

Leslie Hyder Vice President Detroit Chapter FY 22-23

Leslie Beresford is a Labor Management Specialist at Barton Malow Company, a leading North American contractor headquartered in Southfield, Michigan. Leslie has been with Barton Malow Company for 15 years working and leading various efforts in finance, payroll, estimating and preconstruction services. Leslie is also enthusiastic about the growth of the construction workforce and participates regularly in local outreach programs to educate young people about the value of a union career.

Since joining NAWIC in 2018, Leslie has held the position of Director FY18-19, Treasurer FY19-20, Treasurer & Vice President FY20-21, and is currently your Chapter Secretary FY21-22. She also the Membership Chair and has sat on the golf committee for the last five years as well as the election committee for the last two. During her time on the NAWIC board, Leslie has directed her interest and focus on member enrollment, engagement, and longevity. She cares deeply about community involvement and the opportunity for educating people to join the construction industry. Leslie would like to see NAWIC 's name become more widely used and recognized as a strong resource in our community and industry. NAWIC can leverage their membership and highlight the organization to promote women in our business through their own efforts in the community. This will encourage and excite the membership to become even more committed to the organization.

Leslie has been a leader in community involvement at Barton Malow Company along with the Barton Malow Foundation as the top fundraiser for the American Heart Association, Heart Walk and serving as a Heart Walk Captain for the last 12 years, on Team "Building with Heart." She has also volunteered for the past 15 years to Gleaners Food Bank and the last three years for Habitat for Humanity Women's Build as well as Goodwill Industries through the Barton Malow Foundation's Community Week.

For 14 years before joining Barton Malow Company, Leslie was an Emergency 911 dispatcher for the Livonia Police Department. In 2019, Leslie completed a personal goal and professional achievement by receiving her bachelor's degree from Central Michigan University. Leslie's career and education demonstrates her ability to handle and lead challenging efforts, finances, construction processes and the ability to work and communicate with people in diverse situations through labor and management. All of these attributes make her very well suited to be an asset to NAWIC both locally and nationally.