

Bio – Jill Lynch-Sosa

Jill Lynch-Sosa brings to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Omaha a lifelong commitment to serving those most vulnerable, shaped by years of hands-on volunteer work and leadership roles at several Omaha-area nonprofits. As Council and Board President Kevin Grode shared at her hiring: *“We are thrilled to welcome Jill as our Executive Director. Her education, work history, and lived experience—especially her deep commitment to the underserved—align perfectly with the mission of SSVp.”*

A native of Omaha, Jill spent many of her formative years in Fort Worth, Texas, before returning to Nebraska to earn a degree in International Relations with a minor in Spanish from UNO and later an MBA from Bellevue University. Early in her career, she followed her calling to serve abroad with the Christian Foundation for Children and Aging, spending four years in Mexico and Guatemala working alongside religious communities, supporting children and families, and coordinating critical community outreach. Her time in Guatemala was especially transformative—she grew fluent in Spanish, deepened her understanding of systemic poverty, and discovered a profound sense of purpose. It was also where she met her husband, Sergio, and where their daughter Lizzy was born.

After returning to Omaha in 1998, Jill began a career of nonprofit and healthcare leadership, holding key positions at QLI, Nebraska Medicine, and the Heartland Workers Center. Throughout each role, she remained driven by her belief in meeting people with dignity, compassion, and presence.

Since accepting the role of Executive Director of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Omaha in January of 2023, Jill has helped strengthen the organization’s capacity to serve neighbors in need. Her leadership has supported improvements in internal operations, deeper collaboration with community partners, enhanced data and reporting efforts, and renewed focus on mission-centered programs such as homelessness prevention, food security, and support for immigrants and refugees. She is especially proud of helping elevate the work of Vincentian volunteers and ensuring that the organization remains a responsive, community-rooted resource for those facing crisis. Jill joined the CEO/ED Task Force in October of 2024. She was named as a Co-Chair in October 2025 and nominated to the National Board of Directors at that time.

Jill and her husband, Sergio, live in Omaha and have two adult children—Lizzy and Christian. Reflecting on her role today, Jill often shares a core belief that guides her work: “A financial crisis or unexpected hardship can happen to any one of us. The people we

serve are our neighbors—and our responsibility is not to judge, but to show up, listen, and serve.”

She remains grateful for the opportunity to serve SSVP both locally and nationally: “Every day I’m humbled by the volunteers, the staff, and the trust our neighbors place in us. I’m excited for what we can continue to build together.”