

## ***Jennifer Leonard***

Jennifer Leonard serves as President and Executive Director of the Rochester NY Area Community Foundation, a nonprofit leadership organization that works with area philanthropists to strengthen the six-county region. In 2008, the Community Foundation distributed nearly \$22 million in grants. During her tenure, the foundation has grown more than fivefold. She is a recognized expert on charitable giving and the nonprofit sector.

At the national level, Ms. Leonard helped develop and led implementation of the first national standards for community foundations. She serves on the public policy committee of Independent Sector, the national voice for charities and foundations. Previously she has served as vice chair of both the Rochester Downtown Development Corporation and Grantmakers Forum of New York. In 2007, the *Rochester Business Journal* named Ms. Leonard one of “20 businesspeople who have made the biggest impact on Rochester over the past 20 years.”