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The Center of Vocational Alternatives has a new chief financial officer and, for the first time, a development director.

Dawn Kuhn, a certified public accountant, joins COVA as chief financial officer and director of information technology after serving the past 11 years as controller for the West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church, according to the announcement. Kuhn, who holds a degree in accounting from West Virginia University, will direct COVA's finance and information technology departments.

Sally Tyler has been named COVA's director of development.

She will oversee fundraising and resource development efforts. Tyler comes to COVA from the development office of the Columbus Association for the Performing Arts. Prior to relocating to Columbus in 2003, Tyler served as a development officer for several health-related organizations in Illinois and was executive director of the Mental Health Association of Macon County.

"In this fast-changing economic environment we are excited to have two such proven professionals leading our finance, IT and fundraising efforts," Judy Braun, president and CEO of COVA, said in a statement. "We are embarking on an electronic clinical record system to serve our participants more efficiently, and our fundraising efforts will provide the seed money for our program innovations.

"These major initiatives require experienced leaders, and we are fortunate to have recruited two excellent people to guide us."



Dawn Kuhn



Sally Tyler

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