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Ann Marie Almeida is the President and CEO of the Association of Women's Business Centers (AWBC). The AWBC's vision is a world where economic justice, wealth and well-being are realized through the collective leadership and power of entrepreneurial women by developing and strengthening a global network of women's business centers to advance the growth and success of women business owners. As President and CEO of the AWBC, Ann Marie Almeida directs training, mentoring, funding and research programs that foster prosperity, encourage entrepreneurship, support economic access and empower leadership among women entrepreneurs.

Previously, Almeida served as the Director of Programs and Development for the Camden Public Library in Camden, Maine. In this capacity, Almeida oversaw the development and implementation of over 175 annual educational, cultural and technological programs while also directing fundraising activities and annual giving strategies and programs, as well as marketing, media and public relations activities. Almeida also served as a consultant to the Camden Public Library Foundation where she provided financial, development and policy expertise to foundation trustees regarding the institution's long-term growth and direction.

Almeida was the Director of Finance for Kodak's creative imaging programs, Director of Research for the Center for Venture

Research, Adjunct Professor of Finance at the University of New Hampshire, Managing Director of the Kelmscott Rare Breeds Foundation, and both Vice President and Director of Finance for Maine Photographic and International Film and Television Workshops.

Almeida currently serves as a board and advisory member for several organizations, including the New England Time Dollar Network, The Crafts Center, Project Tsunami's Global Brain Trust, the Camden Conference on Foreign Affairs, and Mainely Girls, and she is the Community Chair for the YMCA's giving program. She is also a featured speaker on Body and Soul, a nationally syndicated PBS series, and a host sponsor for the Nieman Fellows program of Harvard University.

Almeida earned her MBA with a concentration in finance from The Whittemore School of Business and Economics at the University of New Hampshire. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology and Speech Communications from Boston College.