



Kelonda Maull was appointed Executive Director of the Waterbury Promise Program (WPP) in April 2022. She brings a wealth of knowledge to this role from her previous experience as the Executive Director of Horizons at the Foote School in New Haven, CT. In addition, she has an extensive track record leading as a positive change agent and advocates for equity in education for Connecticut's inner-city communities. Kelonda's background includes nonprofit leadership, management, and community engagement. Her portfolio spans New Haven, Bridgeport, and Hartford, Connecticut.

For the past twelve years, Kelonda has empowered New Haven and Bridgeport students on a path to and through post-secondary education during her time working in External Relations for Achievement First, as the Director of High School and College Programs for Horizons at Greens Farms Academy (HGFA) and as the Placement Director at Squash Haven. Her leadership has led high school and college scholars on a successful path of academic achievement and college completion. As Executive Director of Horizons at Foote, she strategically scaled the program in the following areas; program operations, staffing, fundraising and development, community partnerships and engagement, and increased the program's visibility in the community.

Kelonda's passion and commitment to service and fulfilling WPP's mission are personal to her. She leads by example and believes in the power of education as a steppingstone to significant opportunities and self-growth in life. She is an avid mentor in her community and actively gives back to future generations. Kelonda has been a member of multiple non-profit leadership boards and currently supports the Black Executive Coalition as a founding member and the Greater New Haven Community Foundation's Non-Profit Management Cohort for Emerging Leaders of Color.

Kelonda earned a bachelor's degree from the New York Institute of Technology, a Master's degree in Public Administration, and a Certificate in Non-Profit Management from the University of New Haven.

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Dear Board of Alders and Aldermanic Affairs Committee,

Thank you for your attention to my application to serve on the Youth Commission for the City of New Haven. I'm a New Haven native and recently purchased a home on the Westville side of town. I've lived and worked in New Haven for over a decade, serving youth across K-12 and college, and I'm looking to stay involved as I work in Waterbury, CT. Currently, I'm leading the Waterbury Promise Scholarship Program for inner-city students to gain access and financial/economic mobility while attending post-secondary education across CT. Though I work in Waterbury, I want to be intentional about staying involved with my New Haven community which is dear to my heart, as I've built long-lasting relationships in the community. My presence, expertise, and positive spirit will be an excellent addition to the Youth Commission. My career supporting New Haven's youth through a non-profit lens has stopped, but I want to join the city's efforts on a local level, ensuring our youth continue to have a voice, feel supported, and have equitable resources.

Sincerely,

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