

Community Engagement Advisory Board

Scott Aseltine (he/him), Karuk Tribe of Northern California



Ayukīi (Hello), my name is Scott Aseltine, and I serve as the Education Director for the Karuk Tribe of Northern California. I spent my formative years in Michigan and pursued my studies in Economics and Spanish Literature at Kalamazoo College. Following my graduation, I relocated to New York City and taught high school in the Bronx. In 2020, I made the decision to move to Happy Camp, California to contribute to the development of our Karuk Youth and work on behalf of my tribe.

Lisa Countryman-Quiroz (she/her), Jewish Vocational & Career Counseling Service



Lisa Countryman-Quiroz joined JVS in 2013 and became CEO in January 2020. Under Lisa's leadership, JVS has continued to flourish while evolving JVS programs and services to meet the rapidly changing needs of our current economic environment. Leading with empathy and vision, Lisa has set a 10-year strategic vision for JVS which will drive scaled impact and systems and policy change. Supporting this ambitious vision is a commitment to working in partnership across the social service ecosystem and creating and fostering a culture of learning and inclusivity to support the whole JVS

community in achieving their full potential. Lisa currently sits on the Executive Committee and Stakeholder group for the California Worker Equity Initiative, the UCSF Healthforce Pathfinder council, the C2C Community Engagement Advisory Board, and the National Skills Coalition WIOA advisory council. Lisa holds a master's degree in Comparative Literature from SUNY Buffalo and a bachelor's degree in German and Classics from Loyola University Chicago.

Natalia Tonatiuh Gonzalez (she/her/ella), Riverside County Office of Education



Born and raised in the Eastern Coachella Valley, Natalia Tonatiuh Gonzalez is the Community Engagement and Partnership Representative at the Riverside County Office of Education, where she focuses on building strategic partnerships to enhance educational opportunities across the region. With years of experience in education and public service, Natalia holds a Bachelor's degree in Political Science from UCLA and a Master's degree in Communication from California Baptist University. She is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Organizational Change and Leadership

from the University of Southern California.

Dar'rell Jones (he/him), Blu Educational Foundation



My name is Dar'rell Jones, and I am a proud 2nd generational native of San Bernardino, California, where all 11 of my aunts and uncles were also born and raised. I graduated from California State University, San Bernardino with a degree in Biology and Business Administration. As a first-generation college graduate, I developed a deep passion for helping other first-generation students navigate their academic and career journeys. This passion has driven me to spend the past 5 years at BLU Educational Foundation, where I currently serve as the Career Program Manager. In this

role, I oversee all of the organization's career programming and collaborate with K-12 school districts, higher education institutions, and companies to create streamlined and purposeful career pathways.