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Announces Denise Cross as Executive Director
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The Developmental Disabilities Resource Board (DDRB) of St. Charles County announced today that Denise Cross, M.A. has been selected as the organization's Executive Director. The Board chose Cross, a known leader in the developmental disabilities field with over 20 years of experience to lead the organization that has supported St. Charles County citizens with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their families for 45 years. She will begin her new role in late June.



"We had many strong candidates for the position. Denise's leadership experience with County Developmental Disabilities Boards and in the provision of a variety of services, coupled with her solid reputation across the state, led us to select her as our next leader," said Connie Tan, Board President.

Cross said "St. Charles County has given me so much throughout my life. Born and raised in St. Charles County, it is truly an honor to have the opportunity to give back to this rich community. I am thrilled to be joining this team and look forward to being a part of the good work they currently do, and dream of doing in the future."

Cross comes to the DDRB from the Platte County Board of Services in Kansas City, MO where she served for the past 7 years as Executive Director. She also was selected by her statewide colleagues to serve in 2021 and 2022 as President of the Missouri Association of County Developmental Disabilities Services. Cross previously held leadership roles at NextStep for Life/Jefferson County DDRB. Cross earned a B.S. in Organizational Communication and Psychology from Missouri State University and an M.A. in Psychology from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, IL.

About DDRB

The DDRB is a public taxing entity that provides funding to agencies that serve individuals with developmental disabilities in St. Charles County. It also provides case management services to more than 1,300 individuals 16 and 17 years of age regardless of Medicaid status and individuals 18 years of age and older with active Medicaid.