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YWCA KALAMAZOO NAMES GRETTA TERRENTINE AS DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

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KALAMAZOO, MI – Gretta Terrentine will join the YWCA Kalamazoo as the new Director of Development and Marketing, beginning on August 15. In her new role, Terrentine will plan, coordinate, and implement all aspects of the development program including fundraising, public relations and marketing initiatives. She will also work closely with CEO Grace Lubwama to manage donor and membership relationships and activities that further implement the YWCA's mission of eliminating racism and empowering women.

“The YWCA Kalamazoo is thrilled to bring such a strong female leader managing our development strategy and team” states Grace Lubwama, CEO of YWCA Kalamazoo. “We are looking forward to working with Gretta not only because of her strong fund development background, but also due to her proven commitment to our mission of eliminating racism and empowering women.”

Terrentine is an accomplished leader in the nonprofit sector with strong community ties. She previously served as the Development Director at Ministry with Community, the Executive Director of the Greg Jennings Foundation, and in Community Investment at the Kalamazoo Community Foundation prior to joining our team. She has a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration and is completing her Master's Degree in Public Administration from Western Michigan University.

“I passionately believe in the critical work of the YWCA Kalamazoo and am inspired by its leadership and strategic approach to generating real change.” said Terrentine. “I look forward to joining the team and the mission and continuing to positively impact lives in this community.”

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About the YWCA of Kalamazoo

The YWCA of the USA, of which the YWCA of Kalamazoo is a member Association, is the oldest, largest autonomous women's membership organization in the world. YWCA Kalamazoo is dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. The YWCA of Kalamazoo, the oldest Association in Michigan, was founded in 1885 and began as a residence service provider to young women who gravitated to the city to work in its factories. Today, the YWCA provides the only shelter, crisis intervention services and an array of post crisis shelter supportive housing options specifically designed and operating for victims of domestic violence and their dependent children; the only services of our kind for adult sexual assault survivors, including medical forensic exams in a non-hospital setting, supportive volunteers and counseling; one of very few licensed child care centers that both offers tuition assistance and accepts government subsidies; and services to the community-at-large, focusing on racial justice.

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