

## Roxane Somerlot Director, Marion County Department of Job and Family Services, Ohio

Roxane Somerlot has served as Director of Marion County's Department of Job & Family Services since 1999. The department, in partnership with the community, provides a wide range of services to Marion County families, jobseekers, and employers. She leads an agency of 65 staff which supports Marion County's population of 65,359 by providing access to public assistance, workforce development, and child support enforcement services.

In her role as Director, Roxane serves on several boards including Marion CAN DO! - Marion, Ohio's Economic Development organization; Marion Technical College, Family and Children First Council, and Marion Area Workforce Acceleration Collaborative.

Additionally, Roxane serves on the Executive Committee of the Ohio Job & Family Service Directors' Association (OJFSDA), Governors Workforce Board, National Association of Human Services Administrators (NACHSA) which is an affiliate of NACO, Northwest Directors Association, and member of Marion County's Re-Entry Coalition, Community Corrections Committee, and Transportation Advisory Committee. Roxane is an alumnus of the Executive Leadership Program sponsored by the Voinovich Center for Leadership & Public Affairs, Ohio University. She also earned her professional certification from the Society of Human Resource Management in 1998.

Roxane earned a bachelor's degree in business administration from The Ohio State University. After being awarded a presidential fellowship from The OSU Fisher College of Business, she went on to earn a master's degree in labor & human resource management.