

Gwen McNallan
President, STS Foundation

Gwen McNallan has passionately dedicated the last 13 years of her life to cultural exchange programs in which she has been able to directly help young people grow and develop leadership skills within our diverse global community. She strongly believes in the impact intercultural programs have on students, schools, and host communities to foster peace, understanding, and compassion.

She joined the STS Foundation in April of 2022, stepping in as President and Board member. Prior to joining STS Foundation, she served as the Executive Director for a large student exchange program overseeing the United States and Canada; leading a nationwide network of regional offices, state coordinators, and hundreds of local coordinators overseeing the J-1 high school exchange program.

Gwen also has the personal experience of working with local, state, and nationally elected leaders to advance various goals and missions impacting our youth, families, schools, businesses, and communities. Gwen grew up in Minnesota but now lives in Southern California with her husband, their beloved Golden Retriever, and their four adult children who are out of the house, but gratefully living nearby.