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M.A. Leonard is vice president and Pacific Northwest market leader for Enterprise Community Partners, Inc. She leads the delivery of Enterprise's product solutions, innovations, capital and policy efforts in the Pacific Northwest. Based in the Seattle office, M.A. works to build Enterprise's core strengths in the region, and to evaluate regional needs to identify opportunities that are consistent with Enterprise's mission.

M.A. joined Enterprise in 2010 with an extensive track record in affordable housing and community development. Most recently, she worked as an independent consultant providing strategic assistance to various community development organizations on their work with affordable housing development in Oregon and Washington.

Prior to her consultancy business, M.A. held the position of regional vice president with the National Equity Fund (NEF), Inc., an affiliate of the Local Initiative Support Corporation (LISC). M.A. opened the northwest office of NEF in 1998, and during her 10-year tenure, she managed acquisition and portfolio activities in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Colorado and Alaska. Before her role with NEF, M.A. was the founding director of the Washington Community Development Loan Fund, now Impact Capital. She also worked for the Seattle Housing Authority and the Lane County Housing and Community Services Agency in Eugene, Oregon.

M.A. is chair of the Washington State Affordable Housing Advisory Board, member of the King County Regional Housing Task Force Standing Advisory Panel, member of the Seattle Investment Fund's investment committee, board member of the Washington Community Reinvestment Association and member of the State Housing Trust Fund's policy advisory team. From 2007 to 2015, M.A. served on the Washington State Housing Finance Commission, and in 2014, she was appointed by Seattle Mayor Ed Murray to serve on the city's Housing Affordability and Livability Advisory Committee. M.A. earned a bachelor's degree in urban planning from the University of Illinois, and completed master's level coursework at Cornell University.