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Advancing Macomb Expands Team to Strengthen Nonprofit and Community Impact

Mount Clemens, Mich. (Nov. 14, 2025) – <u>Advancing Macomb</u>, a 501c3 that convenes resources to solve community challenges and enrich the lives of Macomb County residents, has expanded its team with the addition of Nyesha Motley as program manager and SeRena Chambers as administrative manager.

These new additions will enhance Advancing Macomb's ability to support local nonprofits, build stronger partnerships and advance initiatives that strengthen communities across Macomb County.

Motley brings a strong background in program management and community engagement to her new position with Advancing Macomb. She has years of experience leading outreach initiatives, managing teams and strengthening partnerships that support families and communities. Motley's previous experience includes roles with the Women, Infant & Children (WIC) Program and United Way for Southeastern Michigan.

As program manager, Motley will oversee Advancing Macomb's advisory services and grantmaking initiatives. She will provide resource navigation and technical assistance to local nonprofits, offer leadership coaching to strengthen organizational capacity and manage grant programs that expand support for nonprofit organizations across Macomb County.

"Nyesha's expertise and enthusiasm for connecting people and resources make her an outstanding addition to our team," said Phil Gilchrist, executive director of Advancing Macomb. "She will play a key role in expanding the reach and effectiveness of our programs that support local nonprofits."

Chambers, who joins as administrative manager, brings extensive experience in nonprofit management and professional development to her new position. Her previous roles include working with the Michigan Minority Business Development Council, where she served as a professional development administrator, supporting various administrative functions, including all professional development initiatives. Her work received two certificates of tribute from the Governor of Michigan.



In her new role, Chambers will manage internal operations and administrative systems, ensuring efficiency and compliance across the organization. She will also play a key role in coordinating logistics for Advancing Macomb's signature events, including the Summer Soirée and Community Engagement Summit.

"SeRena will play an important role in advancing our operations and internal systems," said Gilchrist. "Together, Nyesha and SeRena bring the talent and energy needed to sustain Advancing Macomb's momentum and deepen our community impact. We are thrilled to have them join our team."

About Advancing Macomb

Advancing Macomb is a 501c3 that convenes resources to solve community challenges and enrich the lives of Macomb County residents. The organization provides the philanthropic model and leadership needed to cement partnerships between the nonprofit, public and private sectors, identify and attract resources to fund major projects and programs, and increase Macomb County's visibility. For more information about Advancing Macomb, visit advancingmacomb.com.



Nyesha Motley, Program Manager

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