**Anne M. Mahlum** is an entrepreneur who loves to create and build with purpose. The majority of her focus over the past six years has been on Back on My Feet (BoMF), a non-profit organization she founded in Philadelphia in 2007 that uses the power of running to change the way those experiencing homelessness see themselves so they can make real change in their lives, which includes employment and independent housing.

In addition to Philadelphia, the organization now has chapters in Baltimore, Washington D.C., Boston, Chicago, Dallas and Indianapolis, Atlanta, New York City, Austin and opens in Los Angeles in October. Anne has led BoMF to become a $6.5M privately-funded organization with staff of 48, thousands of volunteers and hundreds of members. Anne's vision for Back on My Feet is simple, yet bold - to help as many people as possible, in the most efficient way as possible, redefine themselves so they can redefine their life and, just as important - to change the perception of homelessness on a global scale.

Anne and BoMF have been featured in countless times in both local and national media. In 2012, Anne hosted a documentary for *MTV* called The Break on youth homelessness and she was recently featured in a book, called 50 Everyday Heroes. Anne has been named ABC world News Person of the Week, a *CNN* Hero, *New Yorker* of the Week, a top 40 under 40 individual by both *Philadelphia* and *Washington DC's Business Journal*.

Anne regularly speaks at corporate events, academic institutions and conferences on numerous topics including, leadership, being bold, finding your happiness, the business behind starting a nonprofit, fundraising and social change.

Anne recently stepped down ...

## Testimonials

"Anne is an engaging storyteller — combining gravitas, humor, nuance and raw emotion to make powerful connections with her audience. And TED audiences are demanding; they require substance, novel thinking and real polish -- they see through the contrived and are immediately bored by speakers trotting out the usual or phoning-it-in. That's what makes Anne so powerful, she transcends the usual, is a real professional and works hard with event organizers to understand her audience to make every minute on stage count."

**- TEDxKC Curator.**

"Anne, an overdue note of gratitude for speaking with our TracyLocke cofounders. Your story, your delivery, your message and your insights — touched, inspired, resonated and were so relevant! You have been quoted frequently throughout the week. Your impact and influence will be felt for years to come."

**- President and CEO, TraceyLocke.**

**Anne Mahlum**

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