

**Shoshana Ben-Yoar**

*Statement of Interest, DeKalb County Women's Commission January 2026*

I am honored to express my deep commitment to serving the wellbeing of women and girls as a prospective member of the DeKalb County Women's Commission.

For over 20 years, my career has been dedicated to assisting non-profits, many serving DeKalb County, to raise millions of dollars. This funding has enabled them to address urgent community needs and sustain and grow services for the most vulnerable members of our community. This includes many organizations serving women and girls: YWCA of Greater Atlanta, Women's Resource Center, Cool Girls, Boys & Girls Club of Metro Atlanta, GCAPP, Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta, among many others.

Working daily alongside the thought leaders serving the needs of women and girls gives me a unique lens and deep understanding of both the ongoing and emerging needs within the specific focus areas of the commission: health equity, employment, safety, and quality of life.

Because of my work in the non-profit industry, particularly grant writing, I am uniquely qualified to offer insight and direction to access federal, state, and local funding and have done so for countless organizations resulting in the securing of multi million dollar awards. I am deeply passionate about issues affecting women and girls and would be honored to work at the county level as a member of the DeKalb County Women's Commission to benefit their wellbeing.