

Lyman Legters

Race, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Commissioner

City of Temecula

Biography:

Lyman Legters, along with his bride Stevey-Wonderful, relocated to Temecula from the Washington, DC area in August 2021. Family was the inspiration for the cross-country move, wanting to be near their son and daughter-in-love, and their two grandchildren... but mostly to be near the grands! Temecula promised to be a family centered, friendly community with great schools, and has lived up to that promise.

Professionally Lyman has worked at Casey Family Programs - the nation's largest operating foundation devoted to improving outcomes for children and families impacted by the child welfare system - since 2002, where he has managed direct service operations and served as a strategic consultant for the foundation. From 2012 through 2015 he was privileged to serve as a Senior Fellow at the US Department of Justice. He currently serves as Senior Director, Strategic Consulting, working with states and federal partners in support of child welfare systems improvement and transformation.

Facilitating systems transformation and improving outcomes for vulnerable children and families, anti-racism and racial justice have been a particular focus during Lyman's professional career, as well as in his Christian service. He currently supports national efforts designed to achieve racial justice and transform child welfare systems into child, family, and community "well-being" systems. He speaks extensively on racial justice, systems transformation, and organizational health, both secularly and in the church.

Committed to eliminating racial disparities and injustice in general Lyman is honored to serve on the National Board of Directors for the People's Institute for Survival and Beyond. The People's Institute created the "Undoing Racism" workshop and has delivered anti-racism training and consultation for over 40 years. Lyman also serves on the Board of the American Youth Policy Forum and the National Steering Committee for the Youth Transition Funders Group. He has worked on issues related to justice and equity for more than 30 years, including intersectional dynamics related race, indigenous peoples, gender, sexual orientation, and immigration/citizenship status.

Lyman is a husband, father, and grandfather...he loves golf, God, children and Stevey-Wonderful (bride), but not necessarily in that order! He recently joined Rancho Community Church and is looking forward to engaging in and serving Temecula.

