## Cicely D. Campbell, MSW, LSW Director, Women in Transition Program & Carl Perkins Grant

Ms. Cicely Campbell is the Director of the Women In Transition (WIT) Program and the Carl Perkins Grant of Cuyahoga Community College (Tri-C<sup>®</sup>). Ms. Campbell joined the Tri-C community when she was going through her own "transitional" stage and became a W. E. P. volunteer for the W.I.T. Program. Her professionalism and expertise were quickly noted and Ms. Campbell was hired on as the financial literacy coordinator of the program. Ms. Campbell quickly climbed the ranks from financial literacy coordinator, student advisor, Interim Manager, and then Program Manager for WIT, all within a year's time. A year later, she was promoted to the Director of the Women in Transition Program and given the responsibility of coordinating the Carl Perkins Grant for the college.

Prior to her employment with Cuyahoga Community College, Ms. Campbell worked for The Phyllis Wheatley Transitional Housing Program of YWCA Metro St. Louis, United Way of Greater St. Louis Region, and Planned Parenthood of the St Louis Region and Southwest Missouri.

Ms. Campbell received her bachelor's degree from Vanderbilt University where she studied Human and Organizational Development and later went on to earn her master's in Social Work (MSW) with a concentration in social and economic development from The George Warren Brown School of Social Work of Washington University in St. Louis. Ms. Campbell is also a Licensed Social Worker (LSW) in the state of Ohio.

Ms. Campbell, a Cleveland Native, has loved the work she has been a part of in various cities, however, she has always had a passionate desire to return home and be of service to her hometown community. Ms. Campbell is also a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc,. a mentor with The Black Caucus of Tri-C, and holds memberships with The Zonta Club of Cleveland, The Tri-C Alumni and Friends Association, The Urban League of Cleveland, and Young Leaders of United Way of Greater Cleveland. Recently, she was privileged to be inducted to the 2014 class of the Forty-Forty Club recognized by Kaleidoscope Magazine and she is a proud alumna of the Cleveland Leadership Center.

Above everything else, Ms. Campbell states that her two greatest accomplishments are making her mother, Linda proud of her and being the mother of the best son in the world, Jackson.

## Speech Topics:

- Cuyahoga Community College's Women in Transition Program: This free, noncredit course is designed to help women move their lives forward and serves women experiencing any type of transition, as defined by each individual. Participants receive basic computer training, help in career exploration, financial literacy enrichment, and soft skill training that examines issues such as self-confidence, attitude, time management and personal responsibility. This speech will discuss the services offered by the Women in Transition program and how it empowers women to set and achieve goals.
- Women Empowerment: This interactive speech explores women's views on themselves and discusses setting and achieving personal goals.

- What's holding you back? Overcoming obstacles to climb the professional ladder: Obstacles can make professional success seem out of reach. Individuals facing poverty, single parenthood, a previous criminal record, or academic struggles in school may feel as if they have unsurmountable obstacles to their success. This inspirational speech will discuss overcoming obstacles to achieve your dreams by exploring your strengths, setting and working toward future goals, and believing in your ability to achieve a successful future. This speech can be customized based upon audience interest.
- **Balancing Act of a Young Professional:** Young professionals must balance working to establish themselves in their career with personal priorities such as children / family, friends, hobbies and community involvement. Learn tips for setting and balancing your priorities.
- Balancing Academics and Athletics: As a former college athlete, Ms. Campbell will discuss tips for balancing academics and athletics and preparing for life after college athletics. This speech is intended for current athletes at the middle school, high school or college level.
- The College Athletic Recruitment Process: Do you think you have what it takes to attend college on an athletic scholarship? This speech will discuss the college athletic recruitment process from the perspective of a former college athlete and will offer tips for success during the recruitment process as well as in college and life. This speech is intended for high school athletes aspiring to play at the college level.