

Lafayette Ford serves as South Shore Works board of directors' treasurer. Along with being a native of this community for more than 20 years, Lafayette has held various positions that lend themselves to his current position as treasurer. He served as both president and treasurer for South Shore's Planning and Preservation Coalition since 2013. Also he has roots in GLOBAL GIRLS INC, founded in 2000. This organization puts women and girl's stories on stage and transforms lives. Through rigorous theater and dance training participants develop essential skills which help them succeed on stage and in life. Lafayette has served on the board of directors since 2017 and board chairman since 2019.

Lafayette also serves in other capacities in the South Shore community as the Vice Chairman Board of Directors for BLACK UNITED FUND OF ILLINIOS (BUFI), Board of Directors SOUTHERN SHORES YACHT CLUB, and the CORE Group for REAL MEN FATHERS DAY EVENT. BUFI is a not for profit tax exempt federated organization and social movement designed to improve the quality of life for African Americans through reliance of self-help at the local community and state level.

He is married with two children and also a retired Chicago Public Schools Administrator.