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Before joining The Opportunity Agenda, Richards spent over seven years as a Program Officer in Media, Arts and Culture at the Ford Foundation overseeing a national portfolio on Native American arts organizations and cultural communities. Previously, she was the inaugural Director of Public Programs for

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