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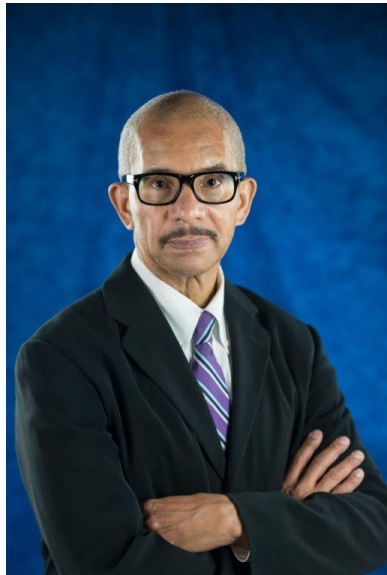
## **The Center for Community Solutions welcomes new board members**

*Board of Directors also elects new officers for 2019*

CLEVELAND, OH – The Center for Community Solutions has welcomed three new members to the organization’s Board of Directors. Dr. Richard Jones, Joshua Kramer and Jim Vail.

“I’m very excited to welcome our three new board members. They each bring a unique perspective and level of expertise from their respective fields, I’m sure our organization will benefit from their input,” said newly-elected Board Chair Carter Strang.

John Corlett, Community Solutions’ President and Executive Director echoed the sentiment, saying “we are grateful to have such respected, and civic minded, leaders join our board and help us in our goal of improving health, social and demographic conditions through research, policy analysis and advocacy.”



*Dr. Richard Jones*

After years serving in executive positions in Cuyahoga County’s Departments of Senior and Adult Services and Employment and Family Services, Dr. Richard Jones is currently a nonprofit consultant and executive coach. He has also recently been elected to serve on both the NASW Insurance Company Board of Directors and the Risk Retention Group Board of Directors. These roles are a part of Assurance Services Inc., an organization that provides insurance products to more than 60,000 social workers throughout the United States.

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*Joshua Kramer*

Joshua Kramer is a manager for federal advocacy practice for government relations firm LNE Group. Immediately before joining LNE Group, he spent time in Afghanistan bringing higher education programming to active duty service members through the Kandahar Education Center.

Born and raised in Shaker Heights, Kramer now lives in Ohio City and is a member of the Young Leadership Division Board and the Community Relations Committee of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland.



*James Vail*

James Vail currently serves as the managing partner at Schneider Smeltz Spieth and Bell, LLP. A resident of the Cleveland area for more than 30 years, Vail has successfully argued a case in front of the United States Supreme Court and has appeared before all levels of courts in the state of Ohio and before multiple federal district and appeals courts. David Miller, PP

Vail also currently serves, or has served on multiple other boards of directors including Family the Ingenuity Festival, Heights Parent Center, Cleveland Heights/University Heights Public Library and Reaching Heights.

The Board of Directors also selected a new slate of officers for 2019. Carter Strang, a partner at Tucker Ellis LLP was elected Chair; Dr. David Miller, an associate professor at the Mandel School of Applied Social Sciences at Case Western Reserve University, was elected Vice Chair; and Seth Reimer, Vice President for Key Bank Community Development Banking, was elected Secretary. Bill Doll, Patricia Schlonsky and Lynn Koster will each return to their officer positions on the Board of Directors. Doll, the president of Bill Doll and Associates, was re-elected Vice Chair; Schlonsky, a partner at Ulmer and Berne

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LLP was re-elected Vice Chair; and Koster, a senior manager at Meaden and Moore was re-elected Treasurer. Zulma Zabala, the Chief Executive Officer of East End Neighborhood House, will move to the position of Past Board Chair.

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