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#### Work Location:

City

## My company will cover travel costs:

Yes

## Area of Expertise:

- Policy
- Affordable Housing Policy
- Coalition Building

# **Preferred Presentation Format:**

- Conference Panel
- Virtual Presentation
- Keynote Speaker
- Podcast

### Bio:

Tina is the Policy and Advocacy Director for the Greenville Housing Fund. She works on advocating for policy change and fostering community engagement around affordable housing to remove barriers and increase commitment to this scarce resource. She currently oversees the Greenville Affordable Housing Coalition, a collective impact group focused on cutting the city's and county's affordable housing needs in half over the next ten years.

As a former planner at both Greenville County and Greenville County Redevelopment Authority she developed neighborhood, master, and comprehensive plans, administered programs for those experiencing homelessness, as well as those living in substandard housing. She also served as the Executive Director of Keep Greenville County Beautiful, an environmental non-profit focused on community engagement and placemaking and ran for State Senate in 2019.

As someone who grew up in substandard housing and has faced housing instability, she was drawn to Community Development and Affordable Housing to help solve societal problems. Her volunteerism includes heading up the Young Voter Coalition, an organization run by young people for young people, with a focus on voter registration and civic engagement. She also serves on the boards of SC Women's Affordable Housing Network and United Way's Young Leaders Society.

She is an alum of UNC Chapel Hill's MPA program, where she focused on Community and Economic Development. Her and her husband moved to the area ten years ago to live closer to Tina's family from the upstate. They also have a family of their own: two daughters, Sammy and Robin, and their two dogs, Lily and Ruff.