

Katrina R. Thompson Village of Broadview Village President (Mayor)

How has Triton College impacted my life? My Triton community college experience gave me life. After moving from California, I didn't know anyone in the Proviso Township and at Triton I met my friend April Carter. 27 years later we have remained sister/friends. At first, I resisted enrolling in the local community college because I felt there was a stigma and I worked full time. But when I did, I found a menagerie of students from all walks of life and professors who were deeply passionate about their students. Triton College connected me to the community. Their support system, small and tight-knit communities, and affordability are truly unrivaled.

One page biography describing your academic, professional, professional, and personal accomplishments.

First elected, the seventh Mayor of the Village of Broadview in a five-person race with 44% of the vote on April 4, 2017, Katrina Thompson became the first African American female mayor of the village. In the 2021 election contest against a former mayor, Mayor Thompson was elected to a second term with 71% of the vote.

Beyond the Village of Broadview, Ms. Thompson has served and serves on multiple boards and commissions in multiple regional organizations, including: former President of the Proviso Municipal League; President of the West Central Municipal League as well as the Chairwoman of the Environmental Committee, Illinois Municipal League Board of Directors, Cook County Land Bank Board of Directors; Triton College Foundation Board; Visit Oak Park Board; Proviso Leyden Council for Community Action, Inc. (PLCCA) Board of Directors; Secretary of the Woodlake Specialty Hospital Advisory Board; NLC National Black Caucus Local Elected Officials Regional Director; Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Housing Committee Chair/Environmental Committee; and Co-Chair the Broadview-Westchester Water Agency and the IKE 911 Center.

Prior to becoming Mayor, Ms. Thompson served as the Executive Director of West Humboldt Park Development Council and as the Executive Director at Broadview Park District. As head of the West Humboldt Park Development Council, Ms. Thompson led the strategic planning, communication, fundraising, and organizational management. Additionally, she has had a longterm commitment to Pre-K-12 education, families and children living in poverty, and to children with special needs.

For her dedication, community involvement, and public service, Ms. Thompson has received numerous commendations, awards, and recognitions. They include: The Chicago Defender Women of Excellence Award in 2017, and in 2019 an appointment as an Executive Fellow at the Erickson Institute McCormick Foundation.

Ms. Thompson received a Business Certificate from Triton College and her Bachelor of Arts Degree from Concordia University and Master of Arts Degree from Roosevelt University.

Ms. Thompson has one daughter Sydnei Evans who is a first grade teacher in Houston, Texas.

A brief quote be displayed: "No Weapon Formed Against Me Shall Prosper" Isaiah 54:17