

**Lynette Dowler**

President DTE Energy Foundation

Lynette Dowler is president of the DTE Energy Foundation, the philanthropic arm of DTE Energy. As president, she brings operational expertise, strategic focus, and inspiration to the Foundation and is responsible for reviewing and directing grants to more than 300 non-profit organizations across Michigan.

Dowler has been with DTE Energy for more than 30 years, holding leadership roles in a wide range of departments where she's led business planning and budget management, vision development and implementation, quality control and company-wide continuous improvement efforts. During her tenure at DTE Energy, she served as the director of Corporate Safety and led DTE Energy to achieve a best-in-industry safety performance rating and it was named the safest energy company in North American. Under Lynette's leadership, DTE Energy improved safety performance by 50 percent and implemented an Executive Safety Committee focused on reducing the most severe incidences. Additionally, Dowler has served as plant director for Fossil Generation and director of Enterprise Performance Management.

Being involved with nearly every aspect of DTE Energy, Dowler understands the impact that the company can have on families and communities, and her opportunity to lead the Foundation blends a personal passion with her professional career. As president, she ensures that the Foundation's investments create the most state-wide impact by being effectively distributed in each priority giving area, including arts and culture, basic needs, community transformation, economic progress, education and employment, and environment.

Dowler remains active in the community through a variety of non-profit roles and leadership positions with a personal mission to support the least, last and lost. She volunteers with Mercy Health New Beginnings, which supports abused and battered women, and she is also involved with international mission work through New Hope Moldova to eliminate human trafficking.

Dowler earned her bachelor's and master's degrees in business administration from the University of Toledo. She currently leads the Monroe County Community College Board of Trustees as chairman and serves on The Parade Company Board of Directors. Dowler has been married to her husband for more than 30 years and enjoys traveling and spending time with her three children, niece and three grandchildren.