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## **WOMEN'S WAY WELCOMES MYRA BROWN, NEW BOARD CHAIR**

*Ms. Brown takes the lead as Board Chair during critical time for gender and racial equity.*

PHILADELPHIA – WOMEN'S WAY is thrilled to welcome **Myra Brown** as their new Board Chair. Ms. Brown's leadership comes at a critical point for gender and racial equity following the overturning of *Roe v Wade*, in addition to ongoing economic inequality, gender-based violence, and leadership gaps faced by women – particularly women of color. Under Ms. Brown's leadership, WOMEN'S WAY will be strongly positioned to tackle these challenges by breaking down barriers to build a region where all women and girls can thrive.

"I care deeply about gender and racial equity for ALL women. This is the time for change and empowerment," **said Myra Brown, WOMEN'S WAY Board Chair.** "As Chair, I am working with the board, staff, funders, and community to bridge the divide and dismantle ideas around racism and sexism that have held back women and minorities for too long."

Ms. Brown is the CEO and owner of [NWON Opportunities, LLC](#), a MWBE Certified workforce development, recruitment, and retention management company located in Center City Philadelphia. Throughout her long and honored career, Myra has been an advocate for the disenfranchised to gain sustainable and long-term employment. With 34 years of Senior Human Resources and Executive Leadership experience, she has held positions as Director of the Philadelphia branch of CareersUSA; Regional Business Services Director for PA Careerlink; Deputy Executive Director of a local Human Services agency; and Director of Human Resources and Diversity for the Philadelphia Orchestra Association.

Ms. Brown has a certification in Professional Human Resources and is a graduate with several degrees from Temple University. She has been an instrumental member of the Boards of Directors for Girls Rock Philly, The Aids Law Project of Philadelphia, and the Philadelphia International Airport Capacity Enhancement Project. Myra was recently named a 2019 Woman Up and Minority Business Leader of the Year by the Philadelphia Business Journal and she is a Goldman Sachs 10KSB Alumni.

Ms. Brown, who joined the WOMEN'S WAY Board of Directors in 2018, succeeds Cynthia Ritter, who served as Board Chair from 2019-2022. View Ms. Brown's full bio [here](#). To learn more about Myra, her passion for economic wealth and pay equity advocacy, and her vision for the future of WOMEN'S WAY, view this "[Supporter Spotlight](#)" from last year.

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**ABOUT WOMEN'S WAY:**

[WOMEN'S WAY's](#) mission is to inspire and mobilize the community to invest in organizations and leaders that will advance the rights of and opportunities for women and girls and achieve gender equality for all. They hold a unique place in the nation's history as the first "umbrella" funding federation in the United States specifically dedicated to women's issues. Their organization was formed in the mid-1970s by seven women-led agencies that focused on wage equity, rape crises, domestic violence, reproductive freedom, and post-incarceration reentry. Because mainstream funding was not available for the progressive causes they championed, they joined together to raise a collective voice and generate critical funding for issues impacting women. Since our founding, WOMEN'S WAY has raised more than \$24 million to enhance the lives of women, girls and families, and to provide vital support to the agencies that serve them. To learn more, visit [womensway.org](http://womensway.org) and follow @womensway on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).

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