



## Cincinnati Business Courier unveils 2023 C-Suite Awards



The *Business Courier* congratulates the honorees of our 2023 C-Suite Awards. Now in its ninth year, the program salutes top execs who've leveraged their leadership skills to achieve strong results at businesses and nonprofits across Greater Cincinnati.

This year we recognized 45 finalists, including 16 winners, in eight leadership categories. All were selected by a panel of independent judges. Below you'll find excerpts from the nominations as well as Q&As with the winners. The profiles are intended to not only highlight the business expertise of these leaders but give some personal insights: how they spend their free time, what big goals they've set and who inspires them. We think you'll find many of their answers enlightening and even a little surprising.



**Archie Brown – CEO winner**



First Financial Bank



**Dale Dean – CEO finalist**



DeanHouston Inc.



**Darryl Haley – CEO winner >**  
Southwest Ohio Regional Transit  
Authority/Metro



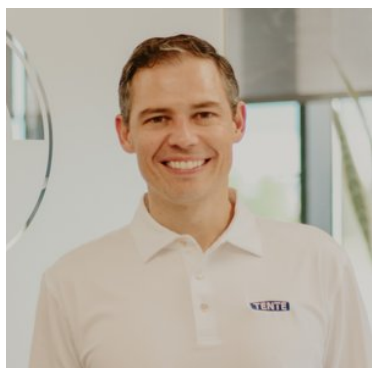
**Dan Hurry – CEO winner >**  
Advantus Health Partners



**Kurt Keeney – CEO finalist >**  
Flagship Communities REIT



**Michael Kroeger – CEO  
finalist >**  
Revision Collective



**Ben Mulling – CEO finalist >**  
Tente Casters Inc.



**Steve Mullinger – CEO finalist  
>**  
Huntington National bak



**Mark Policinski – CEO finalist  
>**  
Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Regional  
Council of Governments



**Monica Posey – CEO finalist  
>**  
Cincinnati State Technical and  
Community College



**Tim Rettig – CEO finalist >**  
Intrust IT



**Beth Robinson – CEO finalist >**  
Uptown Consortium Inc.



**Tom Saelinger – CEO finalist >**  
Republic Bank



**Wonda Winkler – CEO winner >**  
Brighton Center Inc.



**Rick Wurth – CEO finalist >**  
CHNK Behavioral Health



**Cindy Hammerstrom – CFO finalist >**  
St. Vincent de Paul



**Jeff Hoffman – CFO finalist >**  
Kona Ice



**Paul Jenny – CFO winner >**  
Cincinnati Children's Hospital



**Benjamin Mirtes – CFO  
winner >**  
Ingenovis Health



**Laura Nixon – CFO finalist >**  
Lindner Center of Hope



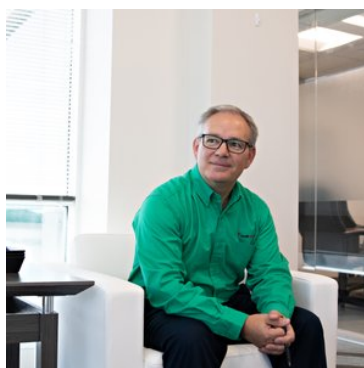
**Chuck Stevens – CFO finalist  
>**  
London Computer Systems



**Karen Hargett – CHRO  
winner >**  
Gravity Diagnostics



**Paaras Parker – CHRO  
winner >**  
Paycor Inc.



**Joe Stegman – CHRO finalist  
>**  
Plus Group



**Jeanne Pope – CHRO finalist  
>**  
city of Hamilton



**Brian Bathe – CIO/CTO  
winner >**  
Mike Albert Fleet Solutions



**Paul Grone – CIO/CTO  
winner >**  
Christ Hospital Health Network



**Michael Hawkins – CIO/CTO  
finalist >**  
LendKey



**Alex Nakonechnyi – CIO/CTO  
finalist >**  
Mount St. Joseph University



**Stephen Gracey – CLO winner  
>**  
TriHealth



**Rick Lauer – CLO finalist >**  
BrightView Health



**Aaron Bley – CMO finalist >**  
Cincinnati Association for the Blind  
and Visually Impaired



**Colin Jeffries – CMO winner  
>**  
BrightView Health



**Nathan Smith – CMO finalist  
>**  
Flagship Communities REIT



**Julie Brazil – COO winner >**  
Gravity Diagnostics



**Megan Lawhon – COO finalist >**  
PLK Communities



**Kate Kennedy – COO winner >**  
ArtsWave



**Lori Mackey – COO winner >**  
University of Cincinnati Physicians



**Kent Oldham – COO finalist >**  
InfoTrust



**Rakesh Rathore – COO finalist >**  
TrueChoicePack



**Brittany Speed – COO finalist >**  
Beech Acres Parenting Center



**John Ravasio – COO finalist >**  
Southwest Ohio Regional Transit  
Authority/Metro



**Kris Cannon – C-Suite finalist**

>  
Prolink



**Kala Gibson – C-Suite winner**

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Fifth Third Bank



**Pam McKie – C-Suite finalist**

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Best Point Education & Behavioral  
Health

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