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Stacie Bytwork Selected for U.S. Chamber Foundation Education and Workforce Fellowship Program

*Fellowship Provides State and Local Business Leaders with Opportunities to
Engage Nationally on Critical Education and Workforce Issues*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation today announced Stacie Bytwork, President & CEO of the Manistee Area Chamber of Commerce was selected to participate in the ninth cohort of its premiere business leadership program. The Business Leads Fellowship Program trains and equips leaders from state and local chambers of commerce, economic development agencies, and trade associations with resources, access to experts, and a network of peers to build their capacity to address the most pressing education and workforce challenges.

“I am extremely grateful and thrilled to join fellow colleagues from across the country to engage in crucial workforce development challenges, to assist with finding solutions and education opportunities.” says Stacie Bytwork, President & CEO. “This is an honor to represent our community and state on a national level.”

“We created the Business Leads Fellowship Program in response to the needs of our state and local chamber partners,” says Cheryl Oldham, Senior Vice President of the Center for Education and Workforce. “They, better than anyone, see the critical link between education and economic development, and we are glad to be able to support them as they take on this critical leadership role in their community.”

Following a competitive application and selection process, Stacie Bytwork was selected along with 34 other state and local chamber executives, economic development professionals, and association leaders to participate in the ninth class of this program. The eight-month program, consisting of both in person and virtual meetings, will cover the entire talent pipeline, including early childhood education, K-12, postsecondary education, and workforce development.

Upon completion, Business Leads Fellows will join the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation’s dedicated network of over 300 chambers of commerce and statewide associations from around the nation who regularly engage on education and workforce initiatives.



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For more information on the Business Leads Fellowship Program, visit the program's [website](#).

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The Manistee Area Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit 501 C (6) organization. Our mission is to build a dynamic and sustainable organization to serve the Business, Workforce, and Economic Development needs of all in Manistee County. You can contact the team at 231-723-2575 or communications@manisteechamber.com.