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Ann M. Way is a Senior Program Officer for Sarkeys Foundation, a private, charitable foundation, located in Norman, Oklahoma. As a senior program officer she reviews the audits and budgets of grant proposals and also provides general proposal evaluation, pre-proposal consultation, and grant oversight. Additionally, Ms. Way manages the nonprofit educational series for the foundation, and she also serves as the director of the Oklahoma Institute for Nonprofit Leadership.

Ms. Way has provided presentations for the Conference of Southwest Foundations, Oklahoma Foundation for Excellence, BoardSource, a round table discussion with Grantmakers for Effective Organizations, and served as a faculty member for the Emerging Philanthropic Leaders in the Southwest, as well as many other statewide agencies.

Prior to her current work, Ms. Way acted as a consultant to several nonprofit agencies. This nonprofit experience followed a number of years in the banking world where she was a bank auditor, special projects officer, and liaison with the FDIC.

Before her arrival in Oklahoma, Ms. Way graduated from the University of Kentucky and taught high school English in Lexington, Kentucky. She also taught for the Department of Defense in Misawa, Japan. After her return to the States, she furthered her education at Oklahoma City Community College and the University of Oklahoma where she served as a graduate assistant.

Ms. Way has served her community as a member or officer for many civic and nonprofit groups. Among the local organizations with which she has been associated are the Community Services Building Board of Directors, Chair of The Social and Voluntary Services Commission of the City of Norman, Member of the Mayor's Committee to End Chronic Homelessness, President of the Board of Little River Zoo, Member of the Mayor's Round Table, and Member of the Noble School Board. Ms. Way is also a graduate of Leadership Oklahoma Class XXVIII.