

Kimberly Vann

Kimberly is the Director of Foundation Relations and Grants at the Greater Chicago Food Depository. Her responsibilities include deepening foundation support, as well as government grant opportunities, plus leading strategy for the Foundation Relations and Grants team. Prior to joining the Food Depository, Kimberly was the Director of Development at the Safer Foundation. She has previously served as Associate Director of Communications and Education at the Illinois Nurses Association and Communications Coordinator at the American Bar Association.

Kimberly received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Broadcast Communications from Columbia College Chicago. She has authored articles on mentoring, diversity and communications which have appeared in local and national association publications. She has also produced and moderated workshops for the Philanthropy Club of Chicago and the Imagining America National Gathering.

Kimberly is committed to building relationships beneficial to organizations by creating an environment of trust and collaboration among internal and external stakeholders. A past AFP Chicago Peer Mentoring protégé and Fellow, Kimberly served on the AFP Chicago board from 2019 until 2023 and is currently a Mentor in AFP's Peer Mentoring Program.

In June 2023, she obtained the Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) credential.