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Sam Monroe Bio

Sam Monroe is a passionate community leader, mentor, and advocate dedicated to making a lasting impact in the lives of youth and families. Guided by the belief that “life is not worth living until you have made a difference in a person’s life,” Sam has committed his life to encouraging, empowering, and motivating others to reach their fullest potential. He believes that working with people goes beyond simply knowing their names — it is about building meaningful, long-lasting relationships that inspire growth and transformation.

A native of Fort Lauderdale, Sam, brings decades of leadership experience in both the nonprofit and community development sectors. He previously served for 19 years with the YMCA of Broward County as the Executive Director of the L.A. Lee YMCA Family Center in downtown Fort Lauderdale. During his tenure, he developed extensive expertise in fundraising, board development, grant management, budgeting, and community engagement while working tirelessly to strengthen youth and families throughout Broward County.

Through his faith and leadership, Sam is known for inspiring individuals to recognize and maximize the strengths and gifts placed within them. He is the author of *The Power of a Fatherless Child*, a work that reflects his passion for healing, encouragement, and personal growth. In every area of service, he strives daily to uplift individuals and communities through hope, faith, and empowerment.

Sam currently serves as an Elder at Koinonia Worship Center and Village and serves on the boards of Koinonia Community Development, Inc. and Healing Footprints, Inc. He believes that while challenges are a part of life, success begins with believing that all things are possible through determination, faith, and perseverance.

Today, Sam serves as the President and CEO of Ignite Empowerment Community Center, Inc., where he oversees the daily operations and programming of the organization to ensure impactful services are provided throughout Broward County communities. His lifelong commitment to service continues to inspire positive change and empower individuals to become the very best versions of themselves.