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Dawn is a teacher by trade and has continued to teach long after completing her master's degree in Management at Indiana Wesleyan University. She began her professional development career as the National Implementation Manager for Vivendi-Universal where she instructed educators across the country. Dawn joined the Community Foundation of Grant County, Indiana in 2005 as a Development Officer and became the President/CEO in 2012. Dawn's grandmother once told her to find out what she loved to do and then figure out how to get paid for it. She's done that in Grant County, Indiana where she's been recognized for her community-building work as an ATHENA Award recipient, the OCRA Award Recipient for Indiana Main Street Volunteer of the Year, and as Indiana Wesleyan University's 2020 Tony Maidenberg Community Service Award Recipient. When she's not changing her little corner of the world, Dawn is reading non-fiction to continue her quest of lifelog learning, writing a blog about giving to inspire others to give where they live, penning a book to help other nonprofit leaders love their donors through stewardship, and figuring out how to become the philanthropic Leslie Knope!