



Kristie Kelley

Workforce Development Director

A native of Pensacola with over twenty years of leadership experience in a combination of education, targeted industry workforce development and talent acquisition, Kelley serves as the Workforce Development Director for The Center for Energy Workforce Development. Kelley is responsible for revitalizing the Energy Industry Fundamentals program; managing efforts to assess re-skilling, upskilling, and training needs for energy jobs of the future; strengthening connections with students and educators; and primarily supporting CEWD's members in the west and mid-west regions, among other things.

Her previous roles have included creation and management of external talent development partnerships to grow the future workforce of targeted industries and enhance the southeast's growing economy. The connections spanned the entire talent supply pipeline. She was also responsible for the full-life cycle recruitment process used to acquire and retain talent for a local utility company and secure their future workforce.

Kelley holds a Master of Education in administration and a bachelors' degree in biology from the University of West Florida. She currently lives in Pensacola, Florida and enjoys spending time with her family, including her husband, Joe, and two sons: Kaleb and Kristopher. They like boating, camping, and traveling to unique locations.