

Marty Alvarado

Senior Director



As senior director of cross-sector networks and a member of the Pathways to Prosperity team at JFF, Marty J. Alvarado provides support to regions scaling up Linked Learning and to California Career Pathways Trust grantees. This work focuses on building a community of regional ecosystems to support pathways to college and career success across the state. It brings together a diverse set of stakeholders, K-12 education, colleges, employers, and workforce agencies to support K-16 career pathways with a focus on high-demand career fields. Marty provides technical assistance, facilitation of peer-to-peer learning communities, and on-site coaching and facilitation.

Prior to joining JFF in 2015, Marty led a range of workforce development initiatives serving both youth and adults within the California community college system. Her work focused on developing integrated education and workforce development pathways that enabled young people and adults to earn credentials that are in high demand in the economy. With more than 15 years of experience in higher education, she brings expertise in program development and implementation, community engagement and partnerships, industry engagement and work-based learning, and has served as a grant development director.



She received a bachelor's from Whittier College in Whittier, California, and a master's in philosophy and cultural analysis from the Universiteit van Amsterdam located in the Netherlands.