



Yashica Weeks

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Yashica Weeks is a major gift officer with Elmhurst Memorial Hospital. In this new position, she is building a major gift pipeline and program of engaged donors who have a shared commitment of impacting and improving the health of our communities. Prior to making the shift to healthcare in 2019, Yashica spent 11 years in higher education philanthropy.

Her understanding and love for philanthropy was born on the backdrop of the financial crisis of 2008. She has worked in event planning, stewardship, annual giving, as well as major/planned giving. Yashica was selected a mentee by the AFP-Chicago Peer Mentoring Committee in 2014, and earned her Certified Fund Raising Executive (CFRE) designation in 2017. She has come full circle by joining the Peer Mentor Committee and looks forward to giving back to the field that she says has given so much to her.

Yashica holds a bachelor's degree in public affairs and entrepreneurship from Columbia College of South Carolina, as well as a Masters of Higher Education Administration with a concentration in institutional advancement from Bay Path University.