

The Executive Director for the Pittsburgh Gender Equity Commission has been selected and the first commissioner is on board!

We are thrilled to announce that anupama (anu) jain will be the Executive Director and Lee Fogarty will be the commissioner representing our Pittsburgh for CEDAW Coalition!

anupama (anu) jain specializes in cross-sector diversity and inclusion education, with an emphasis on cultural competency, global awareness, and social justice.

After earning a PhD in literary and cultural studies, anu spent more than a decade in higher education conducting original research, teaching varied topics, and supporting equity initiatives. Her major publication is the book *How to Be South Asian in America: Narratives of Ambivalence and Belonging* (Temple University Press, 2011), which investigates how immigration patterns have changed America, including work, home, and families. The major narrative explored in the book is the American Dream.

In 2014, anu founded Inlusant, working with individual organizations, creating coalitions and networks, and designing original professional development programming.

Anu's dedication and life experiences in addressing intersectional gender equity challenges makes her an excellent choice for the Gender Equity Executive Director.

Lee Fogarty has extensive Pittsburgh City Commission experience, having served for nearly a decade on the Pittsburgh Commission on Human Relations

In addition to her Commission experience, Lee is an active member of our Pittsburgh for CEDAW Steering committee and worked to pass the Gender Equity Ordinance.

In Pittsburgh, Lee has over 20 years of involvement with Zonta International – Pittsburgh Club. Zonta International has been involved in every successful City for CEDAW effort in the USA. Lee has also volunteered with the Women's Center and Shelter, the American Association of University Women, the Executive Women's Council of Greater Pittsburgh. She also brings expert qualifications as a mental health professional and executive coach.

Lee serves on the national Cities for CEDAW committee and participates in the annual commission on the Status of Women meetings at the UN. This year she presented the successful Pittsburgh for CEDAW Campaign!

Lee will bring a unique and valuable combination of skills, experiences, and strategic relationships to the commission, which will help it succeed.

It feels good to finally get started! I will share with everyone as our Pittsburgh Gender Equity Commission adds new commissioners.

When women succeed, communities thrive!

Marcia Bandes, Chair, Pittsburgh for CEDAW Coalition