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# Teresa Spaeth Join the University of Minnesota Crookston as Veden Chair of Rural Economic Development

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Teresa Spaeth recently joined the University of Minnesota Crookston as the Veden Chair of Rural Economic Development/Director of Strategic initiatives. Previously, Spaeth held executive director positions at the Agricultural Utilization Research Institute and the Conservation Corps of Minnesota and Iowa.

Moreover she has served as interim dean at White Earth Tribal and Community College. Spaeth has over 20 years of experience catalyzing rural economic development, spearheading communities of practice in value-added agriculture, renewable energy, conservation and experiential learning.

Spaeth also serves on the advisory board of Lead for Minnesota, an AmeriCorps program focusing on rural opportunity development as well as the Charities Review Council program committee. Spaeth's areas of interest include transformation in rural higher education, rural community development and catalyzing rural prosperity.

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