

Katie Hogarty, Director of External Relations, Climb, Wyoming

Katie Hogarty's more than decade of experience in program and relationship cultivation at Climb provide her a wealth of structural knowledge to successfully navigate state and federal partnerships. In addition, she has a keen perspective on the role Climb plays in Wyoming families, communities, and workforce. Prior to joining Climb, Katie worked for Governor Freudenthal's administration as a Health and Human Services Policy Analyst. She speaks nationally on Climb's federally recognized best practices and presented at the *US Department of Agriculture SNAP and Employment and Training Participant Engagement Strategies in Times of COVID* Webinar, discussing Climb Wyoming's job training and placement program during the current COVID-19 pandemic, and demonstrated the innovation and creativity of new strategies that were incorporated in the organization's service delivery model to successfully continue operations for SNAP Employment and Training participants in their statewide program. She has been invited to share Climb's expertise and input on economic recovery and resilience at the US Council on Economic Mobility as an external employment and training provider. Hogarty holds a JD from the University of Wyoming and will become Climb's next CEO in the fall of 2021.