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The Center Operations Directorate is a mission support organization which provides security,

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procurement, logistical, and technical information, and external relation support to the NASA

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Well, I started at NASA about ten years ago as a Human Resources Director and moved from

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there to the Director of Diversity for the NASA Glenn Research Center, and also did a

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stint in CSCDP which is a senior executive career development program for NASA where

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I served as deputy for the NASA Safety Center, an operations analyst at headquarters, and

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as the executive officer for the then Deputy Administrator, Shana Dale.

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I have an MBA in operations management and an undergraduate degree in human resources

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and although I didn't plan this when I was in college, these two educational experiences

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have come together nicely along with my background
to help me serve as the center operations

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I think NASA has been a place that has given
me a wealth of opportunities.

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\hUm, I came here as a Human Resources Director,
and I learned a lot about federal employment

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because I had never worked for the federal
government before.

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\hUm, and then moving into the senior executive
candidate development program, it's the

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first time that someone had truly invested
an enormous amount in me for me to figure

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out what it is that I wanted to do.

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\hAnd so I think that opportunity in and of
itself is just—spoke volumes about, you

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know, what is available to you here at NASA.

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A number of people have inspired me, and I like to believe that you know I get inspiration

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daily but most often I have to think of my grandmother and my mother who are just fabulous

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role models.

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\hBut here at NASA, I've met just some phenomenal women.

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\hI had the opportunity to meet Katherine Johnson, who is referred to by many people

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as a human computer.

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\hAnd uh, people like Christine Darden and Crystal Johnson—people who've gone into

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the senior executive service before me and have really paved the way.

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\hSo, you know, inspiration is all around me.

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I hope that I am inspiring the next generation of women managers.