Henfield-Green ‘Humbled and Honored’ About Joining Camillus Board

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Janet Henfield-Green has more than two decades of experience in the banking and finance industry, most recently in finance within the private sector with ARI Financial Group, which she joined in January 2022. The firm handles wealth strategies and planning for high-net-worth clients, by helping them protect their families and transfer their wealth and legacy through Whole Life Insurance. Prior to this, she served as Senior Vice President and Market Manager for a reputable Florida community bank, after serving in various roles with global banking institutions throughout Florida, New York, and The Bahamas.

Most recently, throughout her Community banking career, Henfield-Green has been involved in the communities that she served, namely through volunteering at Camillus House feeding the homeless; providing financial literacy discussions at Lotus House, a women’s shelter for domestic abuse; and local high schools teaching financial literacy. She has also served as treasurer with the North Miami Beach Chamber for the past four years where she met Evan Piper. "After joining the private sector, I wanted to continue to be involved in the community that I served in causes that are near and dear to my heart, such as the basic needs of health, housing and financial literacy."

Piper, who serves as president of the North Miami Beach Chamber, and who also currently serves on the Camillus Health Concern (CHC) board as Chairman, introduced her to Francis Afram-Gyening, CEO of CHC, about a year ago and recommended her to the board based on her finance and banking experience.

She said when she walked into CHC, she was very impressed with the facility and staff, and highly impressed with Francis and everything he did for the community. "Knowing there is such a large homeless population in Florida and South Florida, it is an honor to work with CHC which provides them with all their medical needs." CHC makes available primary care, behavioral health, oral health, and social services to those experiencing homelessness in Miami-Dade County.

"So when Francis asked me to join I was humbled and honored, and didn't think about it twice. They tell me that even though the board has a healthy ratio of women to men serving from various backgrounds, I am the first woman to represent them from the finance industry, which was exciting to hear."

Having just recently joined the board, Henfield-Green said she is looking forward to embracing CHC’s mission and vision. "I hope my experience will bring valuable insight to the conversations."

Henfield-Green said the first board meeting with the Finance Committee and board was extremely interactive, with meaningful conversation, and she was happy she could be a part of the interaction. "It's a really experienced group of individuals from all areas, business owners from different industries, so not only am I bringing my knowledge to the table – anything I can offer to the board – but I also see this as an amazing opportunity for me to learn from each one of them and their businesses and industries. It's a journey I'm looking forward to having."

Piper added, "We are really excited to welcome Janet to our Board of Directors as I have professionally known her for many years. I am sure her expertise in her field will be of great value to our organization."

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