

# Cheri L. Neal

Zion Township Supervisor/ Certified Professional Coach

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## Experience

### **Certified Professional Coach at iPEC Coaching**

November 2006 - Present (6 years 7 months)

I help those in elected office to stay grounded in who they are and why they are there so that other people can't pull them off track with their priorities and agendas.

### **Red Hat Trip Coordinator at Zion Park District**

April 2005 - Present (8 years 2 months)

I coordinate outings for the Queen Bees of Zion Red Hat Society, as well as drive the bus for their trips.

### **Zion Township Supervisor at Zion Township**

January 2001 - Present (12 years 5 months)

Responsible for over \$1,500,000 budget, 6 employees

"Compassionately challenging Zion residents to overcome hardships and encourage positive life changes."

### **Executive Director at CREW, Inc**

May 2001 - September 2012 (11 years 5 months)

Volunteered as the Executive Director to guarantee that substance abuse counseling services, as well as other social service programs, were available in the ZB community. Nicasa acquired CREW 10/1/12.

### **Seasonal Highway Maintainer at Illinois Department of Transportation**

October 1989 - April 2001 (11 years 7 months)

First woman to drive a snow plow for the State of Illinois as a highway maintainer.

### **Youth Group Director at Memorial United Methodist Church**

January 1992 - January 1995 (3 years 1 month)

Responsible for Overseeing 25 youth with spiritual education and activities.

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## Skills & Expertise

**Non-profits**

**Coaching**

**Customer Service**

**Customer Relations**

**Team Building**

**Teaching**

**Training**

**Leadership**  
**Public Relations**  
**Community Outreach**  
**Nonprofits**  
**Leadership Development**  
**Public Speaking**  
**Higher Education**  
**Program Development**  
**Workshop Facilitation**  
**Conflict Resolution**

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## Education

### **North Park University**

Masters in Management, Working towards this degree..2 classes to go!, 2007 - 2013

### **Institute for Professional Excellence in Coaching; iPEC**

Certified Professional Coach, PCC, ACC, ELI-MP, 2005 - 2006

### **University of Wisconsin-Parkside**

Double BS, Psychology/ Human Behavior in Society, 1985 - 1988

### **College of Lake County**

Associate of Arts, General Studies, 1982 - 1984

Activities and Societies: Student Senate - won Student Senator of the Year Award in 1984.

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## Honors and Awards

Township Officials of Illinois: Supervisor of the Year, Youth Services of the Year, Most Innovative Senior Program, presenter at 100th Anniversary Conference.

Local Hero Award, Pillar of the community Award, Enrique Camarena "One person Can Make A Difference Award, YWCA of LC Community Leadership Award, LC Most Influential African American Freedom Award, Catholic Charities Monsignor Holbrook Award.

## Interests

working with women in elected office, golf, jogging, yoga,raising monarch butterflies, being friends with Bill W., adventures

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