

Jenna Dascenzo

Jenna and her family are Linden residents and have lived in the area for 6 years. They are homeowners and have planted roots on the North side with no intention of leaving. Jenna and her husband Matt feel very passionate about community involvement and being good neighbors to all.

They voluntarily open their home each week to young adults from the community who join them for bible study and dinner. Typically, this group can see 20 or more young people. All of these participants have come from Jenna's work with Boys and Girls Clubs and Matt's involvement at Linden McKinley through the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. This is one of the highlights of their week.

Both Jenna and Matt work in faith based nonprofits that are based in Linden. Jenna works for a Christian Ministry center called TwentyEight19 which houses a plethora of Linden serving ministries who all share the space. Jenna hopes to continue to build and develop the mission of TwentyEight19 and serves as the Director of Development.

She is also involved in her husband's work with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. She has volunteered with Linden Mckinley and mentored young people through the FCA program.

In other professional endeavors, Jenna has worked in the nonprofit field for 14 years. She has held leadership roles with: The Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Ohio, Central Ohio Youth for Christ, and the Reeb Avenue Center. She enjoys being involved with programs whose missions are to serve young people and the community. Jenna feels passionate about program development and implementation and has spent a lot of her career familiarizing herself with the various resources within the city of Columbus.

Jenna is also a graduate of the Linden Leadership Academy as a member of the inaugural class. She spent the cohort diving into informative sessions and networking with like-minded colleagues. She sits as a member of the Student Engagement Committee at Linden Mckinley, is a volunteer at Linden STEM Elementary with the Reset program, is an ordained minister, and is a member of the Advisory Committee for the Columbus Discipleship Network.

Jenna received her bachelor's degree in Human Development and Family Science from The Ohio State University in 2016. She specializes in adolescents and at-risk youth populations. She has continued to work in her field of passion post-graduation and has no plans of stepping away.

Most recently, Jenna has taken on a role within her local neighborhood. She will be taking a seat for the upcoming term as a North Linden Area Commissioner.

In her personal life, Jenna is a mother to a toddler, a pet owner, and spends a lot of her free time attending and participating in local events. You can often find her and her family on the sidelines of a Linden basketball or football game.

