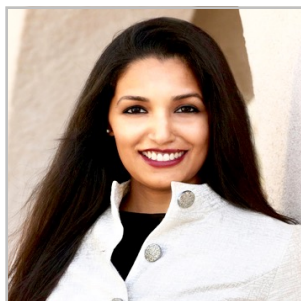


BIOGRAPHY



Meena Sankaran

Social Entrepreneur

Meena is the Founder and Executive Director of PRERNA and a social entrepreneur who has built several startup businesses in Silicon Valley.

Synopsis

Meena is the Founder and Executive Director of PRERNA, a non-profit organization focused on empowering refugees in the Bay Area to help them become self-sustainable, productive members of society. Meena started as an independent volunteer, concentrating on this cause in 2006 in Arizona. For over 10 years, she built PRERNA into a successful program by working qualitatively as the only refugee service provider in the U.S. with the intent to making refugees independent through continual support over a duration of time. PRERNA achieved 501(c)3 status in 2015 and currently serves around 100 refugees in Silicon Valley today.

Meena is a social entrepreneur, creator and builder of businesses driving innovation to solve challenges that bring about a global impact. She has been a key influencer through several leadership roles, diving into strategy and execution with her unique blend of business and technical acumen and reaching customers across different organizations (startups such as big switch networks, cumulus networks and multinational corporations including Cisco, Bank of America and others) over the past 15+ years.

Meena is the Founder of the W.IN.S (Women INner Strength) Lean in Circle. Since its inception at the end of 2015, the group has grown organically with over 500 active inspiring female members. W.IN.S Lean In Group empowers women to focus on their inner strengths and to achieve their dreams and visions with the tools and strategy as an ecosystem beyond their near-term career goals.

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Uplift every diligent man, woman and child to lead a sustainable and happy life.

MORE ABOUT MEENA

Meena is

- Former Vice Chair for the Refugee & Immigrant Forum of Santa Clara County.
- A Board Member across charitable organizations and technology startups.
- Founder and CEO of KloudXP, a consulting and engineering services company. (www.kloudxp.com)
- Founder and CEO of KETOS, Inc. an innovative smart water analytics company that integrates Water, Science, Data Science and Technology. (www.ketos.co)

Meena has been

- Awarded for innovation in clean-tech by the World Trade Center in India.
- Chosen as the Nasdaq Milestone Maker for 2017 and featured as a Nasdaq Entrepreneur.
- Awarded Industry Startup Disruptor for 2017 by UC Berkeley Innovation at the World Open Innovation Conference.

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