



Aisha Arbuckle – Executive Director



Aisha Arbuckle brings over two decades of dedicated leadership and expertise to the nonprofit sector. As the Executive Director of Core Connect, Inc., she is responsible for leading the programmatic implementation and fundraising efforts of the organization, ensuring the effective execution of strategic objectives. Before assuming this role, she served as the Founder & President of Denmont Consulting, where she spearheaded philanthropic efforts, overseeing a dedicated team with a wealth of experience in fundraising, operations, administration, research, and proficient writing skills. The firm's philanthropic success under her guidance is a testament to her exceptional abilities.

Aisha's accomplishments in the nonprofit sector are noteworthy. She has successfully raised well over \$20 million for local nonprofit organizations, a feat achieved in the past six years alone. Notably, she led a team of eight full-time staff members and rallied the support of 20 corporate and community volunteers to secure over \$9 million within just 11 months, contributing significantly to a \$13.3 million capital campaign goal, all while meeting the annual fund budgeted goal.

Aisha is a master at strategically engaging volunteers and implementing cyclical cultivation and stewardship efforts, ensuring that all stakeholders have a genuine connection to, and vested interest in, advancing an organization's mission. Her expertise extends to training Board of Directors members in their roles and responsibilities, as well as identifying healthy organizations and fostering effective leadership. She has also been at the helm of nonprofit program ideation, implementation, and evaluation efforts, making her a comprehensive nonprofit professional.

Aisha has a proven track record of streamlining communication between development and programs teams, with one of her department restructurings resulting in a remarkable 10% increase in program funding during the first quarter, compared to the previous fiscal year.

With twenty years of experience in creating and implementing development plans, managing annual campaigns, securing major gifts, overseeing nonprofit programs, and writing award-winning grant proposals, Aisha is a visionary that increases agency visibility and resources. She has collaborated with private foundations and public figures to streamline their philanthropic efforts, trained grantees, and fostered community engagement.

Aisha holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from Duquesne University and a Master of Arts degree from Luther Rice Seminary. She actively contributes to the community, serving on the Board of Directors for Leap Year, and is a member of Impact 100 Atlanta. Aisha remains an active member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and maintains her membership with the Association of Fundraising Professionals Greater Atlanta Chapter.

Aisha Arbuckle's unwavering commitment, strategic vision, and impressive track record make her a distinguished leader in the philanthropic and nonprofit sector, driving positive change and enriching the lives of those her work impacts.