Samia Al-Fareh is the Deputy Director of Strategic Initiatives in the City of Syracuse Mayor's Office, originally came from Yemen. She has always been passionate about working for humanitarian organizations, believing that it is a crucial job to work and impact the lives of many families and vulnerable populations. Samia has worked for the United Nations and many local non-profit humanitarian organizations in Yemen and the USA. She strongly believes that the workplace of a humanitarian is not subject to one particular place. It can be anywhere in the world that is in need of help, a humanitarian worker acknowledges the importance of forming strong working bonds with their community and other communities. People from all over the world, from different walks of life and different faiths, can make a difference by their humanitarian acts.

Samia worked in difficult and dangerous environments with restrictions of movement. However, overcoming these challenges and facing personal adversity can be incredibly rewarding.

She is very excited to take on the new responsibilities and challenges that come with this role, and she is confident that she will be able to contribute to the success of the commission and help it grow.