



ARCHway Welcomes Erin Fogarty, Development Coordinator



About Erin

Erin Fogarty joins ARCHway Institute as the Developmental Coordinator and will be coordinating the organization's fundraising efforts. In addition to building, stewarding, and developing donor relations, she will be creating and implementing fund development strategies for the organization and assisting in fundraising events.

Erin also serves as the Director of Events and Communications at Addiction Recovery Care (ARC). She helps manage the day-to-day operations of the Communications Team of ARC. Erin's efforts include supporting the organization's brand messaging, maximizing and coordinating internal and external communication, developing strategic communications programs, creating media strategies, and strategic communication.

Prior to joining ARC, Erin served as the Grants Manager and Gift Officer at The Healing Place, a long-term recovery program for individuals suffering from substance use disorder. Erin was responsible for writing high-quality grant proposals and managing all activities related to submitting full proposals and letters of intent. Funders included corporations, foundations, and government entities. In addition, Erin was responsible for developing key collaborative relationships with donors and staff throughout the organization and ensuring a high standard of stewardship for organization stakeholders and supporters.

Erin is proud to be a person in long-term recovery, having over 12-years of continuous sobriety, and finds a deep and meaningful purpose working in the field of addiction recovery. Erin is a graduate of the University of Louisville (BA in Communications). Erin resides in Shelbyville, KY with her husband, Patrick, and three children, Christopher, Ruby, and Stella.

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New Staff Q&A with Erin Fogarty!

Q - What pulled you towards the behavioral health field originally?

A - "I am a person in long-term recovery. After completing my long-term

recovery program in 2011, I went back to school and received my college degree at the University of Louisville, a Bachelor of Arts in communication. I have always enjoyed writing but was unsure of what I really wanted to do. I did know that I wanted to have a passion behind my professional life, and while I was contemplating what my future even looked like, the treatment program I had completed reached out to me and offered me a grant writing position. I was inexperienced with fundraising and grant writing; however, I had a deep passion for the recovery and the behavioral health field (having recovered myself).

I dove in and took as many training courses as possible. I enrolled in the Indiana University School of Philanthropy (IUPUI) and traveled to Indianapolis many times to receive my certificate in fundraising management. I found my passion, which is working in the field of recovery, helping individuals just like myself find help in one form or another."

Q - What do you love most about working in this industry?

A - "I thoroughly enjoy helping others get the support they need. Whether it be a family member or a person themselves reaching out for help.

I also find a deep meaning in breaking the stigma through discussions with those who do not know the extent of the disease. Whether it is sitting down one-on-one with someone, planning an event, or writing a detailed grant explaining what SUD is and how we are helping those who suffer.

Everyone is affected by the disease of addiction (and they may not even know it!). My job and duty as a person in long-term recovery is to help educate, bring awareness, and help further the mission of recovery related fields."

Q - How did you first learn about ARCHway Institute?

A - "I had heard of ARCHway through my husband over the years, as he is a friend and former colleague of John Stuckey. However, I had the opportunity to meet Emily and learn more about the organization during an event I planned in Louisville, KY in fall of 2022 called, "Reclaiming Recovery", which was bringing likeminded individuals and organizations together to discuss the peer recovery model and moving the conversation forward on addiction recovery."

Q - Why did you want to be involved in forwarding the mission of ARCHway Institute?

A - "When ARCHway reached out, I immediately felt at home. I felt drawn back to my original purpose of fundraising and recovery and bringing individuals together."

Q - Do you have a philosophy about recovery from substance use and mental health disorders that you'd like to share?

A - "My recovery philosophy is that it is never too late to begin your journey. It is so important to wake up each day with a willingness to be and do better, have humility and understanding, and a passion behind what you do. It takes hard work and dedication, but life is so rewarding with recovery related promises.

In addition, I am an extreme advocate of the peer support movement. I would not be here today without peer support.

Lastly, another aspect of recovery that is not talked about as often is the family. Addiction is a family disease, and every single person in the addicted

individual's life is impacted. I am a firm believer that the entire family should seek help and/or support while their loved one is seeking help themselves. Enabling and boundaries are two things my family really had to work on when I was struggling, and when they quit enabling me and set firm boundaries, they began to heal, and I had no other option in my life than to get help myself. I know it was a hard time for them, but in the end, it saved my life and theirs! I love focusing on the family aspect and how we can reunify family in a safe, cohesive and healthy way!"

Q - What is something about you (a fun fact) that most people probably don't know

A - "In one year, I was on a few different reality shows! I was on the TLC show "My First Home". My friends were buying a home, and living with my husband and I during the home buying process. They were picked up by the TLC station to film their journey, and I got to be on it!

A few months later, while working at a hotel, the Food Network show cast stayed at our hotel while filming "Restaurant Impossible". My team was invited to be on the show, and I was interviewed and actually made it on!"

Q - What TV show are you currently watching?

A - "I love a good documentary! On Friday nights, you can find me watching Shark Tank, followed by Dateline! However, my all-time favorite shows that I default to on a weekly basis are Friends, The Office and Seinfeld!"

Q - What inspires you?

A - "My 3 kids inspire me on a daily basis. I get the opportunity to wake up each

day and be a role model to them as best I can. It is an honor, and it pushes me to be a better person, wife, mother, and employee each day."

Q - Is there anything else you would like to share?

A - "My husband and I are both in long-term recovery and have three beautiful children, Christopher (8), Ruby (6) and Stella (1). We love to travel, especially to Arizona and Florida as much as possible. We are animal lovers, and have a golden retriever, Hazel and a mutt, Piper! We reside in Shelbyville, KY."

College Hoops Insanity

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March 24-25 - [Punta Gorda Golf & Tennis Event](#)

April 14 - [STL Gala & Auction](#)

September 15 - *Ohio Pig Roast*

October 20 - *Fort Myers Dinner & Auction*

November (TBD) - *STL Trivia Night*

December 2 - [Helicopter Golf Ball Drop](#)



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