



## Dr. Juhanna Rogers

### Vice President of Racial Equity & Social Impact CenterState CEO

Juhanna Rogers, PhD is the vice president of racial equity and social impact leading CenterState CEO's Racial and Equity and Social Impact portfolio. Previously, she served as director of community engagement and empowerment within the Economic Inclusion portfolio, developing communication and engagement strategies that drive change in Syracuse, New York. Prior to working at CenterState CEO she was the director for Health Services at Syracuse Community Connections. She also has a background in higher education.



She earned her undergraduate degree from Penn State in integrative arts and a Master of Science from Indiana University in higher education student affairs. She is also a part of Indiana University's history. While completing her doctoral program in 2016, she and seven of her colleagues were deemed "The Great 8" and were recognized as the largest number of Black women to complete doctorate degree requirements simultaneously. The Great 8 were selected as Ebony Magazine Power 100 Honorees for being change makers in education.

Dr. Rogers is a scholar-artist and is the creator of Behind the Woman, a WCNY television production that shares personal stories from diverse women leaders to empower other woman to pursue their goals and dreams. She has traveled and lived in Spain, England and Costa Rica while pursuing her graduate education. She currently lives in Syracuse and is the mother of a fifteen year-old son, Nile.

### *About CenterState CEO*

CenterState CEO, based in Syracuse, New York, is an independent and forward-thinking economic development strategist, business leadership organization and chamber of commerce; dedicated to the success of its members and the prosperity of the region. Its vision is for a region where business thrives, and people prosper.

CenterState CEO offers a suite of diversity, equity and inclusion trainings, led by Dr. Juhanna Rogers, that engage and empower staff at all levels on issues of race and equity, helping companies and their teams understand, contextualize and lead on issues in the work place.