



Merry Korn

President and CEO, Pearl Interactive Network

Merry Korn is the founder of Pearl Interactive Network, Inc., a social enterprise that blends a for-profit business with a social mission, providing work opportunities for the most challenged populations: veterans, disabled veterans, military spouses, people with disabilities, and people living in geographically-challenged areas. As an experienced business owner and business woman with a master's degree in social work, Merry honed her business skills as senior vice president of marketing for American Health Holding, Inc. – a national medical management firm based in Worthington, Ohio. As part of a team of four founders, Merry grew American Health's business from a startup company in 1993 to a firm that today has over 300 employees and 20 offices nationwide.

In 2004, she founded Pearl Interactive Network, a social enterprise that blends a for-profit business with a social mission that provides work opportunities to the most challenged populations. Through Merry's leadership, the company has grown to more than 500 employees in 26 states. Pearl gained traction among the world's largest federal government contractors, and positioned the company as a niche staffing and project management firm that provides federal prime contractors with mandated certifications and a GSA schedule. Merry is actively working with her team to develop a presence in the insurance and IT verticals. During her spare time, she enjoys reading, gardening, yoga, spinning; and volunteers at the Center for New Directions – a non-profit that assists displaced homemakers with job readiness.