

## Theresa M. Miller

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### SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Cultivated and maintained ongoing productive relationships with regional public officials and the local foundation community
- Raised more than \$20 million in combined fundraising efforts for the Institute of Politics and community-based non-profit organizations
- Raised \$5 million endowment to support the establishment of the Institute of Politics Elsie Hillman Civic Forum
- Co-founded gender specific transitional living facility for women in recovery from addiction and abuse
- Confident and persuasive team-builder successful in motivating, communicating, and delivering exceptional educational and programmatic products
- Created neutral venues to cultivate and maintain productive relationships with regional public officials, local foundation community, and community, civic, business and labor leaders.
- Advanced issues relative to vulnerable populations—welfare reform, housing, education, healthcare, workforce development through dialogues with regional policy makers and cross-sector leadership.
- Succeeded in motivating, communicating, and delivering exceptional educational and programmatic products as a confident and persuasive team builder.
- Engaged in extensive community service.
- Committed to cultivating the next generation of public and private leaders
- Demonstrated commitment to missions of Institute and University with solid knowledge of university policies and procedures and the ability to set policies and procedures consistent with University guidelines
- Demonstrated personal integrity and ability to relate to and create trusting work and educational environments
- Excellent written, editorial and oral communication skills
- Dedicated to “nothing-but-the-best” performance

### EDUCATION

Master of Social Work	University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work	1992
Bachelor of Social Work	University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work	1990
	Women Studies Certificate	

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Director	Institute of Politics, University of Pittsburgh	2005 to present
Director	Elsie Hillman Civic Forum	2014 to present
Faculty, Visiting Lecturer	University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work	present
Deputy Director	Institute of Politics, University of Pittsburgh	1992-2005
Executive Director/Cofounder	PA Organization for Women in Early Recovery (POWER)	1989-1992
Prevention Specialist	Turtle Creek Valley MH/MR/D&A	1989-1991
DUI Therapist/Cofounder	Connections for Women Out-patient program Turtle Creek Valley MH/MR/D&A	1985-1989
Psychosocial Specialist	Gateway Rehabilitation Center, Aliquippa, PA	1983-1985
Personnel Administrator	Koppers Co., Inc., Pittsburgh, PA	1973-1983

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### RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Consultant/Organizer	Philanthropy, established Our Daily Bread Fund Dedicated fund to address childhood hunger in Pennsylvania The Pittsburgh Foundation	present
	Philanthropy, 100 Women Who Care	present
	Philanthropy, Women's Leadership Council United Way	present
	Member, U.S. Attorney Dick Thornburgh Forum Advisory Comm.	present
	Advisory Board Member, Provider-Targeted Behavioral Interventions to Prevent Unsafe Opioid Prescribing for Acute Non-Cancer Pain in Primary Care Study	present
	Member, Allegheny County Criminal Justice Task Force	2015-2016
	Member, U.S. Attorney's Regional Opioid Epidemic Task Force	2015-2016
	Power of 32 Regional Visioning Project	2009-2013
	Carlow University Established Grace Ann Geibel Center for Justice and Social Responsibility	2004-2010
Program/Systems Evaluator	University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health Center for Public Health Practice to evaluate Academic Health Department	2004
Program Evaluator	Allegheny County Department of Human Services Cross Systems Communication and Process Analysis	2001-2002
	The Pittsburgh Foundation Fulton/Gow Fellows	1999-2013
	The Pittsburgh Foundation GAPS II Initiative— educational/training program for low-wage, low-skill employees at UPMC	2001-2003
	The Pittsburgh Foundation <i>African American Flight from Pittsburgh Study</i>	1999
	Education Policy and Leadership Center	1999

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### RELATED PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (cont'd)

	The Pittsburgh Foundation GAPS Initiative—national demonstration project to address barriers to job retention under new TANF legislation	1998 -2001
	YWCA Center for Race Relations	1999 - 2005
	WQED on development of Youth and Violence Series	1995 - 1996
	Pennsylvania Department of Health, Office of Drug and Alcohol Programs on community organizing strategies needed for community-based treatment facilities	1994 to present
Nominating Committee Selection Committee	National H. John Heinz, III Awards, Heinz Family Foundation League of Women Voters Good Government Award	1995, 2006, 2008 2009
International Goodwill	Academic Liaison Japan-U.S. Women Leaders Network—Addressed community development, child welfare, education, public health and related women's issues	1995

### PRESENTATIONS and PUBLICATIONS

Fierce Women Project – Big Brothers/Big Sisters Presentations		present
<i>Criminal Justice in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century: Improving Incarceration Policies &amp; Practices in Allegheny County</i>		2016
<i>A Continuum of Care Approach: Western Pennsylvania's Response to the Opioid Epidemic</i>		2016
<i>Honey I Have an Idea—The Five Scariest Words Henry Hillman Ever Heard</i>		2016
<i>Sticks and Bones, Pittsburgh Quarterly Magazine</i>		2014
University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work Commencement Speaker		2009
Girls Coalition of Southwest Pennsylvania - Keynote Address Gender-Specific Programming: Holistic Empowerment of Girls		2009
Journal for Public Health Practice and Management, co-author <i>Connecting Silos: The legal bases for public health emergency response in Pennsylvania</i>		2005
American Public Health Association 133 <sup>rd</sup> annual conference Preparedness for Public Health Emergencies in Pennsylvania: The Legal and Policy Implications		2005
Editor and Publisher of Institute of Politics Publications:		1999-present

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### *Case Studies; REPORT Newsletter; Status Report; Issue Brief*

University of Pittsburgh, Learning & Training Center Conference, Aspen, Colorado 2002  
Cultural Diversity/Race Relations in the Work Place

YWCA—"Sister-to-Sister" Cross-cultural Dialogue Conference 2001  
Chatham College—Project Quest, Stigma of the Woman Alcoholic—Gender Issues and 1999  
Prevention & Intervention Strategies

10<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect Conference—Community Organizing: 1994  
Creating an Environment for Community Building and Continuum-of-Care Programs  
Democratic Delegation of Allegheny County –Legislative hearings before the to promote legislative 1994  
initiatives for funding streams for women and children in recovery from substance abuse

### **BOARD ASSIGNMENTS**

Pennsylvania Organization for Women in Early Recovery-Advisory Council present  
Albert Schweitzer Fellows Program – Pittsburgh Chapter-Advisory Council present  
Sustainable Pittsburgh 2006-2009  
Pittsburgh Action Against Rape 2006-2010  
Grace Ann Geibel Center for Justice and Social Responsibility 2004-2013

### **HONORS and AWARDS**

Pennsylvania Organization for Women in Early Recovery Seed of Hope Award 2013  
Legislative Office for Research Liaison (LORL) Faculty Associate 2005-2009  
University of Pittsburgh Alumnae Council Honoree Strong, Smart, Successful 2004  
Women in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century  
League of Women Voters Good Government Award, Institute of Politics 2003  
League of Women Voters Good Government Award as consultant to The Pittsburgh Foundation, 2001  
3-year welfare-to-work GAPS Initiative  
YWCA of Greater Pittsburgh's Racial Justice Award 2001  
Letter of Commendation, William J. Clinton, President, United States, for work on P.O.W.E.R. House 1998  
National finalist, United Way and J.C. Penney Golden Rule Award 1996  
United Way and J. C. Penny Golden Rule Award 1995

### **VOLUNTEER /COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Fundraiser, Legislative Liaison PA Organization for Women in Early Recovery (POWER) 1998 to present  
Instructor, Advisory Council  
  
Fundraiser, Event Organizer Pittsburgh Action Against Rape 2004-2010  
Instructor, Board Member  
  
Fundraiser, Public Relations Fashion-Africana 2004  
Event Organizer  
  
Program Development YWCA Center for Race Relations 2003  
  
Program Design Coordinator Penn Free—housing assistance program for low-income Americans 2002  
  
Fundraiser, Event Organizer Urban Youth Action 1996