



Barbara Ankamah Burford (Moderator)

Barbara Ankamah Burford is the Vice President of Philanthropy and Community Impact for Wells Fargo, overseeing philanthropy for the greater San Antonio Market and ensuring Wells Fargo supports impactful non-profit work in the areas of financial health, small business growth and housing affordability. She has over 20+ years of experience administering programs that support small businesses, workforce initiatives, first-time homebuyers, affordable housing, and neighborhood engagement. Beginning her career as the Vice President of Business Development for the San Antonio Hispanic

Chamber of Commerce in 2001, Barbara was responsible for ensuring the networking, procurement, and financial needs of small businesses were successfully met through the delivery of tailored small business programs and services

In 2006, Barbara joined the City of San Antonio's Economic Development Department and guided the partnership efforts with various economic development cohorts at the local, state, and regional levels to maximize education and training resources which resulted in job growth and workforce viability for San Antonio residents. Barbara has also held leadership roles in the other City departments such as the Neighborhood & Housing Services Department where she has successfully managed federally funded housing programs and supported the delivery of the City's affordable housing goals. In addition, Barbara has led the engagement of over 440 neighborhood associations, HOAs, and community organizations, by developing workshops, trainings, and resources that support capacity building for San Antonio neighborhoods.

Barbara is a graduate of Our Lady of the Lake University. She enjoys spending time with her daughter and traveling with family and friends.



Katherine Lucas McKay

Katherine Lucas McKay is an Associate Director at the Aspen Institute Financial Security Program, where they lead research on topics including net worth, consumer debt and student loans, inclusive ownership strategies, and housing security. Katherine was previously the Associate Director of Government Affairs at Prosperity Now, where they led the organization's policy work on homeownership, entrepreneurship, and consumer financial protection. They have also held positions at the National Community Reinvestment Coalition and Georgetown University.

Katherine holds a Master's degree in Public Policy and Management from Carnegie Mellon University's Heinz School of Public Policy and Information Systems and a BA from Wellesley College. They serve on the Silver Spring Citizens Advisory Board of Montgomery County, Maryland and on the steering committee for Montgomery for All in Montgomery County, Maryland. Katherine's work has been featured in the New York Times, Washington Post, Vox, CNN, CNBC, Greater Greater Washington, and other media outlets.



Georgia Reagan

Georgia Reagan serves as strategy officer for employment-aligned credentials for Lumina Foundation, an independent, private foundation in Indianapolis that is committed to making opportunities for learning beyond high school available to all.

Reagan joins Lumina Foundation from Mi Casa Resource Center, a non-profit organization in Denver, where for the last two years she led an innovative employer and higher education partnership to increase upskilling and diversification efforts in the financial sector through a stackable credential pathway. Reagan previously worked as associate director of admissions at Emily Griffith Technical College, a public technical college in Denver where she led equitable recruitment, assessment, and one-stop student services for the school's primarily adult and first-generation college student population.



Ireri Rivas Mier y Teran

Ireri Rivas Mier y Teran oversees a portfolio of grants focusing on supporting and addressing basic needs for postsecondary students from underserved backgrounds. Prior to joining ECMC Foundation, Ireri worked with TheDream.US, a national scholarship provider for undocumented college students where she managed the student success initiatives for more than 3,000 scholars at more than 70 partner colleges. Previously, Ireri worked at the University of Chicago where she focused on advancing the success and persistence of undocumented, first-generation, lower-income, immigrant students

and students of color at the undergraduate and graduate level. Her expertise lies in working with students to advance their empowerment and working with institutions to improve policies, practices, and protocols that advance college success and remove barriers for historically underrepresented students.

Ireri holds an MA from the University of Chicago and a BA from the University of Nevada, Reno.