

Riverbend Head Start & Family Services Welcomes Two New Board Members

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ALTON, IL., June 5, 2023 – We are pleased to announce the Board of Directors at Riverbend Head Start & Family Services has approved the appointment of two new board members.

Walter D. Williams currently serves as the President of the NAACP Edwardsville Branch. He has more than 30 years of working on community development projects. In this capacity, Williams has been directly responsible for attracting more than \$2.1 billion in new investments, resulting in the creation of more than 8,900 jobs. Williams' role in economic development can best be described as a facilitator.

Brett Briggs has worked in banking for the past 19 years, spending 15 years with PNC Bank. Briggs currently leads a team that stretches across Central/Southwest Illinois and into St. Louis. His team works specifically with small-to-medium sized companies (for profit and nonprofit), helping those organizations navigate through the financial and operational management of their businesses.

“We are very excited welcome the expertise and experience of these two leaders to our governing body,” said President/CEO Gene Howell. “We look forward to their contributions in the success of our mission.”

Williams and Briggs were appointed to the Board during a special meeting that was held on Thursday, May 11, 2023. Outgoing board member, Kristin Tanzyus, has decided not renew her seat. She was appointed in 2018, and previously served as Board Chairwoman.

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