

# Leigh Sempeles, Esq.

**Leigh Sempeles, Esq.** began as Executive Director of the St. Vincent de Paul, Dayton District Council in December 2006. Established in 1948, the District Council has its foundation in its 36 Conferences, which are based in local parishes and colleges. Partnering with the Community Store and the Food Pantry, the Conferences aid those in poverty in their local communities. For adults and families who become homeless in Dayton and Montgomery County, emergency assistance is provided at two 24-hour Gateway Shelters operated by St. Vincent de Paul. The organization also offers transitional and permanent supportive housing programs designed to help our neighbors in need achieve housing stability.

Prior to joining St. Vincent de Paul, Leigh was employed for more than 20 years at LexisNexis holding management positions in strategy, marketing and product development. She is a graduate of Wright State University with a Bachelor's Degree in History (Magna Cum Laude) and the University of Dayton School of Law. Upon graduation from law school, she practiced law for several years in the general practice areas of domestic relations, probate and bankruptcy and she remains on active status as a member of the Ohio Bar. Leigh also has a Master's Degree in Management from Antioch University, McGregor and is an adjunct associate professor in the MBA program at the University of Maryland University College. Leigh enjoys reading and traveling – particularly to historical sites. Leigh is an active community volunteer and board member with several non-profit groups in the Dayton area. She resides in Springboro with her husband, Mark.

