Having focused her career on lifting some of society’s most vulnerable populations, Adria Johnson embodies hope, integrity, and humanity. She is a dedicated and well-respected servant leader with more than 27 years of experience in the public, nonprofit, and private sectors.

Johnson's proven ability to lead efforts toward reform and work collaboratively across a wide range of stakeholders positioned her well to become President & Chief Executive Officer for Metro United Way. Prior to leading the organization, she served as its Chief Impact Officer and previously held roles in Kentucky State Government and Louisville Metro Government. Johnson’s leadership has been instrumental in developing transformative investment strategies and collective approaches in many areas—including neighborhood revitalization supports, preventive services for children at risk of abuse or neglect, comprehensive services for children with behavioral and developmental needs, employment opportunities for youth aging out of foster care, and development of workforce opportunities. In addition, she led and supported efforts aimed at making Black History:

Making Black History: Adria Johnson has a proven ability to lead as President & CEO for Metro United Way

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addressing racial disparities and inequities found within the populations served in child welfare.

During her time in state government, Johnson served as Commissioner and Deputy Com- missioner of the Kentucky Depart- ment for Community Based Services, before that she held key roles in Louisville Metro Government ranging from Capital Planning Analyst to Acting Director of the Department of Services and Revitalization. Her strong fisc- al experience was gained in the

first half of her career at Humana, LG&E, and Brown and Williamson Tobacco Corporation.

Johnson completed her un- dergraduate studies at Bell State University and completed several postgraduate courses at the Uni- versity of Louisville. She is a published author, having published a book of poetry in 2004. She is a native of Louisville and has two children, a son and a daughter, and two precious grandchildren.