

BOARD MEMBER BIO

Debbie Blakeman

Debbie's purpose and passion is to help create the conditions for organizations and people to thrive, grow and fulfill their greater potential. She is deeply honored to support the leadership and profound impact that the Calgary Women's Emergency Shelter brings to the lives of families in our community through her role with the Board.

Debbie is an accomplished former C-level executive and certified executive coach who brings over 30 years of business, people, culture and leadership development experience having worked across Canada and internationally. She now owns Younitive, a small boutique consulting practice specializing in executive coaching, C suite teaming and culture shaping and is a co-founder of Belongify. She has an ICD.D designation through the Rotman School of Management and Institute of Corporate Directors, a CPHR designation in Human Resources and is a Professional Certified Coach (PCC) with the International Coaching Federation. Debbie has completed various business, HR and management programs through Michigan University Ross School of Business, University of Calgary and Royal Roads University. When Debbie isn't working or volunteering she is semi-retired (sort of) and can be found traveling, biking, wine "tasting" with friends or backyard bird watching with her husband Barry.