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CEOGC announces new President/CEO

The Council for Economic Opportunities in Greater Cleveland (CEOGC) has named Dr. Jacklyn Chisholm as their new President and Chief Executive Officer. After an extensive national search led by an independent search committee that featured a retired United States Senator, pastors, attorneys and other prominent local officials, Dr. Chisholm was selected to lead Cuyahoga County's Community Action Agency. Dr. Chisholm has extensive experience in organizational and program development, strategic planning and fostering effective partnerships and collaborations with a variety of different kinds of organizations.



Dr. Jacklyn Chisholm

Dr. Chisholm most recently served as the Chief Executive Officer at the Global Music Cultural Center, a state-of-the-art museum, library and cultural center planned for Atlanta, Georgia, and has a lifetime of connections to the Greater Cleveland community. She has held senior leadership positions at both the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and Museum and at Case Western Reserve University, her alma mater. This diverse experience makes Dr. Chisholm uniquely qualified to manage the complex programs and services under the CEOGC umbrella.

“CEOGC conducted an exhaustive, nationwide search for a new President,” says George Forbes, the Chairman of the Board of Directors for CEOGC. “We were very happy to learn that we had some from Cleveland with leadership and vision to lead us into the future. I look forward to working with her.”

Dr. Chisholm has undergraduate and graduate degrees from Case Western Reserve University, as well as a PH.D. in Psychological Anthropology also from Case Western Reserve. She is very active with a multitude of local organizations and associations, having served on the Boards of the Consortium of African American Organizations, the Center for Community Solutions and the Antioch Development Corporation, among others.

“I am extremely honored that the Board of Directors selected me to lead an organization that provides such diverse programs and services to the community,” says Dr. Chisholm. “At its heart, CEOGC is about changing lives, transforming lives, and I’m excited to get started.”

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