## Yashica Weeks, CFRE, CAP®

Yashica Weeks is an experienced non-profit leader with over fifteen years of experience in philanthropic development and fundraising. She has achieved success in the following not-for profit sectors: performing arts, higher education, healthcare and community foundations. From her time as a legislative aide in state government through to her tenure working with individuals, families and closely held business owners who wish to strategically articulate and facilitate their charitable intentions, Yashica has utilized her unique ability to get to the "why" for building mutually beneficial relationships.

In 2017, Yashica earned a Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) designation and attained her Chartered Advisor in Philanthropy (CAP®) certification in 2023. As a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals (AFP), Chicago Chapter, Yashica has served as a course facilitator and mentor. Yashica is also an active board member for Grow Wellness Foundation.

She currently volunteers as a mentor for the Three Pillars Initiative, providing teens with leadership skills and experiences designed to foster community philanthropy in the next generation. Her passion for people, philanthropy and purpose is her motivation. Yashica received a bachelor's degree in public affairs and entrepreneurship from Columbia College of South Carolina and a master's degree in higher education administration, with a concentration in institutional advancement, from Bay Path University.