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Catherine DeLoughry communicates about the agenda of the Allegheny Conference on Community Development and its Affiliates, a leading U.S. regional economic development and civic engagement organization, to decision-making audiences throughout and beyond the Pittsburgh region.

Her work includes strategic communications and media relations, public policy outreach and advocacy, leadership engagement, fundraising, organizational development, benchmarking and strategic planning. She serves as the staff lead for the Conference's Agenda setting process. For the 2015-2017 Agenda, she engaged over 1,000 regional decision makers and emerging leaders to develop the Conference's action plan to connect people to opportunity – through economic & community development, infrastructure and workforce.

Ms. DeLoughry has also spearheaded several special assignments, serving as Executive Director of the Pittsburgh G-20 Partnership, the public-private host committee created to welcome the world to Pittsburgh for the G-20 Leaders Summit in September 2009 and to tell the story of Pittsburgh's transformation. She provided staff leadership for the statewide IssuesPA project during the 2002 and 2006 Pennsylvania gubernatorial elections and for "Pittsburgh 250," a three-year celebration of the Pittsburgh region's 250th anniversary.

Ms. DeLoughry served as Executive Director of the Allegheny 2000 Citizens Committee, a countywide, non-partisan organization that worked for the successful passage of the Allegheny County Home Rule Charter referendum in the May 1998 primary election. Following the passage of the referendum, she worked closely with Allegheny County government staff and officials and a wide variety of community leaders and partners to develop the new government structure and operations. In 2005, she was engaged in a subsequent successful government reform effort to streamline the county's row offices via referendum.

Before joining the Conference in 1994, Ms. DeLoughry held positions in non-profit management and healthcare administration. A native of New York City, Ms. DeLoughry holds a master's degree in public administration from the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public and International Affairs and a bachelor's degree in anthropology from The University of Chicago. She serves on the National Academy of Sciences Science & Engineering Ambassadors Advisory Board and is a Leadership Pittsburgh graduate. She and her husband and son live in Regent Square.

