

## Diane Smith Master Nonprofit Management Epilepsy Alliance



While at the University of Cincinnati, I would visit Fort Lauderdale during Spring Break and thought this was the most beautiful place. I never imagined this would be where I would live and raise my family but a business opportunity for my husband brought us here after our wedding.

Moving to Broward County in 1978, began working with older adults for several wonderful and impactful social service organizations including Executive Director of Broward Homebound Program, COO at Impact Broward, Senior Director of Caregiving Services for South Florida Institute on Aging and Program Director at Area Agency on Aging. Through the years I've had the opportunity to meet dedicated professionals who shared my goal to improve the quality of life for older adults. Being involved with Broward Coalition on Aging for over twenty years, I've been privileged to network and make lifelong friends. BCOA is one of the best networking groups in the tri-county area.

In 2021 I created a more balanced work/life with less stress as a Certified Navigator at Epilepsy Alliance Florida, a federally-funded healthcare enrollment program that provides education, counseling and enrollment assistance for health coverage.

Also, I share my knowledge and expertise in nonprofit management by providing consulting services in areas including grant writing, program development, volunteer management, contract compliance, fundraising and special events, donor relations and working with caregivers.

In 2021 my husband and I moved to Boca Raton. We have two daughters who both live in Colorado and visiting them is a favorite past-time.