

**Troy Coalman, Board Member, Vice President of Core Programs**  
Director of Annual Giving and Community Engagement, FareStart

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Troy Coalman is Director of Annual Giving & Community Engagement with FareStart in Seattle, a position that marries his passion for philanthropy, culinary arts and uplifting those in our community who are struggling with homelessness.

His two-decade career in fundraising has spanned all facets of the sector from annual giving, major gifts, planned giving, data analysis, event production, marketing, communication, branding and public relations. He has worked with causes ranging from the arts, education, domestic violence to LGBT activism and community engagement.

He is a native of Seattle area having grown up in Kirkland, a graduate of Lake Washington (proud Kangaroo) and attending Seattle University. Troy spent 20 plus years in San Francisco with brief consulting projects on the East Coast. During his career as a development officer, he has developed a love for teaching and mentoring having taught with AFP, Foundation Center, Development Roundtable and with boards of directors across the country. This has married perfectly with his position on the AFP Advancement Northwest Board of Directors where he is Vice President of Core Programs, which encompasses the organizations broad range of monthly education opportunities.

Besides his devotion to the fundraising sector he is an avid advocate for accessibility for the blind community. In 2016, he along with colleague Carol Brown, developed a white paper for presenters of AFP programs to ensure accommodation blind and deaf attendees at events and educational programs. He continues this work with AFP International with a determination to create an industry that welcomes all abilities. Along with his work with AFP, he is an active Rotarian with Rotary Club of Seattle 4, the third largest rotary club in the world is a member of the Community Service Committee. Troy and his husband Alejandro are residents of Seattle's Chinatown, they share an enthusiasm for the cities food and exploring the sites of Western Washington.