
Shea Zames Lerner

Shea has 19 years of experience working with non-profit organizations. Shea has assisted and coordinated annual giving and capital campaign fundraising programs that have raised more than \$54 million. Shea's primary areas of expertise are in new program initiatives, capital campaigns and major gift acquisitions. Shea came to the Five Towns Community Chest from the New York College of Osteopathic Medicine, the largest medical School in the United States. Previously, Shea was with Community Counseling Services, Inc, the world's largest non-profit consulting firm.

Shea has also been Executive Director with:

- UJA-Federation of New York
- Town of Oyster Bay, Department of Intergovernmental Affairs

He is a member of the Association of Fundraising Professionals and Association of Jewish Community Organization Personnel. He was inducted into the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE) as well as the American Osteopathic Association (AOA) and the New York Osteopathic Medical Society (NYSOMS).

Shea received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Hartford, where he held a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Humanities and a Master of Social Work degree, concentrating in Community organization and Non-Profit Management from the Wurzweiler School of Social Work, Yeshiva University.

Having been born into the Plainview Jewish Center in 1969, Shea is no stranger to the Synagogue. He became a member in his own right in 2001 and immediately became active by co-chairing the Kol Nidre Campaign and serving on the Strategic Planning Committee, drafting the Synagogues first Strategic Plan. The Brick path as well as the Plainview-Old Bethpage Community ambulance for ARMDI was created under his leadership. Currently, he serves on the Board of the Men's Club. In 2003, he was elected to the Board of Trustees and was elected to his current post, President in 2010.

Shea is married to his lovely wife Pamela, and the proud father of a son, Noah and owner of Kaylee a Miniature Schnauzer.