

Dr. Yolanda H. Allen

Bio



Dr. Yolanda H. Allen is a visionary, a public servant, a wife and a mother of two. Committed to affecting positive social change in her community, Dr. Allen has used her more than 20 years of leadership experience to work with nonprofits, community-based organizations, and public sector organizations, heavily focused on targeting youth. In her current role as Director of Workforce Career Services, Dr. Allen directs federal and state funded employment and training programs for adults, dislocated workers, and young people. Additionally, Dr. Allen presently oversees adult education and family literacy programs, and New Jersey's 23 One-Stop Career Centers.

Dr. Allen formerly served as a Senior Director at the Philadelphia Youth Network. There, Dr. Allen managed the Program Implementation department, and ran the Philadelphia Summer Youth Employment Program where she provided more than 10,000 youth with year-round educational and employment opportunities. Dr. Allen also directed their Research and Evaluation unit, which developed best practices for serving youth and young adults. Lastly, Dr. Allen chaired the youth ministry at St. Paul's Baptist Church in West Chester, PA for over five years.

Dr. Allen received a Bachelor's Degree in Speech Communications from Iowa State University, a Master's Degree in Social and Political Ethics from The Claremont School of Theology, and a Doctorate in Public Administration from West Chester University.

Dr. Allen, a 14 year resident of the Tredyffrin Easttown School District in Berwyn, PA, and Dr. Allen is running to become the Region 1 School Board Director.

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