

Woman with a Heart for Bakersfield

Tracy Walker Kiser



Tracy Walker Kiser has a heart for loving and serving people in the Bakersfield community. She has a passion to give back and generously helps others by volunteering her time to those in need. She not only inspires others with her unending volunteerism, but her servant's heart graciously floods throughout her personal and professional life. Being social and outgoing comes naturally to Tracy who loves people and has never met a stranger.

Tracy's extensive community service and dedicated leadership on numerous community boards reflects her passion to give and serve. Tracy currently serves on the boards of Bakersfield Memorial Hospital Foundation and Kern County Museum. Her past board service includes Junior Achievement, Bakersfield Museum of Art, and CASA of Kern County. As a 25-year member of Junior League of Bakersfield, promoting volunteerism and philanthropy, Tracy was honored as "Volunteer of the Year" in 2003-2004, elected president 2008-2009, and achieved "Sustainer of the Year" in 2012-2013.

For 18 years, Tracy has been an active member of the Rotary Club of Bakersfield – Downtown, where she served as president during the 2011-2012 year. A 5-term president of the Bakersfield Community House since 2010, she has devoted her time, energy, and efforts to helping seniors citizens stay active and engaged with our community.

Tracy currently owns and operates the family business located downtown, H. Walker's Clothing & Gifts. Started by her father Herb Walker in 1971, the men's clothing store is now in its 45th year.

Though her work life takes up the majority of her time, Tracy's husband Brian characterizes her cheerful daily undertaking as, "She goes to work and plays all day," to which Tracy responds, "I have the incredible opportunity to love what I do so it really does not feel like work. My customers are an extension of my family." Tracy is not only devoted to service, but she encourages and inspires others by expressing her love for working in downtown Bakersfield, getting out to walk, talk, and know the people in her community.

Tracy was born in Bakersfield and is a proud graduate of Garces Memorial High School and Bakersfield College, and an alumna of CSUB. She has been married to Brian Kiser for 12 years, and they have a Labrador named Chloe who is the love of their life. Unfortunately, the family recently lost Tracy's mom Doris Walker, who was her very best friend. Tracy takes pride in her older sister Nancy Walker, a college professor and Pasadena resident, and her father, mentor, and role model Herb Walker, an avid golfer.

Tracy loves Bakersfield and the residents for many reasons. "Bakersfield provides so many opportunities to network, to be involved, and to take pride in where we live. It's hard to meet a stranger if you are always willing to say hello."