

Kelly Fitzgerald Trotter
Board Member

Kelly Fitzgerald Trotter is a non-profit specialist and has worked within the field for more than 20 years. Born in Plainfield, New Jersey and reared in Baltimore, Maryland, this Atlanta resident's professional experiences have been gleaned through volunteerism, contractual work, and full-time paid positions.

Upon entering college at Towson University as a Theater Arts major, Kelly envisioned life taking her to NYC to work as an actor; going from audition to audition. However, when offered the opportunity to work for Girl Scouts of Central Maryland as the Public Relations Assistant during her sophomore year, not only did she change her major to Mass Communications/Public Relations/Nonprofit emphasis, she could not imagine doing anything else. In 1984, Kelly became an initiated member of the illustrious Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

After graduating and working in her newly loved industry, in 1992, Kelly and her then-fiancé Manning, eloped on Christmas Eve morning. By 1996, their daughter Vanessa was born; 2003, their son Brandon.

Today, Kelly and her family live in Atlanta, Georgia. While her favorite role has been stay-at-home mom, in her career she has been a PTA president and vice president; volunteer coordinator; adult literacy program manager; family case manager; writer/editor; fundraiser; marketing and public relations specialist; community relations specialist; education coordinator; resident services coordinator; and a certified event coordinator. The common denominator to all these roles: service to others; teaching people how to empower themselves.

Currently, Kelly authors a monthly blog called Kelly's Klatch. An avid reader, Kelly loves participating in praise and worship at her church home, singing in the choir, music, traveling, spending quality time with her family, working in her sorority, and re-learning Spanish.