of Labor’s Chief Evaluation Office and provided policy, budget, and performance analysis across several offices in the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Before her time in D.C., she worked with the Fiscal Research Division of the North Carolina Legislature and as the Assistant Director for Diversity and Communications for the College of Natural Resources at North Carolina State University.

On September 26, 2013 Evan Ryan assumed her position as Assistant Secretary of State for Educational and Cultural Affairs (ECA). In this capacity, she oversees a wide range of academic, cultural, private sector, professional, youth, and sports exchange programs to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and the people of other countries and promote peaceful relations. ECA exchange programs engage youth, students, educators, artists, athletes, and emerging leaders in more than 160 countries and in the United States. ECA has had over one million program participants to date, including more than 50 Nobel Laureates and over 350 current and former heads of state and government. From 2009 to 2013, Ms. Ryan served in the White House as Assistant to the Vice President and Special Assistant to the President for Intergovernmental Affairs and Public Engagement. In this role she served as the Vice President’s liaison to elected officials and constituency groups. Assistant Secretary Ryan, a Virginia native, holds a B.A. from Boston College and an M.I.P.P. from the Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies.
Josh Sapp is the President of the Decatur Building and Construction Trades Council in Decatur, Illinois where he serves as the Business Manager and Financial Secretary for the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local 146. Josh also represents the IBEW members in Illinois as a Vice-President on the Illinois AFL-CIO Executive Board, and he is on the Board of Directors for the NECA-IBEW Health and Welfare and Pension Funds which cover roughly 30,000 individuals in 7 states. Additionally, Josh serves on the South Wheatland Fire Protection Board, City of Decatur Electrical Commission, Decatur and Macon County Economic Development Corporation, Workforce Development Board of Macon and Dewitt Counties, and The Decatur Area Visitors and Convention Bureau. Mr. Sapp is a journeyman electrician by trade, completing his registered apprenticeship program in 2003.

Brandon M. Scott is the 52nd Mayor of Baltimore, working to end gun violence, restore the public's trust in government and change Baltimore for the better. Scott was unanimously elected President of the Baltimore City Council by his colleagues in May 2019. As Council President, Scott developed and released the first-ever City Council President legislative agenda, focused on building safer, stronger communities, cleaning up city government, investing in Baltimore’s young people, and centering equity. Previously, Scott served on the City Council representing Baltimore's 2nd District. During his first term, Scott emerged as a leading voice in reducing violence in Baltimore and reinstated Council Oversight of the Baltimore Police Department by holding quarterly hearings. He was a member of the Young Elected Officials Network and served as the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for YEO's America's Cabinet. He also served as the Chair of the National League of Cities' Large Cities Council. A proud Baltimorean, Scott is a graduate of MERVVO High School and St. Mary's College of Maryland. He lives in Baltimore's Frankford neighborhood in Northeast Baltimore.

Congressman Robert C. "Bobby" Scott was born on April 30, 1947 in Washington, D.C. and grew up in Newport News, Virginia. He is a graduate of Harvard College and Boston College Law School. Congressman Scott has represented Virginia's third congressional district in the U.S. House of Representatives since 1993. Prior to his service in Congress, he served in the Virginia House of Delegates from 1978 to 1983 and in the Senate of Virginia from 1983 to 1993. During his tenure in the Virginia General Assembly, Congressman Scott successfully sponsored laws critical to Virginians in education, employment, health care, social services, economic development, crime prevention and consumer protection. Congressman Scott currently serves as the Chairman of the Committee on Education and Labor. In this capacity, he is advancing an agenda that improves equity in education, frees students from the burdens of crippling debt, protects and expands access to affordable health care, ensures workers have a safe workplace where they can earn a living wage free from discrimination, and guarantees seniors have a secure and dignified retirement.
Kevin Sell is the CVO of United Group Services, a Cincinnati-based industrial construction firm that works throughout the U.S. He also provides corporate oversight of several holding company entities: Elite Welding Academy, Core Crew, PMS, and Innovative Mechanical Services. Kevin has 32 years of experience in the construction industry. His education includes technical degrees in Fire Science and Business Administration from Northern Kentucky University, a Bachelor’s Degree in Safety Engineering from the University of Cincinnati, and a Master’s Degree in Construction Management from Clemson University. Mr. Sell also serves as a Special Government Employee for the U.S. Department of Labor. Kevin served as Chairman of the Kentucky Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission, and retired from the fire service (after 20 years) on November 1, 2005. Kevin was a Battalion Chief at the Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky International Airport Fire Department. Kevin currently serves as a member of the Workforce Development Committee for the Construction Users Round Table (CURT). He frequently speaks on industry trends, EHS, and workforce development throughout the U.S. He is currently working on collaborative execution strategies in the industrial space with the Project Summit team, and advancing suicide prevention programs in construction.

Paige Shevlin is a strategic advisor for infrastructure workforce development at the Office of the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation (DoT). Prior to joining the DoT, Ms. Shevlin was the Director of Policy and National Initiatives at the Markle Foundation. She is a former economic development policy advisor for King's County, Washington, and was a special assistant to the president for economic policy and a senior policy advisor at the White House during the Obama Administration. She has also been the special assistant to the chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors at the White House, as associate policy director on The Hamilton Project at the Brookings Institute, special assistant to the chief economist at the U.S. Department of Labor, and an assistant analyst at the Congressional Budget Office. She has a Master’s of Public Administration in Policy and Economics from Princeton University.

Saket Soni is the founder and director of Resilience Force, a national nonprofit that advocates for the rising workforce that rebuilds after climate disasters. He was profiled as an “architect of the next labor movement” in USA Today, and his work was the subject of a New Yorker feature story in November 2021. He has testified before Congress on issues of immigration and labor rights.

Kathy Stack is a Senior Fellow at Yale University’s Tobin Center for Economic Policy and an independent consultant, who advises non-profit organizations, foundations, research organizations, and government officials on strategies to advance cross-program innovation and evidence-based decision-making in health, human
services, education, and other social programs. Prior to leaving government in 2015, Kathy spent nearly three decades at the White House Office of Management and Budget, where she oversaw budget, policy, legislation, regulations, and management issues for the Departments of Education and Labor, the Social Security Administration, the Corporation for National and Community Service, and major human services programs administered by HHS and USDA. She is a graduate of Cornell University and a fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration.

Marcia St.Hilaire-Finn, the Founder and CEO of Bright Start Early Care & Preschool in Ward 4, in D.C. that she launched from her basement in 2002 while working as a nurse on the weekends. Marcia served 25 years as a certified pediatric nurse at hospitals throughout New York and the DMV area. Since 2012, has been an advocate for families and children and has testified before the DC Council and the US Senate Committee for Health and Human Services for paid sick leave and paid family leave. She has been a panelist for zero to three why quality child care matters and has acquired a Director Certificate for ECE at University of the District of Columbia, and her Bachelor of Nursing Degree at SUNY New Paltz, NY, and a Certificate of Business Management from George Washington University. Marcia is a Sunday school teacher, at St. Augustine Catholic Church, a soccer mom, and lives in DC, with her husband Dr. Emanuel Finn and daughters Sari and Alanna.

Julie Su was appointed by President Biden to serve as the Deputy Secretary of Labor and confirmed by the Senate on July 13, 2021. The Deputy Secretary serves as the de-facto chief operating officer for the department, overseeing its workforce, managing its budget and executing the priorities of the Secretary of Labor. Prior to joining the U.S. Department of Labor, Deputy Secretary Su served as the secretary for the California Labor and Workforce Development Agency. The LWDA enforces workplace laws, combats wage theft, ensures health and safety on the job, connects Californians to quality jobs and career pathways, and administers unemployment insurance, workers compensation and paid family leave. Su is a nationally recognized expert on workers’ rights and civil rights who has dedicated her distinguished legal career to advancing justice on behalf of poor and disenfranchised communities and is a past recipient of a MacArthur Foundation “genius” grant. Su has taught at UCLA Law School and Northeastern Law School. She is a graduate of Stanford University and Harvard Law School and began her career with a Skadden Fellowship. Su speaks Mandarin and Spanish.

As Chief Procurement Officer of the City of Portland, Biko Taylor oversees Portland’s external spending for public projects — $845 million during the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Taylor also leads efforts to diversify the companies and people who do business with the City, helping ensure that Black people, Indigenous people, people of color and women share equitably in Portland’s prosperity. Taylor holds a Master’s of Business Administration from Pennsylvania State University and a Master’s of Education from the Broad Center for the Management of School Systems which is now managed by Yale University. Biko has served as Senior Director of Procurement for KIPP Texas and as Executive Director of procurement for the School District of Philadelphia. In both positions, Taylor built community partnerships and diversified the businesses receiving public contracts. Under his leadership, the School District of Philadelphia increased the
For nearly 20 years, **Emily Timm** has fought tirelessly for workplace justice and immigrants rights in Texas and across the country. She is a Co-Executive Director at Workers Defense, an organization she co-founded in 2005, and has since been instrumental in building the organization into a statewide powerhouse that empowers low-wage construction workers to achieve fair, safe employment. Today, Workers Defense is one of the leading advocacy organizations in Texas, with a membership of thousands and offices in Houston, Dallas and Austin.

**Polly Trottenberg**, the Deputy Secretary at the U.S. Department of Transportation, provides leadership and strategic vision as the Department’s Chief Operating Officer. She leads the Department’s implementation efforts for the $660 billion provided by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, including building out the Joint Office for Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure with Department of Energy, and dispersing $78 billion in discretionary grants. As the New York City Transportation Commissioner from 2014 to 2020, she ensured the safe, efficient, and equitable operations of the New York City transportation network, led it through its COVID-19 response and recovery, and implemented the landmark Vision Zero program. Trottenberg served in the Obama Administration as the Assistant Secretary and Under Secretary for Policy at USDOT, where she developed and implemented policies to serve the needs of local and state transportation agencies. Previously, Trottenberg spent 12 years in the U.S. Senate, serving Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan, Majority Leader Charles Schumer, and Senator Barbara Boxer.

Prior to his nomination as Deputy Secretary, **David Turk** was the Deputy Executive Director of the International Energy Agency (IEA), where he focused on helping countries around the world tackle their clean energy transitions. He also directed reports on the digitalization of energy systems, the future of clean hydrogen, and a project tracking progress on a wide range of clean energy technologies. During the Obama-Biden Administration, Turk coordinated international technology and clean energy efforts at DOE. During this time, he helped spearhead the launch of Mission Innovation—a global effort to enhance clean energy innovation. Turk also served as Special Assistant to the President and Senior Director at the U.S. National Security Council, where he coordinated interagency legislative affairs efforts by the full range of national security agencies and provided legislative advice to National Security Council decision-making. He also previously worked at the U.S. Department of State, including as Deputy Special Envoy for Climate Change and helping to coordinate New Start Treaty ratification efforts in the U.S. Senate. Earlier in his career, Turk worked in both the U.S. Senate, primarily on national security issues, and as the Staff Director of the National Security Subcommittee of the House Oversight Committee. Turk was born in Quito, Ecuador and raised in Rock Falls, Illinois. He is a graduate of both the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and the University of Virginia Law School. He and his wife, Emily Turk, have three children.
Denise Turner Roth was appointed President of U.S. Advisory Services, where she began her career at WSP in 2017 as a senior advisor, in July of 2019. Formerly, Roth served WSP as the Chief Development Officer, elevating client engagement and communications and aligning those functions with WSP USA's growth strategy. Prior to joining WSP, Roth led marquee economic development initiatives at the local, state and federal levels. She served as head of the U.S. General Services Administration, the federal agency responsible for government property management and procurement. She previously was city manager for Greensboro, North Carolina, where she generated more than $75 million in city enhancements. Roth earned a bachelor’s degree in political science and government from George Mason University, where she also received an honorary doctorate of letters in recognition of her distinguished public service. She is a fellow at the National Academy of Public Administration.

Kavya Vaghul is the Senior Director of Research at JUST Capital. She leads the development of original research products on corporate Environment, Social, and Governance topics and serves as an organizational expert on wages, job quality, equity, and other worker policies. Prior to joining JUST Capital, Kavya was a Senior Research Analyst at the Washington Center for Equitable Growth, where she conducted economic and social policy research on a wide portfolio of issues. Kavya has also served as a researcher for the Healthy Neighborhood Study in the Greater Boston Area, a fellow for the Massachusetts State Department of Public Health’s Population Health Information Tool, and a legislative intern for Senator Maria Cantwell (D-WA). Her research has been featured in The New York Times, Washington Post, Vox, The Atlantic, and other major media outlets. Kavya received her Master’s in City Planning from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and her B.A. in Public Health Studies from The Johns Hopkins University.

Ross Van Dongen manages Accelerator for America's Transit and Infrastructure portfolio, ranging from assisting local governments in standing up ballot measure campaigns, advocating for locally focused T&I policies and programs at the federal level, and coordinating local implementation of the American Rescue Plan and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law with cities, counties and MPOs nationwide. Accelerator for America finds and develops solutions to economic insecurity and shares them with cities to create national change from the ground up. The organization is led by an Advisory Council comprising mayors, labor leaders, corporate CEOs and non-profit executives from across the country dedicated to sharing best practices around our country’s most complicated challenges.
Mayor Ben Walsh is the 54th mayor in the history of the City of Syracuse. Ben has played a lead role in some of the most transformational projects in Syracuse's recent history. From the creation of the Greater Syracuse Land Bank to the successful redevelopment of the Hotel Syracuse, Ben has earned a reputation as a pragmatic and collaborative leader who brings the right people together to get the job done. In his six years working at City Hall, as the deputy commissioner of neighborhood and business development, he interacted with business owners and neighborhood residents on a daily basis. Ben worked for Mackenzie Hughes LLP, where he helped small business owners navigate the municipal approval process. He previously worked for the Metropolitan Development Association (now CenterState CEO), developing and implementing innovative job creation and urban revitalization strategies. Ben is a native of Syracuse and currently resides on the city's west side with his wife, Lindsay, and their two daughters.

Matt Walsh specializes in projects related to creating and connecting people to good jobs that support individuals, families, and communities.

Martin J. Walsh was sworn in as the 29th Secretary of Labor on March 23, 2021. A lifelong champion of equity and fairness, and a proud product of the City of Boston, Secretary Walsh leads the U.S. Department of Labor with a strong connection to working people, and a commitment to creating an economy that works for all. In 1997, he was elected to serve as a State Representative for one of the most diverse districts in Massachusetts. There, he focused on creating good jobs, protecting workers’ rights, expanding mental health treatment, and investing in public transit. Following his time as a State Representative, Secretary Walsh spent the last seven years as the Mayor of the City of Boston. While mayor, he led the creation of close to 140,000 jobs and helped secure a statewide $15 per hour minimum wage, paid sick leave, and paid parental leave. He established universal, high-quality Pre-Kindergarten for all children, and free community college for low-income students. Secretary Walsh was a national leader in the response to COVID-19, getting PPE to first responders and nursing homes; funding emergency child care for healthcare and frontline workers; halting evictions and providing rental relief; and setting up multiple funds to help small businesses survive. His work early in the pandemic to pause construction and establish safety requirements has been lauded as a model by both unions and employers alike. After following his father into Laborers Local 223 in Boston, he rose to head the Building and Construction Trades Council from 2011 to 2013. He worked with business and community leaders to promote high-quality development, and he created a program called Building Pathways that has become a model for increasing diversity in the workplace and providing good career opportunities for women and people of color. Born and raised in the neighborhood of Dorchester by immigrant parents, Secretary Walsh is driven to ensure our nation’s economy works for everyone. Secretary Walsh is a survivor of Burkitt lymphoma and is a proud member of the recovery community who has worked to expand addiction treatment throughout his career. While working full-time as a legislator, he returned to school to earn a degree in Political Science at Boston
Parisa Fatehi-Weeks serves as Senior Director for Social Impact (Global) at Indeed as well as Board President for the Workers Defense Project, an immigrant workers’ rights organization. She most recently led the digital inclusion portfolio at Google.org. She previously served as staff attorney at Public Advocates, a nonprofit civil rights law firm in San Francisco, where she advocated for greater access to affordable housing and public transit for low-income communities and communities of color. Prior to that, she was a law clerk to U.S. District Court Judge Vanessa D. Gilmore and worked for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C.

Jenny Weissbourd is a Senior Program Manager with the Families and Workers Fund, where she leads policy and programmatic partnerships. Jenny collaborates with governments, nonprofits, and employers at the federal, state, and local levels to support them in improving jobs and delivering equitable, effective public benefits. Jenny brings more than a decade of experience advancing policies and practices to strengthen economic mobility for workers and families. Most recently, she was the Associate Director of the Workforce Strategies Initiative at the Aspen Institute Economic Opportunities Program, where she led applied research and capacity building projects to improve job quality, in partnership with public agencies, workforce development nonprofits, community lenders, employers, and workers.

Melissa Wells serves as Special Assistant to the President of NABTU for Diversity and Inclusion. As a community development professional, Melissa is skilled in bridging relationships between diverse stakeholder groups and is passionate about advancing access to opportunity and economic security for all. Prior to working for NABTU, Melissa spent 7 years as a Director for the Baltimore-D.C. Building Trades Council. In her role, she built and strengthened relationships with community and faith-based organizations in Baltimore-D.C. Building Trades’ region. Melissa also previously spent three years at the Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, where she supported efforts led by state and regional coalitions to advance household financial and economic security. Melissa holds an undergraduate degree from the University of California, Riverside and a Master's in Public Policy from American University. She also serves in the Maryland General Assembly, representing the 40th legislative District— the heart of West Baltimore city — in the House of Delegates.

Tom Woelfel is HCAP Partners’ Senior Director of Impact. Tom leads HCAP’s Gainful Jobs Approach and overall impact management efforts, partnering with HCAP portfolio companies and collaborating with limited partners and industry thought leaders to improve job quality for frontline workers and generate positive impact in low- to moderate-income communities. In addition, Tom is responsible for HCAP’s field-building initiatives and research, sharing findings, lessons learned, and evidence from HCAP’s Gainful Jobs Approach and experience as an impact investor. Prior to joining HCAP Partners, Tom served for over a decade as Director of Pacific Community Ventures’ research and consulting practice focused on impact investing where he...
developed tools and resources to support small businesses and investors in improving job quality.

**Edmund Wong** is the Chief Executive Officer of the Culinary Academy of Las Vegas, a nonprofit hospitality training institute and joint labor-management trust. Edmund is originally from Vancouver, Canada, but has lived in Las Vegas for the past 20 years. He is a classically trained chef and spent his career in various hotel/casino resorts around the globe, including Vice President of Food and Beverage at The Mirage and Executive Chef at the Bellagio Hotel & Casino. Edmund joined the Culinary Academy of Las Vegas in 2020 to enhance the student learning experience through new opportunities. He played integral roles in the opening of a new student-run restaurant and providing food assistance to families and displaced workers impacted by the pandemic. Edmund has identified and fostered key partnerships in Southern Nevada, driven growth in various programming initiatives, and strengthened resources for new and veteran workers in the Las Vegas hospitality industry.

As the National Domestic Workers Alliance’s Senior Policy Director, **Haeyoung Yoon** works on a range of issues at the intersection of the economy, jobs, gender, and families. Prior to joining NDWA and Care in Action, Haeyoung was Distinguished Taconic Fellow at Community Change, where she led a project to develop a forward-looking 21st century immigration vision and agenda. At the National Employment Law Project, Haeyoung was the Director of Strategic Partnerships and a Deputy Program Director where she led a first-of-its kind of initiative in California that brought together worker organizations and the Labor Commissioner’s office to develop community-driven strategies to enforce workplace standards. At the Urban Justice Center, she represented low-wage and immigrant workers working in service industries. Haeyoung also taught at the New York University School of Law and Brooklyn Law School. She currently serves as a member of the Biden-Harris Administration COVID-19 Equity Task Force.