BIOGRAPHY



Krista Gardner

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Krista oversees the firm's Outsourced CFO and Accounting Solutions Department, delivering temporary and permanent support in areas including financial audit guidance, financial statement preparation, operational efficiency enhancement, and growth opportunity identification. She serves as strategic leadership for organizations as they navigate transitional periods and in long-term leadership roles for organizations seeking guidance at a CFO level.

Krista joined SEK as a Member of the Firm in 2020. For more than 17 years, Krista has worked exclusively with the not-for-profit and governmental industries and is well versed in the unique experiences these organizations face including obstacles to success. Above all, she is committed to helping her clients fulfill their mission by providing meaningful guidance and strategic solutions.

With a background in audit and attest services, Krista understands the compliance requirements and challenges that organizations face and routinely challenges the status quo by focusing on future industry trends, disruptions, and the needs of her clients. Krista’s many strengths, including a servant heart for missional and community-oriented organizations, allow her to collaborate effectively with her clients as an advisor, consultant, and educator.

Krista’s passion for not-for-profits and respect for their community impact can be seen in her personal commitment to many local organizations. She has been named to Forbes 2026 America's Best-in-State CPAs and Forbes 2025 Top 200 CPAs, recognized for her experience, innovation, leadership, and community service.

NEWS & AWARDS

- Five SEK Leaders Named Best-In-State CPAs for 2026 by Forbes

Areas of Practice

- Outsourced CFO & Accounting

Industries

- Local Government
- Nonprofit

Community Involvement

- The York Jewish Community Center - Treasurer, Finance Committee Chair
- Byrnes Health Education - Board Member, Executive Committee Member, Finance Committee Member
- Appell Center for the Performing Arts - Finance Committee Member
- Susquehanna University - Global Business Perspectives Judge
- Special Olympics York County - Past Management Team Member, Fundraising Coordinator

- Special Olympics PA - 2016 Management Team Member of the Year

Education

- B.S. Accounting, Information Systems Minor - Susquehanna University

Certifications

- Certified Public Accountant - Pennsylvania
- AICPA Not-for-Profit Certificate II

Professional Affiliations

- American Institute of CPAs - Member
- Pennsylvania Institute of CPAs - Member
- AICPA - Government Audit Quality Center Member
- AICPA - Not-for-Profit Center Member
- PICPA - Council At-Large Representative
- PICPA - Government Accounting and Auditing Committee Member
- PICPA - Not-for-Profit Committee Member
- PICPA - South Central Executive Committee Member
- Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials - Accounting and Audit Committee Member
- ConvergenceCoaching Transformational Leadership Program Graduate
- BOARDWay Bound Not-for-Profit Leadership Program Graduate