

The Village Chicago's Bridging Generations Board



Liz Metzger

Liz has a BS/MS from Boston University's Sargent College and is a Lincoln Park native. She has worked as an Occupational Therapist in the Chicago land area over the past 8 years in various hospitals and in 2017 transitioned to a role as a Global Professional Instructor with the Crisis Prevention Institute as a specialist in the area of Dementia. Liz has been involved with The Village since its inception in 2009 and was the Village's first intern.

Brad Baum

Brad is Co-Founder of Llama Naturals, an innovative natural nutrition brand launching in 2019. He previously founded an online sleep products business. Prior to that, he spent 7 years in banking (The Private Bank) and investments (OFS Management), where he earned the Chartered Financial Analyst designation. Brad grew up in Quincy, IL and attended the University of Illinois where he earned a B.S. in Finance and was occasionally disappointed by the basketball and football teams.





Emily Baum

Emily currently serves as Vice President of Capital Markets of CA Ventures in Chicago where she specializes in debt financing for the Student Living and Residential business lines. Prior to starting at CA, Emily spent six years at the PrivateBank, starting in the Credit Training Program and ending as Associate Managing Director financing commercial real investments for her clients. A Toledo, Ohio native, and graduate of Fordham

University, Emily currently lives with her husband and their dog in the South Loop neighborhood of Chicago.

Yoon Tae Chong

Yoon Tae recently celebrated his one-year anniversary as the Administrative and Fund Development Coordinator at The Village Chicago. Previously, he served as the Development Manager for the Hana Center, a social service and community organizing/advocacy nonprofit organization in Chicago. With a Masters in philosophy and religion plus being certified as a personal trainer, Yoon Tae



contributes an eclectic mix of skills and experience. He enjoys all types of cuisine, powerlifting, reading, and tinkering with things. His southern accent comes out when he visits family in the north Georgia mountains.



Jennifer Clifford

Jennifer Clifford, CFP®, CDFA®, has been involved with The Village Chicago for almost 2 years. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Finance from DePaul University and has been a Certified Financial Planner with Embree Financial for over 15 years. Jennifer is also a member of The Lilac Tree, a support organization for those going through separation and divorce, where she mentors potential divorcees in need of financial advice. She loves traveling, fashion, fine dining and the theater.

Hari Nair

Hari has served as a VP – Financial Consultant for Charles Schwab out of its Lincoln Park office for the past seven years. As the son of Indian immigrants who have lived the American Dream, he’s passionate about delivering the goal of financial security to others. Hari is a lifelong Chicagoan, attended the University of Chicago, and is a diehard Chicago Bears fan. In his spare time, he is an avid foodie, enjoys weightlifting, and will likely soon be planning his next international adventure.



*Bio not included above, Bridging Generations Board member **Arielle Lewis.***