

Svetlana Hutfles is a nonprofit executive and international philanthropy leader with more than 26 years of experience advancing community philanthropy, corporate social responsibility, and cross-sector partnerships to build equitable communities. Throughout her career, she has helped organizations expand their impact locally, nationally, and globally by developing sustainable programs, strengthening organizational capacity, cultivating strategic partnerships, and leading successful fundraising and development initiatives.

As Executive Director of Insulin for Life USA, Svetlana oversees domestic and international programs that provide life-saving insulin and diabetes supplies to underserved communities worldwide. She leads organizational operations, strategic partnerships, donor engagement, communications, and sustainability initiatives while ensuring effective stewardship of resources and compliance with U.S. and international regulations.

Previously, Svetlana served as Executive Director of the APS Type 1 Foundation and spent 13 years as Executive Director of the Kansas Association of Community Foundations (KACF). During her tenure, she transformed KACF into a nationally recognized organization, increasing its assets from approximately \$340,000 to \$2.5 million, raising more than \$6 million in grants, and expanding membership from 48 to 107 community foundations. During that time, KACF members' collective assets grew from \$1.2 billion in 2008 to \$5.7 billion in 2021. She also developed a nationally recognized training program and the National Conference for Growing Community Foundations, strengthened advocacy efforts, and helped community foundations engage in impact investing, leadership development, and long-term philanthropic capacity building across the United States.

Earlier in her career, Svetlana played a key role in developing community philanthropy in Eastern Europe, advising corporations on corporate social responsibility, building international partnerships, and helping establish innovative philanthropic models that strengthened civil society. Her work has spanned North America, Europe, and Russia, bringing together nonprofits, businesses, governments, and community leaders to create lasting social impact.

Svetlana holds a Master of Arts with Honors in International Studies from the University of Leeds in the United Kingdom, where she specialized in corporate social responsibility and international development. She also completed postgraduate studies in Political Science at Miami University in Ohio and earned a bachelor's degree, *summa cum laude*, in Philology and Linguistics from the International Academy of Business & Banking in Russia.

A recognized leader in the philanthropic sector, Svetlana has contributed to international research and publications on community foundations, presented at global conferences, and served on numerous

advisory committees. Her work has been featured in *The Chronicle of Philanthropy*, and she is a Chevening Award Scholar, a Transatlantic Community Foundation Network Ambassador, and an alumna of several prestigious international leadership programs.

Driven by a passion for collaboration, innovation, and service, Svetlana remains committed to helping organizations and communities build equitable, healthy, and sustainable futures around the world.