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Tonya Rapley, is the Director of Strategic Partnerships for ACE | Access to Capital for Entrepreneurs – the largest exclusively small business focused CDFI in the state of Georgia, providing capital, coaching, and connections to underserved entrepreneurs.

Tonya Rapley is a master partnerships and communications strategist who brings a wealth of experience from her broad roles and experiences across New York City, Miami, Los Angeles, and Atlanta. For nine years, Tonya ran her own firm with a team of four to drive communications strategy for financial services companies including (customer acquisition, investor relations, corporate responsibility, and sustainability, across local, regional and national media markets). These have included national media placement for platforms such as Good Morning America, Bloomberg, and the Today Show. Prior to that her roles have including funding campaigns with the Center for New York City Neighborhoods and YWCA of Brooklyn where she worked with diverse stakeholders including government agencies. She has a Master of Arts in Urban Affairs from Brooklyn College, as well as a Bachelor of Public Administration from Florida International University.

Tonya currently sits on the board for the National Contract Management Association of Atlanta as the Communications Chair. She is also an active board member at Next OnBoard, championing the next generation of women developing a career path to board service and a volunteer for the Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta. She is an avid golfer, angel investor, art collector and proud mother of a bright six-year-old.

