Holly Wiedemann Founder AU Associates, Inc. Lexington, Kentucky

Cleveland Director



Holly 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 2013, Ms. Wiedemann founded AU Management in order to integrate the company vertically and to manage development projects. AU has created over 44 communities and developments that range from the adaptive re-use of historic buildings to new construction multi-family.

Ms. Wiedemann was awarded the 2022 Lifetime Achievement Award by Kentucky Housing Corporation, the 2021 American Institute of Architect's Citizen Laureate Award, the 2020 Small Business Entrepreneur of the Year by Commerce Lexington, the 2020 ASLA Community Vision award and the 2019 International Making Cities Livable award, among others.

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, Shaker Village at Pleasant Hill, and chair for the National Housing and Rehabilitation Association, for which she previously also served as chair. 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.