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Since moving to Northwest Arkansas in 1999, Nirupama has been involved in several community activities, especially within the local South Asian community. She was the President of the NWA Hindu Temple, supervising the construction of the temple in 2011- 2012. During her tenure, she established the HANWA Youth Committee to increase engagement with the teenagers of the community, and ICANWA, the committee responsible for driving awareness of South Asian culture and conducting charitable activities. Nirupama is also one of the founders of Ready for Success, a grassroots group formed to help South Asian women develop professionally through a series of workshops; including resume writing, interviews, professional dress, presentations, etc.

Nirupama is currently a Co-Chairperson of the EngageNWA Immigrants from Abroad Committee, working with local agencies and community groups to make Northwest Arkansas an attractive and welcoming place for people moving to the U.S.

Nirupama was born in India and first moved to the U.S. when she was one year old. She subsequently lived for 3 years in Mauritius and 5 years in Kenya before moving permanently to the United States. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics from the University of Virginia and an MBA in General Management from the Darden School of Business at the University of Virginia.