

Sandy Tecklenburg – First Lady of Charleston

Sandy Tecklenburg is First Lady of the City of Charleston; and as half of Charleston's first couple, she is no wilting wallflower. Sandy shares her husband's vision for Charleston, and she shows her support by working alongside him and stepping in to pinch-hit for him on days when his schedule is tight.

As a native Charlestonian, Sandy understands the challenges faced by Charleston's residents across the board and responsibly views her position as an opportunity to continue endorsing causes she championed as a private citizen. Sandy is passionate about systematically alleviating homelessness in the city; creating avenues for second chances via initiatives like FreshStart Visions where she is a Board Member, the Delancey Street Foundation and the Turning Leaf Project.

Often seen at Charleston Symphony Orchestra concerts, Sandy is a vocal advocate of the Arts - citing its powerful impact on the human soul. As such, it's typical to find Sandy reading to children in schools, attending theatrical and musical performances, or serving in some capacity at significant cultural events such as *Requiem for Rice*.

Sandy Tecklenburg is a humble woman who is committed to public service and community building. She celebrates and embraces diversity, and she is of the belief that we all have something of value to offer. Sandy envisions a Charleston characterized by love - a place where people will see beyond perceived barriers and love their neighbors.