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Ms. Ashe is the President of the Montgomery County Chamber Community Foundation (MCCCCF) and serves as the National Director of the Veteran Institute for Procurement. She is also the Executive Vice President at the Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce (MCCC).

As President of the Foundation, Ms. Ashe launched the Veteran Institute for Procurement (VIP) in 2009 and oversees strategic development of the program, manages a dedicated team of professionals in executing the program that now trains 200 veteran owned small business a year nationwide on how to accelerate their success in the federal marketplace. Ms. Ashe also manages the Foundation Board. She attends and is often asked to speak at national conferences about the VIP program. The U.S. Small Business Administration honored Ms. Ashe with the Veteran Small Business Advocate of the Year Award in 2011.

In her capacity as Executive Vice President, Barbara oversees the GovConNet Council and GovConNet Committee and works closely with the President in the strategic development of the Chamber's programs, events, Board of Directors, and overall management of the organization.

Ms. Ashe has a 22-year history of successful business management/development as well as strategic/operational planning. Well-respected in the public and private sector, she has an exceptional resolve to maintain professional integrity in all areas of responsibility and is able to form long-term productive relationships. She is adept at the development and review of complex budgets. A mission-oriented problem-solver, Ms. Ashe brings a creative and pragmatic approach to her work for the betterment of the organization and community's she serves.

Earlier in her career she was the Baltimore Area Manager at the Burroughs Corporation, which after its purchase of Sperry became the Unisys Corporation.