

Margaret Gray Connelly, Senior Consultant



Margaret Connelly joined Coxe Curry & Associates in April 2017. She brings 20 years of philanthropic and nonprofit leadership experience to her role as a Senior Consultant, helping our clients to create sustainable and impactful operations and programming.

Margaret's most recent experience is with The Eplan Group, where she assisted both family and corporate foundations in developing giving plans to achieve greater community engagement. Her work also included strategic planning and capacity-building for organizations such as Emory University, Quality Care for Children, and Kennesaw State University.

Prior to joining Coxe Curry, Margaret held leadership positions at Park Pride, serving as its Executive Director, and The Arthur M. Blank Family Foundation, where she was Vice President for Programs. With Park Pride, she helped grow the organization's operating reserves, capital improvement budget, and programmatic efforts, including an effort to increase community gardens and urban agriculture opportunities in Atlanta. At the Blank Foundation, she was primarily responsible for overseeing its early childhood education and post-secondary readiness portfolio. Margaret also helped to develop, execute, and manage the foundation's Inspiring Spaces grantmaking strategy, aimed at creating accessible, amenity-rich, and well-maintained parks and green spaces. Previously, she worked with United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta, expanding community and corporate partnerships and leading fundraising campaigns.

A graduate of Syracuse University, Margaret was selected as a Hull Fellow by the Southeastern Council of Foundations and for the Emerging Leaders Program at Columbia University. She also has served on the national board of the Funders' Network for Smart Growth, where she held an officer position, and chaired its Inclusiveness Committee. She currently serves on the board of The May P. and Francis L. Abreu Charitable Trust.

Margaret and her husband, Matt, have two young children and she is an active volunteer at their schools.

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