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Women's Foundation Names Chief

The Washington Area Women's Foundation announced yesterday that Phyllis R. Caldwell, president of community development banking at Bank of America, will be the group's new president.

Caldwell, a longtime District resident, will replace Anne Mosle as chief of the public foundation, which focuses on the lives of women and girls. Mosle left the foundation to become vice president of philanthropy and volunteerism at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation.

The Women's Foundation, created in 1998, is one of the nation's fastest-growing foundations focusing on women.

"I've watched The Women's Foundation grow over the years, and I look forward to working hard to advance its mission and to ensuring that the voices of low-income women and their families are heard and addressed," Caldwell said in a statement.

Caldwell had been an executive in business sales and management for 20 years and had been with Bank of America since 1997. At the bank, she focused on affordable housing issues, leading a team of 200 people providing loans and investments for real estate developments geared toward low- and moderate-income individuals.

"Phyllis Caldwell is an outstanding, accomplished leader with an unparalleled record of revitalizing underserved neighborhoods across the nation," Deborah Gandy, chairman of the Women's Foundation's board, said in a statement.

-- *Philip Rucker*