

College Spark Washington elects new nonprofit leader to Board of Trustees

College Spark Washington, a private foundation in Seattle supporting college readiness and degree completion programs throughout Washington state, announced the election of Kris Lambright to the Board of Trustees.

Kris Lambright is Chief Financial Officer for YWCA Seattle|King|Snohomish. She joined the YWCA in 1999, is part of the executive team, and oversees administrative services of accounting, information systems, investments, risk management and facilities. Ms. Lambright leads the Finance/Budget Review, Audit, and Investment Committees and is a graduate of the 2005 class of Leadership Tomorrow. She received the distinguished Puget Sound Business Journal CFO of the Year Award for small nonprofits in 2009, was a finalist in 2007, and has served as a judge for the 2010-2012 awards. Prior to joining YWCA, Ms. Lambright served as controller, auditor, and accountant while working in private industry, public accounting and government. She volunteers as a Finance and Advisory committee member at Page Ahead, a non-profit that provides books and promotes reading for at-risk children, where she also formerly served as a Board Member. Ms. Lambright earned her B.A. in Business Administration, with special focus on Accounting, at the University of Washington.

“We are pleased to have a distinguished nonprofit leader join the College Spark Board of Trustees. Kris brings an outstanding set of skills, knowledge, and expertise in finance administration and understanding of the needs of low-income families that will benefit the foundation’s work and mission,” says Christine McCabe, Executive Director for College Spark Washington.

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[College Spark Washington](#) funds programs across Washington state that help low-income students become college-ready and earn their degrees. Grantees include community-based organizations, K-12 schools and districts, community and technical colleges, four-year colleges and universities, educational nonprofits, and public agencies. College Spark began supporting access to higher education in 1978 and began making grants to support its mission in 2004.