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Nina Waters has led Florida's oldest and largest community foundation since 2005. During her tenure, the Foundation's assets and annual grantmaking have more than quadrupled, with total assets of \$482 million in 2019 and annual grants to the community of \$50 million. Nina's accomplishments include the launch of a ten-year Quality Education for All Initiative and the development of the Foundation's first giving circle, the Women's Giving Alliance.

Nina currently serves on the Jacksonville Civic Council, Jacksonville University's Board of Trustees and Jacksonville University Public Policy Institute's Board of Advisors. She is a past chairman of the Southeastern Council of Foundations (an association of grantmakers serving 11 states in the Southeast), former President of Community Foundations of Florida, a founding member of the Women's Giving Alliance, a former member of the Florida Board of Managers for Nemours Children's Hospital, and is the former President of Uptown Civitan Club. She is one of Florida Trend's 500 Most Influential Business Leaders. Nina was honored by Leadership Jacksonville in 2016, and she received the President's Citation from OneJax Institute in 2014, the same year she was inducted into the First Coast Business Hall of Fame. She won the Florida Times-Union EVE Award for Employment in 2013.

Nina is a native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania and moved to Jacksonville in 1976 to attend Jacksonville University. She is married to Lex Waters; their son, Alex, his wife, Erika, and grandson Ace live in Atlanta.

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