



### **Yvette Ewing - Community Developer**

Yvette is an Entrepreneur & Executive Director of (2) National Non-Profits -**The Fuller Center for Housing Hero Project Lake County** (*founders of Habitat for Humanity*) & **The Community Works**, a 22 city Workforce Development Program (*founded by Cincinnati Works*) that helps people come out of poverty.

Additional titles include Vice President of All Things Possible Associates, a resource development, training and consulting firm. She is a graduate of Southern Illinois University with a Bachelor's in Science in Workforce Development and Training.

Yvette is a 38-year community development leader who specializes in collaboration and innovative community programs for high-risk populations. She has designed and co-designed several national model programs for various international organizations. Recent successes include, an appointment to launch a "My Brother's Keeper" Affiliate under the Obama Foundation- "MBK Lake County." (International mentoring program for men of color)

She is a U.S. Army Veteran & certified life coach- she has trained and presented at faith-based, educational, corporate, local, and national conferences, inspiring people with her personal story of trials and victory.

She is an expert at writing and obtaining resources for communities. To date, she has obtained over \$15 million in grant funds, recruited and trained thousands of volunteers for various organizations.

Her greatest role is being a wife to Ronnel Ewing her best friend and business partner; mother of four children (Chris, Briana, Brandon, David) and 5 grandchildren (Cameron, Isaiah, Nehemiah, Josiah and Kai). She loves to serve the community and has served in ministry over 20+ years with youth & young adults at her church in Waukegan.

Yvette calls the work "The Hero Project": Creating strategic networks, (business, non-profits, government, civic) helping them maximize their "Superpowers" to eradicate poverty and create sustainable communities.

Favorite Quote – "The two most **IMPORTANT** days in your life are the day you were **BORN** and the day you find out **WHY** –Mark Twain