In June 2015, Focus: HOPE named Melinda Conway Callahan as the new Chief Development Officer of Focus: HOPE. Callahan is responsible for creating a culture of philanthropy; talent management, providing strategic assistance to the financial stability as well as directing the operations of communications and government affairs and public policy.

Callahan’s previous positions include CDO at Forgotten Harvest, President of Crittenton Hospital Medical Center Foundation and President of Presbyterian Villages of Michigan Foundation.

She has degrees from Michigan State University and Masters of Public Administration from Oakland University and was Adjunct Faculty, Wayne State University.

She serves on numerous national, state and local boards. She is a graduate of Leadership Oakland, Leadership Detroit and Executive Leadership through Inforum.