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Alandra L. Washington is the deputy director for the Family Economic Security and Education and Learning teams at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.

Alandra supports the vice president for programs in providing overall coordination of the teams' programming efforts in support of the Foundation's mission. She is responsible for grantmaking management and administration, and assists the vice president in providing day-to-day management and oversight of the teams' human, technical, and financial resources. In addition, Alandra manages a portfolio focused on philanthropic engagement and community philanthropy. She was the inaugural recipient of the of AAPIP's 2012 Banyan Tree Award for her extensive work and support of community philanthropy initiatives across the Asian American and Pacific Islander communities.

Alandra has over 15 years of experience managing national initiatives and leading nonprofit and philanthropic organizations. She brings extensive experience and knowledge in organizing communities for comprehensive change initiatives that include improving economic security of low-income families, community economic development, educational outcomes and capacity building and strategy development for non-profit organizations. Alandra has provided thought leadership and research in the areas of parental involvement in education, philanthropic engagement, and place-based change initiatives. Major contributions in these areas include published research, *A national study of parental involvement: Its trends, status, and effects on school success*. In addition she has coauthored a book chapter, "Resilience and opportunity: Lessons from the U.S. gulf coast after Katrina and Rita", and a Foundation Review research article, *Strategies for impacting change in communities of color*.

Prior to joining the Kellogg Foundation in May 2002, Alandra was chief executive officer of The Greater East St. Louis Community Fund. At The Fund, Alandra provided strategic and programmatic grant-making leadership in the areas of community and economic development, education, environmental justice, leadership development, and community engagement. Earlier, she was executive director and community organizer for the New Spirit Organizing Office of East St. Louis, IL where she provided in-depth community engagement leadership along with neighborhood leaders in addressing social, political, and economic inequities.

Alandra earned a bachelor's degree in business administration, and a master's degree in public policy and administration, from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, and was a doctoral candidate at St. Louis University, where she studied organizational theory and development. She holds a doctorate degree in educational leadership and organizational analysis from Western Michigan University.

In addition, she has served as a director of the Metropolitan Association of Philanthropy, co-chair of the St. Louis Nonprofit Services Consortium, and as a member of the East St. Louis Enterprise Zone Community Development Committee. She also has been involved with the East St. Louis Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority. She is currently a board member of the Association of Black Foundation Executives, Women's Funding Network, Living Cities and GenerationOn.



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