

Brian A. Hudson Sr.

Business Administration, 1972



Brian Hudson, executive director and CEO of the Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA), may not be well-known by the public, but those who work with him and his agency hold the man in awe. Under his leadership, PHFA has become the Commonwealth's leading provider of capital for affordable homes and apartments and is one of the largest housing agencies in America. The simple formula for success is: Brian Hudson = Affordable Housing.

Hudson's ascension to leadership at PHFA is well deserved – he has worked at the agency for four decades. He began his PHFA career as a staff accountant in 1975. Since then, he has held progressively more responsible posts until he took over the PHFA reins as its chief executive on July 1, 2003. In addition to his HACC degree, Hudson holds a bachelor's degree from the Penn State University and Certified Public Accountant and Certified Treasury Professional designations.

Hudson's list of credits – and responsibilities – in the housing field is long and impressive. He is currently the immediate past president of the National Council of State Housing Agencies, serving as president from 2012-14. He also serves on the boards of the National Council of State Housing Agencies, the Commonwealth Cornerstone Group (chair), the Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh (chair of the Audit Committee), the National Housing Trust and Fannie Mae's Affordable Housing Advisory Council. He was a former member of the Federal Reserve Board's Consumer Advisory Council.

In addition, Hudson has also served his community. He is former chair of the Harrisburg Public Schools Foundation and a member of Impact Harrisburg board of directors. During HACC's 50th anniversary celebration in 2014, PHFA was a sponsor and provided support for several events during the year, including Dr. Ski's Miles of Gratitude, the Frank Dixon Tournament for Scholarships at HACC and the Golden Anniversary Gala.

HACC Impact

"HACC provided a great education at a very reasonable cost. I was an accounting major and the advice and encouragement I received from Mike Furjanic, my professor, and Mr. Ritchey, my counselor, inspired me to become a certified public accountant."