

Samantha Michael, Director of Business Services 00:03

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This is Samantha Michael from Rutgers School of Social works toward a more just future podcast. During my time with Theresa McCutcheon, I asked a few extra questions that didn't make our episode. Here's our rapid fire with Teresa. Okay, Tess, let's start our rapid fire questions I'm going to ask you to answer these in the fewest words possible, though, and I know that's hard.

Theresa McCutcheon, Director of the Institute for Families 00:27

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Especially for me. Yes, okay.

Samantha Michael, Director of Business Services 00:30

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Okay. Tess, I feel like I'm going to learn some stuff about you with this. What is your proudest achievement?

Theresa McCutcheon, Director of the Institute for Families 00:36

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I'm going to say that that is raising two very spirited little boys into young men who are open to the world around them.

Samantha Michael, Director of Business Services 00:42

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What was the hardest thing you've ever done?

Theresa McCutcheon, Director of the Institute for Families 00:45

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I'm going to say defining my own leadership style, but then finding the confidence to practice it. Who do you admire you most admire my dad. He never stops learning, and every decision he makes is with deep integrity. What motivates you Innovation and Learning, what makes you hopeful? My own personal belief that a force greater than me guides my life.

Samantha Michael, Director of Business Services 01:09

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What is your favorite book?

Theresa McCutcheon, Director of the Institute for Families 01:12

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My favorite book is The Notebook by Nicholas Sparks. Although I'm not a fan of him, I will say that book is my favorite.

Samantha Michaelae, Director of Business Services 01:19

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What music is on your recently played playlist,

Theresa McCutcheon, Director of the Institute for Families 01:24

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Amy Winehouse and Jack Harlow.

Samantha Michaelae, Director of Business Services 01:26

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Would you rather have a pet dinosaur or a pet dragon? And why?

Theresa McCutcheon, Director of the Institute for Families 01:31

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Oh, a dragon, fire and flying. Come on.

Samantha Michaelae, Director of Business Services 01:36

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What's your favorite dessert?

Theresa McCutcheon, Director of the Institute for Families 01:37

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A really good chocolate chip cookie.

Samantha Michaelae, Director of Business Services 01:39

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What's your favorite place in New Jersey,

Theresa McCutcheon, Director of the Institute for Families 01:41

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the Jersey Shore on a cool, sunny day when no one is around me,

Samantha Michaelae, Director of Business Services 01:47

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what's the greatest lesson you've learned, and who or what taught you that lesson?

Theresa McCutcheon, Director of the Institute for Families 01:52

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So the greatest lesson is that true lasting change is evolution, not revolution. And I learned this by accepting that progress is rarely a straight line or a comfortable One to walk. Thank you for sharing. Thank you. You