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Annette Strickland has had a distinguished career in public service and philanthropy. She is Executive Director at The Schumann Fund, for New Jersey, a private foundation that invests in the areas of early childhood development, vulnerable children, public policy within the State of New Jersey, and community based social service organizations in Essex County, New Jersey.

Ms. Strickland is a member of the Essex County Model Court (an initiative of the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges), the Essex County Human Services Advisory Council, and has been deeply involved in state and local efforts to reform New Jersey's child welfare system. Before coming to the Schumann Fund in 1992, Ms. Strickland served in state and county government as Special Assistant to the Commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Energy, and as director of community relations for the Essex County Prosecutor's Office. She is a certified early childhood teacher and holds a BA (*cum laude*) in Child Study from Tufts University.