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Tedi Parsons created The Professionals Forum (TPF) in 2011, bringing a strong background in human resources, operations, facilities management, training and development, and social justice. The Professionals Forum's Mission is to *Help Today's Professionals Become Tomorrow's World-Leaders*.

As President of The Professionals Forum, Tedi is responsible for the strategic vision and day-to-day operations of the organization, including creating and implementing high-quality and effective training and professional development programs, which are used to educate, encourage and empower others. Since 2012, over 2,500 individuals have taken part in TPF's professional diversity education and training programs.

Using real-world experiences, TPF assists employers in both the private and public sectors to attract and retain world-class talent by bringing a unique perspective to Human Resources, focusing on people and not policy. To further this mission, Tedi founded the Michigan Disability Empowerment Coalition (MiDEC) in 2016, which focuses on ensuring persons with disabilities have full access to gainful and equitable employment.

Prior to TPF, Tedi has held positions as Vice-President of Operations & Human Resources, Sr. Executive Assistant, Facilities/Operations Manager, and Executive Administrator. He received his certification in Purchasing & Procurement after attending the University of Wisconsin – Madison, School of Business. Additionally, he holds designations as a Certified Career Coach (CCC), Certified Executive Coach (CEC) and Certified Professional Coach (CPC), including receiving certifications in facilities management, ergonomics, and human resources.

Tedi is sought out to provide professional direction and training for Human Resources and Diversity and Inclusion for both the private and public sectors. Along with his many hours of volunteer service, mentoring and strong commitment to social justice and equity, he finds time to serve as a Certified Tourist Ambassador (CTA) in the Lansing region.