## **Executive Biography of Katie Haas**



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Membership Director Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce



Katie Haas has served as membership director of the Edwardsville/Glen Carbon Chamber of Commerce since 2017. In this role, Katie is responsible for promoting members to the community, facilitating mutually beneficial relationships among members and advocating on behalf of the regional business community. She also has the pleasure of leading the chamber's team of volunteer ambassadors.

Katie has completed the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's 96-hour professional development program, Institute for Organization Management (IOM), at the University of Wisconsin – Madison. She enjoys learning about industry best practices and ensuring the chamber's offerings adhere to the highest standards. Most recently Katie earned her Accredited Chamber Executive (ACE) designation through the Illinois Association Chamber of Commerce Executives (IACCE).

The Ed/Glen Chamber in 2019 earned its first national accreditation from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce in the chamber's 95 years of existence. This accreditation with five-star distinction places the Ed/Glen Chamber in the top 1.7% of chambers of commerce nationwide, recognizing adherence to industry best practices and organizational excellence. Katie is incredibly proud to be a part of the only chamber of commerce south of Springfield, IL accredited by the U.S. Chamber and loves discussing the programs and services that make the Ed/Glen Chamber stand out in not just the region and state, but the country.

An Illinois native, Katie fell in love with the Edwardsville area while attending McKendree University in 2003. She held a management position in corporate training at Lewis and Clark Community College for 10 years before bringing her career back to Edwardsville to join the chamber team. Since then, she has met some of the most genuine, hardest working business people on the planet and dedicates each day to serving their needs through her work with the chamber.

Katie enjoys doing professional development presentations and facilitating discussions for a number of organizations on behalf of the Ed/Glen Chamber, including the IACCE, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville, and Rotary. She currently serves on IACCE's board of directors and has volunteered at Midwest IOM as a class advisor, having previously been appointed to the city's economic advisory board. Prior to joining the chamber, Katie served in multiple leadership capacities with the Illinois Council for Continuing Education & Training, including board president.