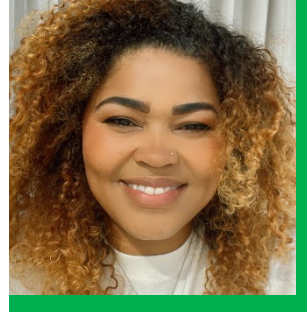


# KALIKA A. CURRY

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Kalika is a lifetime resident of the Pacific Northwest. She received her early education in the Lake Washington School District and shortly after attended Seattle Central Community College (SCCC) to study communications and the arts. She is a mother of three children.

Kalika began her community and DEI work on the SCCC campus bringing culturally affirming programs to the student body. Since then, she continues to research and develop her practice in cultivating spaces that drive racial healing and belonging. In 2011, Kalika started deepening her focus on affinity spaces, policy, and cross-organizational engagement to better serve teens in King County through youth development and foster care programs in the YMCA of Greater Seattle (YGS).

In 2016, Kalika began her work with Eastside Pathways as an employee of YGS, co-facilitating the Community Engagement for Cultural Integration Collaborative Action Network. In 2018, after graduating from the Leadership Eastside 2-year Adaptive Community Leadership program, she joined Eastside Pathways full-time.

In addition to her work at Eastside Pathways, Kalika is also the founder of Pono Pursuit LLC, a member of the [Right to Breathe Association](#) and proud member of [Be Kind 5](#). While she has a robust portfolio of work, her role as mom, daughter, and friend are her top priorities.

Her practice as coach and facilitator focuses on racial equity strategy development and implementation with a commitment to ensuring all stakeholders feel empowered and respected.

Over the last two decades Kalika has worked in and led change within multiple sectors and now provides executive level support to address the interdependent systemic outcomes from cross-sector, cross-organizational and cross-community (Collective Impact). Her training in Results Based Facilitation ©, Adaptive Community Leadership, Equitable Results Series © and strengths-based engagement provides the backdrop to her practice.