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Diana Candelejo is the Corporate Director of Anchor Strategy for the Social Impact and Community Investment practice at RWJBarnabas Health. With an emphasis on ensuring health equity, the SICI practice is rooted in strategic policy change, combined with evidence-based and innovative programs that address the social, economic, and environmental conditions that have a significant impact on health outcomes. In her role, Diana leads the system's anchor mission to *Hire, Buy, Invest Local*. She has spearheaded anchor initiatives at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center and the South Ward community in Newark that promote local hiring and procurement from local minority-owned businesses.

Diana is the former (17-18) Curator of the Newark Global Shapers Hub. Previously, she has done pro-bono consulting for institutions such as the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), and non-profits to improve the accessibility of education services to vulnerable communities.

Diana received a Master of Public Administration from the London School of Economics and a Bachelor's degree in Economics from Drew University. She currently resides in Newark, NJ.