

Shellese Kathy Rawls, MPA, BS



Shellese is a native of the Bronx in New York. She was born on November 5th, 1964 to Ernest Dixon (deceased) and Patricia Dixon.

Shellese is an only child and is currently married to Curtis Rawls with twin sons, Karrington and Kumauri Rawls and four stepchildren.

She attended Scroll's Elementary School, Bedford Park Academy Junior High School, Saint Gabriel High School, John Jay College of Criminal Justice and Alfred University Graduate School. Shellese graduated with her Bachelors in Science (BS), and post graduated with her Master's in Public Administration (MPA).

Shellese knew early on in life that she was blessed with a gift from God to take care and assists those in need or individuals at risk. This gift led her to work, volunteer and serve individuals, families, persons with mental health illness, substance abusers, persons affected/ infected with HIV/AIDS, the homeless and those in domestic violence situations.

This journey has allowed Shellese to work in Social Services for 38 years. At the age of 16, she worked as a volunteer Candy Stripe Nurse's Aide at New York Presbyterian Hospital. At the age of 18, she began her Social Work journey as Youth Counselor at the Department of Probation in Harlem, NY.

As the years passed, Shellese has been employed at Victim Services of NY, HRA Burial Unit of NYC, Planned Parenthood of NYC, PARC International for the Developmentally Disabled, Catholic Charities of Brooklyn/Queens, NY and finally ended up with Family Services of Westchester.

In all of these above agencies and organizations, Shellese held positions as Case Manager, Caseworker, Supervisor, Borough Director, Assistant Director, Program Director and Care Manager.

Shellese is a "True Humanitarian" and loves helping people. Her passion overflows with giving back to the community. Shellese lives by the parable: "You Are Your Brother's Keeper & We Cannot Live in This World Alone".

Her current passion lies in her membership as a Public Relations Coordinator for the Non-Profit Organization "Missionary Ladies Guild of NYC". Participating in this organization continues to allow her to follow through with her journey to help those in need and to give back to the community.

Now unto him, that is able to do exceeding and abundantly above, all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us. Ephesians 3:20