Carla serves on World Vision’s National Leadership Council (NLC), a core group of supporters who lead a landmark fundraising effort to expand the organization’s scale and effectiveness. She also serves on the NLC Advisory Council and co-chairs the Child Protection Signature Initiative for World Vision’s Every Last One campaign.

After seeing the hardships of mothers and children and hearing their difficult stories, Carla became compelled to serve as a voice for maternal and child health. She is the devoted mother of six children, including two adopted from China, whose ages cover a span of 20 years. She’s also a proud grandmother. She has traveled many times to meet those served by World Vision, including to Zambia, Swaziland, Kenya, Bangladesh, and Cambodia.

Recognizing how many around the world lack the resources to change their own life stories, Carla is inspired by the genuine connections she’s formed with those affected by poverty, abuse, and injustice. It is her passion to assure others of their value and help connect them with the tools they need to thrive.

Carla and her husband, Dave, live in South Dakota with their two youngest children.