



Karen Signoracci Suero

Karen Signoracci Suero brings more than 15 years of experience working with nonprofit organizations throughout the United States, including the Camp Pa-Qua-Tuck, University of Sales Education Foundation, M.A.N. Foundation, PACE University, NYU Medical Center, Saint Malachy's – The Actor's Chapel, Archdiocese of Chicago, Archdiocese of New York, Archdiocese of Philadelphia, Diocese of Brooklyn and the Diocese of Paterson. Karen has vast development, fundraising, strategic planning and board governance experience.

Karen works closely with Office of the Superintendent at the Diocese of Brooklyn on Preserving the Vision, working with 12 Catholic Academies on Board of Directors Governance, Operations and Roles and Responsibilities. This project also includes Karen's leadership on launching an ePortfolio for volunteers with colleagues at the Diocese of Brooklyn and St. John's University. In addition, Karen is consulting with the Bay Ridge Strategic Planning Council on the areas of Board Development, Marketing and Financial Planning.

Karen successfully increased public relations awareness and exposure to Camp Pa-Qua-Tuck, a camp for children and young adults with specials needs. She prepared their comprehensive development plan and identified a number of additional foundations / grant opportunities for the Camp. Karen and two former Board Members successfully initiated the Advisory Board at Camp Pa-Qua-Tuck in 2012.

In the fall of 2008, Karen worked with the Archdiocese of Philadelphia in Philadelphia, PA on a \$200,000,000 capital campaign. Karen was responsible for the campaigns of two Pilot Parishes, Saint Matthias and Saint William and raised over \$1,500,000 for the two parish campaigns.

During her tenure with Saint Sylvester School, Karen's outstanding achievements included her design of a school marketing plan to increase school enrollment by 25% and the writing of a grant to KaBOOM Foundation to secure \$60,000 for a much

needed community based playground. She also wrote for a \$100,000 grant to the Chicago Community Trust for Professional Development. Karen was also a key team member of the Cristo Rey Jesuit High Development Team that was responsible for the beginning stages of the Rey of Hope II Capital Campaign that raised \$12 million for the construction of a new gymnasium, cafeteria, classroom space, and library media center.

Karen was a Regional Director for the Archdiocese of New York working on the Cardinal's Annual Appeal and Bicentennial Campaign. Serving as the only multilingual team member, Karen often worked with parishes where she had to use her language skills preparing documents and conducting meetings in Spanish and / or Italian. Karen also received tremendous training while working as a consultant for CCS Fundraising.

Karen attended Our Lady of Mercy Academy in Syosset, New York and also received a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Spanish and Sociology from University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio. Karen resides in Mineola with her husband Rick and daughters Rose and Lena. Karen takes great pride in living, working and raising a family on Long Island. The Suero Family are active parishioners at St. Aidan's Parish in Williston Park.