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## **Professional Summary Statements**

- Energetic career development professional with over 30 years of combined experience in career services and human resources.
- Experience working with a diverse population.
- Innovative, strong presenter with experience leading webinars and facilitating in-person workshops.
- Proven ability to leverage technology and develop and deliver impactful career-related content
- 25 years of planning, design, zoning and advertising

## **Leadership traits:**

- High-performing, strategic-thinking professional with more than 30 years' experience in employment services.
- 10 Years in the non-profit sector
- 8 Year on Dekalb County Board of Education
- Experienced at managing projects from the requirements gathering/needs identification phase through to completion.
- Highly Skilled at relationship building with clients and across organization and teams; presenting, and interpersonal communication skills. Adept as assessing needs, generating options, and implementing solutions in collaboration with clients and stakeholders. Well-versed in all phases of recruitment and hiring, including defining job roles, assessing needed skills and qualifications, and evaluating candidates.
- I am a servant leader, which means that I put the Community 'needs first and not a personal agenda. I don't believe in making decisions that are self-serving, because that discourages others from following, and eventually makes our Community ineffective.

## **Professional and Volunteer Experience:**

- Elected for two four-year term on the Dekalb County School Board District 5
- Owned and operated my own businesses in Dekalb County.
- Over 34 years in the food service, Managing People & Product and Profit
- Elected as the District 11 Director for Georgia PTA which include Dekalb, Newton, Rockdale.
- Elected as the District Director chairperson for Georgia PTA
- Member of Georgia School Board Association 8 years.
- Member of National School Board Association 8 years
- Elected as President of Martin Luther King High School PTSA
- Serve as member of school Council for McNair High School and Brown Mill Elementary
- Serve on the Male Involvement Committee for Georgia PTA
- Co-Founder of South Dekalb Parents council.