Holly B. Wiedemann Founder AU Associates, Inc. Lexington, Kentucky



Holly B. Wiedemann is the founder of AU Associates, Inc. and the founder and president of AU Development. Founded in 1990, AU Associates envisions, creates, and develops multi-family residential and commercial projects in a wide range of large urban and small rural communities, resulting in high quality affordable housing and mixed-use developments across Kentucky and West Virginia. In 2010, Ms. Wiedemann founded AU Construction, and in 2013, Ms. Wiedemann founded AU Management in order to integrate the company vertically and to manage development projects.

Ms. Wiedemann was awarded the 2020 Commerce Lexington Small Business Entrepreneur of the Year, the 2011 National Association of Women Business Owners Business Owner of the Year, and the American Institute of Architects—Central Kentucky Chapter's John Russell Groves Citizens Laureate Award in 2010. This award is to honor an individual and advocate who consistently supports and encourages the values of quality architecture in his or her community through leadership, service, and dedication to a better living environment.

Numerous boards of trustees count her among their members, including the boards of the Gaines Center for the Humanities, Triangle Foundation (Kentucky), Town Branch Park, Lexington Center, and National Housing and Rehabilitation Association. Prior to joining the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland's Cincinnati Branch board of directors, she was also a member of the Bank's Lexington Business Advisory Council. In May 2016, she was inducted into the Junior Achievement of Central Ohio's Business Hall of Fame for exemplary leadership and community involvement.

Ms. Wiedemann holds a BLD (bachelor of landscape design) from the University of Georgia and an MBA from Duke University.