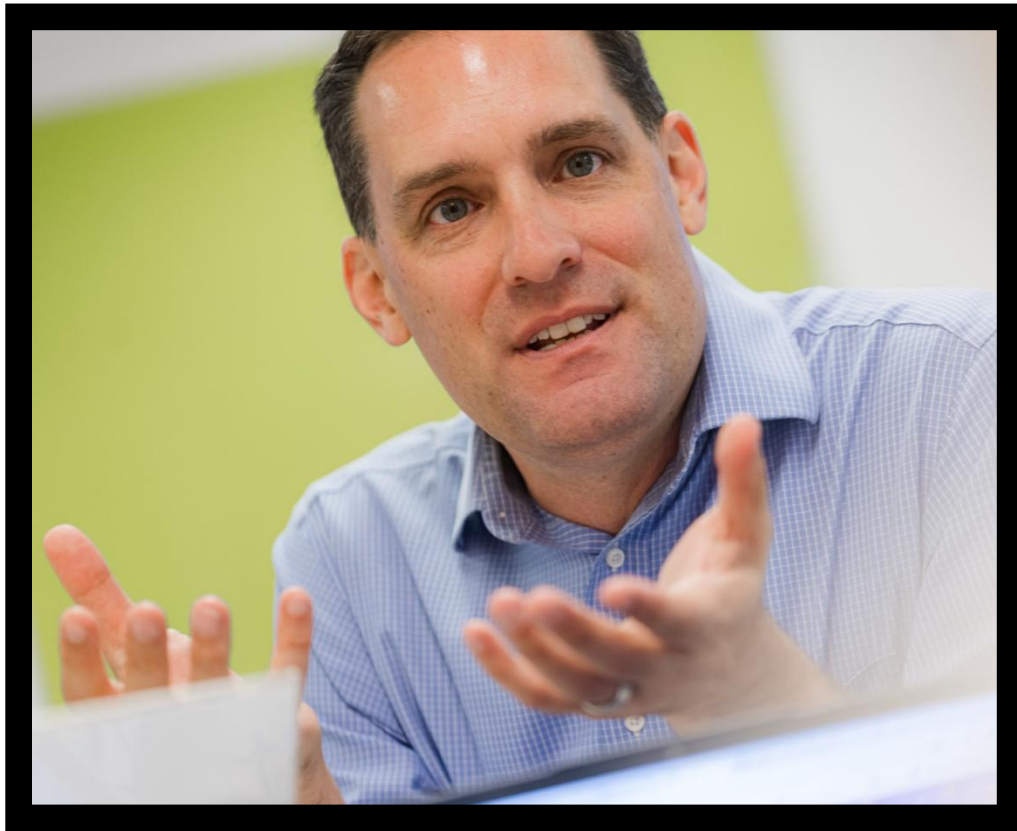




Graig Meyer became the Executive Director of the North Carolina Justice Center in spring of 2026 after spending twelve years as a member of the North Carolina General Assembly.

The North Carolina Justice Center has been one of the state's leading policy advocacy and legal services organizations for the last three decades. As part of its People First Agenda, the Justice Center advocates for policies that center people across six issue areas: education, health, immigration, criminal justice, workers' rights, and consumer protection.

As a trained social worker, Graig approaches his public service through the desire to help people connect to the power and resources they need for opportunity and prosperity. He has been a leading voice for public education, ensuring the state does its part to combat the ongoing climate crisis, and government transparency among many topics.

Graig spent sixteen years working in North Carolina's public schools and twelve years consulting with public schools across the country. He has published two books based on his work in schools: "More than a Mentoring Program: Attacking Institutional Racism" and "The Purposeful Principal: Practices for Leading

Joyful, Successful Schools." Graig also serves as Treasurer of the Southern Regional Education Board.

Graig lives in Orange County with his partner, Kym Meyer, an environmental attorney, and they love every chance to gather their six children: Ashley, Mason, William, Felix, Rio and Sky.



Sharon Hirsch serves as the President and CEO of Positive Childhood Alliance North Carolina, where she leads a team that works alongside partners, families, and communities across the state by challenging the status quo for how we support children and families – leading to more positive childhoods. She has more than 30 years' experience in nonprofit and government agency management, public relations, advocacy and child well-being. At PCANC she has led efforts to catalyze prevention investments across the State, has

secured more than \$4 million in new investments in PCANC and led a successful rebrand of Prevent Child Abuse NC to Positive Childhood Alliance NC. She was named one of the Triangle Business Journal's 25 Women in Business Award recipients for 2024 and on behalf of the agency received the Montana Institute's Normie Award for Organizational Transformational in 2024.