

Board of Directors
Committees Assignments
(rev. 2025-12-16)

OFFICERS

Judge James H. Cecile, Board Pres.& Dev. Chair
Paula Freedman, 1st VP
Shirley Copes, 2nd VP, & Planning Chair
Robert T. Tackman, Treasurer, & Finance Chair
Erich W. Shafer, Secretary

Sectors Represented

Elected Official (Syracuse City County Judge James H. Cecile)
Private
Elected Official (Syr. Common Council President Helen Hudson)
Low Income (Eastside FRC)
Private

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Judge James H. Cecile, Board Pres.& Dev. Chair
Paula Freedman, 1st VP
Shirley Copes, 2nd VP, & Planning Chair
Robert T. Tackman, Treasurer, & Finance Chair
Erich W. Shafer, Secretary
Jason J. Wallace (EEO/Personnel Acting Chair)

Elected Official (Syracuse City County Judge James H. Cecile)
Private
Elected Official (Syr. Common Council President Helen Hudson)
Low Income (Eastside FRC)
Private
Private

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Judge James H. Cecile (Chair)
Nicholas J. DeMartino
Robert T. Tackman
Erich W. Shafer

Elected Official (Syracuse City County Judge James H. Cecile)
Low Income (Foster Grandparent Program)
Low Income (Eastside FRC)
Private

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Robert T. Tackman (Chair)
Eric J.T. Caballero
Patricia Usherwood Fitzpatrick
Mitayah Donerlson

Low Income (Eastside FRC)
Private
Elected Official (Onondaga County Comptroller Martin D. Masterpole)
HS/EHS Policy Council President

EEO/PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

Jason J. Wallace (Acting Chair)
Christopher Montgomery
Edward Perry

Private
Low Income (CNY Works)
Private

PLANNING COMMITTEE

Shirley Copes (Chair)
Paula Freedman
Steve Hodgins
Tysha Martin

Elected Official (Syr. Common Council President Helen Hudson)
Private
Low Income (Big Brothers Big Sisters Program)
Elected Official (Syr. Common Councilor-At-Large Rasheada Caldwell)

BOARD REP. TO THE POLICY COUNCIL

Paula Freedman, 1st VP

Private

ROTATING

Michael W. La Flair

Elected Official (Town of Camillus, 3rd Ward Councilor Michael W. La Flair)

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEES

Dinner Committee:

Erich W. Shafer
Robert T. Tackman
Patricia Usherwood Fitzpatrick