

Welcome Our New Member

Anne Torline



Anne Torline moved to Vero Beach from Jupiter in September 2019 to take on the role of broker for Orchid Island Realty. Jenna Suleman suggested that she become involved in Impact 100. After learning about its mission of women's philanthropy, she thought Impact 100 seemed to be a great organization and a great way to meet some new people. Anne is originally from Kansas and spent about 14 years in the hotel business in the Virgin Islands prior to moving to Florida. She holds a bachelor's degree from Kansas State University and master's degree in human resources from Palm Beach Atlantic College.

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Brenda Dirkse



Brenda Dirkse actually lives in Ponte Vedra, but being born and raised in Vero Beach and a graduate of VBHS, she returns home as often as she can. She has continued to stay in touch with several organizations in Vero and heard about Impact 100 through grants that these organizations have received. She joined Impact to be able to make an "impact" on the community she loves so much and is looking forward to meeting an incredible group of women. Currently, Brenda is CEO and owner of Coastal Partner Group, Inc., a real estate investment firm. She has spent the last 38 years in a successful insurance career and continues to work as a Community Health Educator to improve health disparities.

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Messina Shields



Messina Shields is a seasoned volunteer and has been on the board of several local organizations, including Friends After Diagnosis, the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, and Girls on the Run. She heard about Impact 100 from some work she did with Friends After Diagnosis and decided to join to support the many amazing organizations in our community. Messina has been a year-round resident of Vero Beach since moving here in 2003 with her husband and two daughters. One is a freshman in college and the other is in the 11th grade at VBHS. She grew up in Ft. Lauderdale and received her bachelor's degree and master's degree in public health from Florida International University. She has more than 15 years of experience coordinating and managing corporate health benefits and is currently the firm administrator for Kmetz, Elwell, Graham & Associates, CPAs here in Vero Beach.

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Veronica Dowling



Veronica Dowling is new to Impact 100 and new to Vero. She and her husband lived in Connecticut for almost 20 years before deciding to make the move to Vero last December. Veronica is the COO & CFO of a small investment bank located in NYC, Dowling & Hales. She graduated from the University of Hartford and received a BS in Management Information Systems. Special shout out to Rebecca Eamons for introducing her to Impact 100.

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