



Port of Greater Cincinnati
Development Authority

Deborah Robb – Director of Economic Inclusion

Deborah Robb is the Director of Economic Inclusion for the Port of Greater Cincinnati Development Authority and brings over 17 years of experience in the area of supplier diversity and economic inclusion. Her experience includes working with and establishing valued relationships with Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) and Women Business Enterprises (WBE) as well as corporate stakeholders and various community leaders and constituent groups. Since joining the Port Authority in 2004, Ms. Robb has met or exceeded established economic inclusion goals of 25% MBE, 7% WBE and 30% Small Business Enterprise (SBE) participation on Port Authority assisted projects. She also developed a comprehensive database of diverse suppliers and a comprehensive documented strategy for implementing the Port Authority's economic inclusion policy.

Her direction in economic inclusion assisted the Port Authority in receiving the Going Above and Beyond award in 2005 for supplier diversity from the Cincinnati USA Chamber of Commerce as well as receipt of the 2007 Industry Innovator Award from the Cincinnati Chapter of Commercial Real Estate Women. In 2008, Ms. Robb was selected by the Minority Business Enterprise Input Committee of the South Central Ohio Minority Supplier Development Council as the MBE Advocate of the Year. She is also a past recipient of the YMCA Black Achievers Award.

Ms. Robb holds a B.A. in Communications Arts from the University of Cincinnati where she was a minority scholarship recipient. She is also a graduate of the Urban League of Greater Cincinnati's African American Leadership Development Program (Class III), Leadership Cincinnati (Class XXX), Project Blueprint and the Turner School of Construction Management.

Ms. Robb is currently a board member of the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky African American Chamber of Commerce where she leads the Economic Development Committee. She is on the board of Pro Seniors and is on the advisory committees of the Greater Cincinnati Minority Counsel Program and the Greater Cincinnati Energy Alliance. Ms. Robb was recently selected to participate on the Tri-State Health Care Supplier Diversity Consortium. She is currently a member and past Chairperson of the Local Advisory Committee for the South Central Ohio Minority Supplier Development Council. Ms. Robb has also been involved in community initiatives such as serving as Vice-Chair of the Board of Directors for the Sickle Cell Awareness Group, and as a board member and Secretary for the Cincinnati Business Incubator.