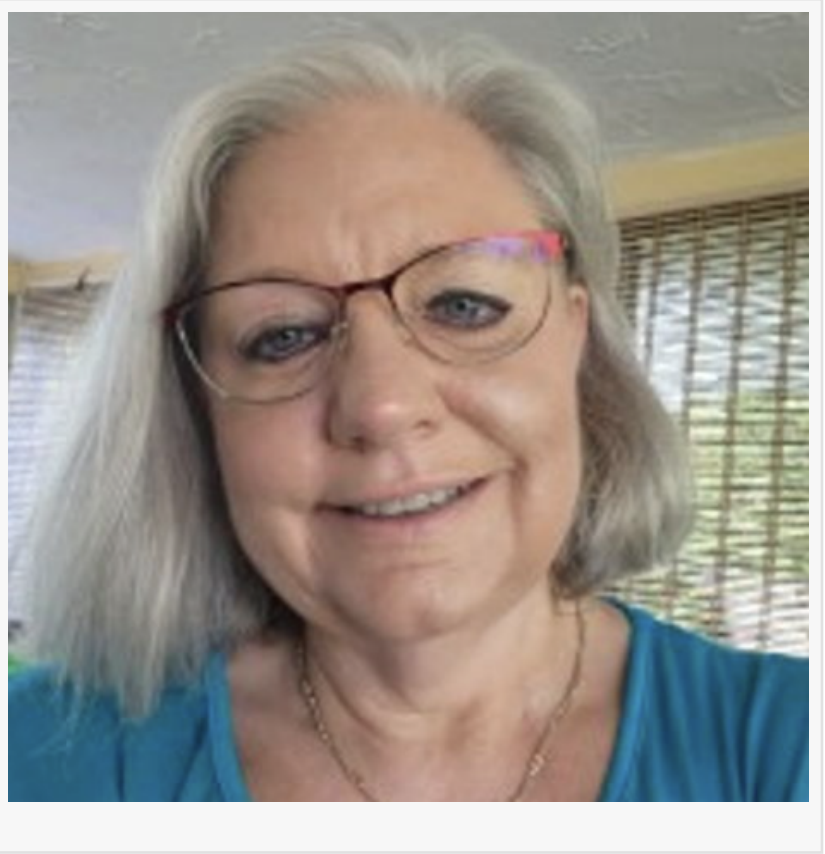


# Darlene LaBuda Recognized by Influential Women in 2025

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Women is proud to recognize Darlene LaBuda as part of its prestigious 2025 honorees, celebrating her exceptional leadership, technical excellence, and unwavering commitment to advancing the telecommunications industry. Darlene LaBuda is a Senior-Level Project Management Professional shaping the telecommunications infrastructure landscape. Based in New York, she currently brings her expertise to Tillman Fiber, specializing in 5G, long-haul, and FTTP/FTTH fiber deployments. Over the course of her career, Darlene has successfully managed large-scale, mission-critical projects, including the nationwide rollout of voice services on VoIP soft



switches for Verizon Long Distance and the OneFiber Orlando Verizon Wireless 5G UWB deployment, cementing her reputation as a leader capable of delivering transformative telecom solutions.

Known as a servant leader, Darlene emphasizes collaboration, mentorship, and operational excellence. She is recognized for driving outstanding team performance and regularly shares her insights on leadership, empowerment, and fostering a culture of kindness. Her passion for talent development extends beyond her immediate teams, as she actively participates in industry conversations around fiber-optic training and mentorship, encouraging others to grow alongside her.

Darlene's educational background reflects her commitment to both technical and business mastery. She holds a Bachelor of Science from Governors State University, as well as a Master of Science and an MBA from the University of Maryland Global Campus. She is a Certified Scrum

Professional and Certified ScrumMaster through Scrum Alliance and is an active member of the International Association of Female Professionals, Women's Wireless Leadership Forum, and the Society of Women Engineers.

Her success is rooted in a combination of technical expertise, people-first leadership, and unwavering dedication to quality and innovation. Darlene credits mentors Peggy Keegan and Claudia Cuddy at Bell Atlantic and Verizon for shaping her professional development, alongside her own determination and hard work. Whether coordinating vendors, motivating field teams, or steering strategic initiatives, she brings both vision and experience to every project, ensuring robust telecom infrastructure is delivered at scale.

Through her work, Darlene LaBuda continues to set a high standard for leadership and excellence in telecommunications, proving that technical mastery combined with empathetic leadership can drive both innovation and sustainable success across the industry.

Learn More about Darlene LaBuda:

Through her Influential Women profile, <https://influentialwomen.com/profile/darlene-labuda>

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