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VICE PRESIDENT FOR COMMUNITY RESEARCH AND GRANTS MANAGEMENT

Dan joined The Columbus Foundation in 2004. His responsibilities include overseeing the development and implementation of grant policies, program priorities, and strategic grantmaking. Under his leadership, the Community Research and Grants Management team plays a unique role in convening community discussions around areas of need, and participating in community initiatives and partnerships to address these needs.

Prior to this role, Dan has contributed to the Foundation in multiple capacities—most recently as Director of Community Leadership and Nonprofit Effectiveness. Additionally, he has served as an officer for Community Research and Grants Management, online media manager for Communications and Marketing, and project manager of easyColumbus, the regional college student engagement and retention effort where he managed the program’s research, construction, and implementation.

In 2016, Dan was selected to participate in the Harvard Business School Executive Education Young American Leaders Program (YALP)—a program of the U.S. Competitiveness Project at Harvard Business School. He is a graduate of Leadership Columbus, a past co-chair of the Create Columbus Commission, and was recognized as one of Columbus Business First’s 40 Under 40 for 2019.

Dan is a 2006 graduate of Ohio Wesleyan University with a Bachelor of Arts in politics and government, and has a Masters of Public Administration from the Voinovich School of Leadership & Public Affairs at Ohio University, Athens.

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