



Mari Offenbecher

Qualifications Summary

Mari brings over 35 years of leadership experience in the non-profit sector leading organizations to provide high quality service that is mission focused. She has demonstrated commitment to working toward racial equity through undoing institutional and structural racism and has experience guiding organizations toward anti-racist principles and practices. Mari is proficient in managing the administration, operations and finances of an organization, including evaluation and monitoring of fiscal and program performance to ensure operational effectiveness.

Professional History

Valtas Group	Consultant	2018 – Present
Launch	Interim Executive Director	2023 – 2024
Sound Child Care Solutions	Strategic Advisor	2022 – 2023
Cascade Bicycle Club / Washington Bikes	Interim Executive Director	2021
Launch	Interim Executive Director	2020
Community for Youth	Interim Executive Director	2019
Tiny Trees Preschool	Interim CEO	2018 – 2019
School's Out Washington	CEO	1990 – 2017

Accomplishments

- Served as Interim Executive Director for a 40-year-old non-profit organization providing early learning and afterschool services to over seven hundred children ages 3-12 in 12 Seattle Public Schools and Seattle Park and Recreation locations.
- Provided ongoing leadership and organizational development support to the board and executive staff; conducted organizational capacity assessment to guide growth and transformation of the organization; supported executive director transition process.
- Led the largest outdoor nature-based early learning program in North America serving over three hundred children in 9 public parks.
- Facilitated development of cross-functional teams and operational capacity building focused on mission alignment and responsive service delivery.
- Managed a team of forty-five staff and coaches as well as oversaw a budget of over 6 million dollars.
- Provided leadership to advance SOWA's critical role as the expert and backbone organization, working closely with public and private programs offered outside the traditional school day throughout the state.
- Supported 664 programs that impacted 94,000 youth and the training of 1,909 afterschool and summer learning program staff.
- In a one-year period, \$527,880 in grants distributed to programs and \$8.3 million in grants awarded.

Licenses / Education

- Advanced Child Development Studies, University of California, Berkeley, CA
- Bachelor of Arts in Child Development, California State University, Sacramento, CA

Previous Valtas Assignments

- Interim Executive Director, Launch 2023 - 2024
- Strategic Advisor, Sound Child Care Solutions, 2022 - 2023
- Interim Executive Director, Cascade Bicycle Club/Washington Bikes, 2021
- Interim Executive Director, Launch, 2020
- Interim Executive Director, Community for Youth, 2019
- Interim CEO, Tiny Trees, 2018 - 2019