

# PROPEL SYMPOSIUM

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at the Tinley Park Convention Center

*Agenda*

- 8:00 a.m.  
Registration & breakfast
- 8:45 a.m.  
Welcome & keynote
- 9:45 a.m.  
Panel conversations begin
- 12 p.m.  
Closing activity & remarks
- 12:30 p.m.  
Take-or-Stay lunch

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**Speaker bios**



*Speakers*



**Andrea Sáenz**  
The Chicago Community Trust



**Joe Neri**  
IFF



**Vickie Lakes-Battle**  
IFF



**Bo Kemp**  
Southland Development Authority



**Mollie Dowling**  
IFF



**Claire Rice**  
Arts Alliance Illinois



**Dana Britto**  
Cultivar Consulting



**Daniel O. Ash**  
Field Foundation of Illinois



**Dena Bell**  
Home First, IFF



**Doug Kenshol**  
South Suburban PADS



**Lyneir Richardson**  
Chicago TREND



**Jessica Caffrey**  
Cook County Land Bank Authority



**Nakea West**  
IFF



**Nicole Robinson**  
YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago



**Dr. Nicole Scott**  
Free-N-Deed AASP



**Dr. Sandra Dafiaghor**  
OAI



*The 2023 South Suburban Propel Symposium brings together community leaders, developers and philanthropists for conversations about innovations in human services in the Southland, perspectives on vacant spaces in the region, and a celebration of nonprofit enterprises that are succeeding in serving an ever-growing population with diverse needs.*

Panel 1

### **Innovations in Human Services in the Southland**

*Panelists:*

Doug Kenshol, executive director of South Suburban PADS

Dr. Nicole Scott, founder & CEO of the American Association of Single Parents & Free~N~Deed Market

Dr. Sandra Dafiaghor, director of OAI, Inc.

*Moderator:*

Mollie Dowling, vice president of resource development at IFF

Panel 2

### **Vacant Places or Vast Opportunity: We Decide**

*Panelists:*

Lyneir Richardson, co-founder & CEO of Chicago TREND

Jessica Caffrey, executive director of the Cook County Land Bank Authority

David Doig, president of Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives

Dena Bell, managing director of Home First, IFF

*Moderator:*

Bo Kemp, CEO of the Southland Development Authority

Panel 3

### **Business Enterprises that Give It All Back**

*Panelists:*

Bo Kemp, CEO of the Southland Development Authority

Nicole Robinson, CEO of the YWCA of Metropolitan Chicago

Claire Rice, executive director of the Arts Alliance Illinois

Daniel Ash, president of the Field Foundation of Illinois

*Moderator:*

Dana Britto, founder & principal of Cultivar Consulting