Gail Leonard

"Maybe your life purpose isn't supposed to be a thrill-seeking narrative. What if you're meant to be the sunshine to someone's stormy day? Or the voice of clarity to a frantic mind? You don't have to be a superhero to save the world."

...And save our little corner of the world she has! Although originally from just outside the Philadelphia, PA area, Gail has been an active and giving member of the Outer Banks community since 1998.

A graduate of Marymount College, Gail worked as a Family Services Coordinator with the Head Start program in Montgomery County, Maryland. After relocating to the Outer Banks, Gail started volunteering locally with many programs and outreaches including Meals on Wheels on the beach as well as the Manteo and Wanchese areas; Friends of Youth; Beach Food Pantry; Pathways; Interfaith Community Outreach; and tutoring at Mano al Hermano. In addition, Gail is a founding member of Ruthie's Kitchen and Room in the Inn.

In 2018, Gail was presented with the Governor's Award for Lifetime Achievement in Volunteer Service acknowledging her more than 20 years of volunteer work at the Outer Banks.