

## **Brenda Barnes**



Brenda Barnes is a dedicated public service professional with over 20 years of experience enhancing community well-being in Clark County, Nevada. With expertise spanning Juvenile Justice, Family Services, Social Services, and Homelessness Prevention, she has focused on creating and refining initiatives that provide critical support to vulnerable populations.

As the current Director of the Southern Nevada Homelessness Continuum of Care, Brenda has driven transformative housing solutions, from collaborating with developers to convert vacant hotels into non-congregate shelters to establishing the region's first Housing Crisis Stabilization Navigation Center. Her innovative programs bridge the gap for those at risk of homelessness, providing not only temporary refuge but a pathway to stability and self-sufficiency.

Brenda's leadership has been instrumental in preventing family separation due to inadequate shelter, successfully diverting hundreds of families from the trauma of homelessness. Her commitment to person-centered care and inclusive housing services reflects her unwavering mission: to ensure every individual, including those historically undercounted, has access to safe, stable housing and support.