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Teresa Sanders has served as the Chief Program Officer at YWCA Greater Cleveland for 10 years. Sanders also served as YWCA's interim CEO from December 2021 to July 2022. She leads a diverse team that facilitates transformative programs in early childhood education and youth services for children, adolescents, young adults, and families. Teresa holds a Master of Science in Criminal Justice Administration and is an Independently Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselor.

She has served as a consultant for the Center for Drug Abuse Treatment and the Alcohol and Drug Addiction Services Board. In addition, she is a co-founder of the Trauma Addictions Collaborative, spearheading the integration of trauma services into Alcohol and Other Drug (AOD) treatment in Cuyahoga County. Because of her deep subject matter expertise and extensive experience, Teresa is recognized as a thought leader on the issues of developing trauma-informed systems of care, racial equity, and the advancement of women. She believes in demonstrating evidence of effectiveness and drives the implementation of a performance-based culture at YWCA Greater Cleveland. She and her husband Darby are the proud parents of Julian and Claudia, and grandparents to two beautiful granddaughters.