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County Executive Gardner Appoints Kay as Director of Citizens Services Division

FREDERICK, MD – Frederick County Executive Jan Gardner is pleased to announce the appointment of Christine Kay as Director of the Division of Citizens Services. The County Council confirmed Ms. Kay's appointment today.

"Christine brings outstanding leadership experience in human services," Executive Gardner said. "She has a reputation for strong collaboration across agencies. She brings energy, big ideas, and a wealth of expertise. I am confident she will do an outstanding job for the citizens of Frederick County."



As director of Citizens Services, Ms. Kay will supervise the Child Advocacy Center, Family Partnership, Office for Children and Families, the Scott Key Center, the Human Relations Department, and the Department of Housing and Community Development. She also will oversee staff support to nine boards and commissions; lead the Community Partnership Grants program; and coordinate the County's shelter and mass care section of its Emergency Operations Plan.

Since 2016, Ms. Kay has served as the Director of the Department of Citizens Services in Carroll County. In that position, she oversaw a staff of 60 employees, including the bureaus of Housing, Aging and Disabilities, and the Local Management Agency. Ms. Kay also co-chaired the Carroll County Continuum of Care for Homelessness, administered over a dozen grants, and served as the granting agent for local nonprofit agencies. Prior to her tenure in Carroll County, Ms. Kay worked in the nonprofit sector, with a focus on human services in the areas of homelessness, individuals with disabilities, workforce development, and emergency shelter management.

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