

#### **Bio's: Rocky Flats Downwinders Board Members**

# Tiffany Hansen

Tiffany Hansen is the co-founder and Director of Rocky Flats Downwinders. She was a Sex Educator and Couple's Counselor for 12 years before realizing she grew up close to Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Plant. After connecting with former neighbors, many who were sick and researching about the health impacts of the plant, she realized she was not satisfied with the research available and was concerned about the lack of support for impacted Rocky Flats Downwinders. As a result, she and her husband decided to organize a community group that served to advocate for Rocky Flats Downwinders through encouraging further research on the health implications of living near the plant and providing supportive services. With the realization, that many in the area are sick, it has been Tiffany's goal to create awareness with the medical community and within the community at large so sick members can be better supported from within. She wants to create a network of Rocky Flats Aware Professionals who are sensitive to the health problems that accompany radiation and chemical exposures. In 2017, Tiffany has transitioned the community organization to a more formal 501(c)(3) Non-profit to better serve the community through with grants to fund outreach to find impacted residents, research health issues and implement educational programs in the community which address the public health concerns of Downwinders.

## Nick Hansen

Nick Hansen is the co-founder and Treasurer of Rocky Flats Downwinders. He is also, an accomplished and driven contract law attorney who both specializes in contract law and has extensive experience in successfully resolving complex commercial litigation in both state and federal courts. As the founder and lead attorney for Hansen Law Firm, also known as Colorado Contract, he has served as lead counsel in over 200 cases involving claims of breach of contract, fraud, misappropriation, bad faith, unjust enrichment, professional malpractice, and/or negligence with dollar amounts in dispute ranging from twenty thousand to twenty million. He grew up in Evergreen Colorado and is passionate about protecting Colorado's great outdoors. He and his wife co-founded Rocky Flats Downwinders in 2015. Nick works to get the CDPHE to be accountable to the community.

## Denise Leonard

Denise Leonard serves on the Board for Rocky Flats Downwinders as Secretary. She holds a fifteen-year history in the weight management industry in various positions including counseling, training, and VP of operations. Today, she currently resides in Folsom, California and works with at-risk teenage children; including those sex trafficked; providing counseling support. She is a current graduate student of medical, marriage and family therapy and plans to pursue



specialization as a medical family therapist, counseling individuals and families impacted by medical crisis.

Her passion for supporting individuals and families impacted by illness comes from her personal family experience. Within months of her families move to Arvada, Colorado in 1996, unusual and numerous medical conditions plagued her young family including; infant brainstem immaturity; hydrocephalus; an undiagnosed seizure; chronic asthma; and tachycardia. Today, the medical crises continues as her oldest son is recovering from thyroid cancer and his father, from brain cancer. Denise and her family were unaware that they had resided only 5 miles from the former Rocky Flats Nuclear Weapons Plant until May of 2016 when her research revealed the connection of ionic radiation and exposure to nuclear weapons. Now partnered with the Rocky Flats Downwiders, Denise is eager and passionate to support efforts in raising awareness and providing resources to current and former residents.

#### Sharon Fleming

Sharon Fleming, M.Ed. is an adult education specialist with over thirty years experience. Currently she is teaching in Denver, CO. She raised three children downwind from Rocky Flats in the 1980's. She has developed and facilitated university courses in writing, business communications, social sciences, leadership and organizational behavior. In addition to the college courses, her lifelong interest in helping people identify their self-worth and limitless potential has led her to design and facilitate numerous workshops in personal growth. Her courses and workshops always include a component of reflective writing because she believes this process brings us closer to the awareness of who we are and what we should be doing in our lives. She inspires to facilitate a workshop for downwinders which encourage RFD to utilize journaling for healing.