

PROFILE

Erin Chrest

Senior Managing Director
Major & Planned Giving Department
Development Division



Erin Chrest joined Maryland Public Television in 2013 and currently serves as senior managing director of Major & Planned Giving within the Development Division.

In her role, Ms. Chrest oversees ongoing campaigns in addition to managing grants, annual leadership giving, and planned giving activities for the station's affiliated 501(c)(3) nonprofit, the MPT Foundation, Inc.

During her time at MPT, she established the Legacy Society, which enables individuals to include the statewide broadcaster in their estate plans. She also expanded membership in the Leadership Society, whose members make yearly contributions to the MPT Foundation. In 2018, Ms. Chrest was promoted to managing director, Major & Planned Giving, and to senior managing director in 2022.

She started her career in 2004 at Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA) where she excelled in several staff and management roles. Ms. Chrest was promoted to director of stewardship, managing major and planned giving prospects as well as MICA's annual scholarship event and donations. She remained in this position for five years before joining MPT.

Ms. Chrest graduated with a bachelor's degree in English literature from Wheeling Jesuit University and earned a master's degree in Appalachian studies from Appalachian State University. She is also a member of the National Association of Charitable Gift Planners.

Originally from Point Pleasant, West Virginia, Ms. Chrest now resides in Baltimore.



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