

Alvin J. Nance

Alvin J. Nance is Chief Executive Officer of LHP Development, LLC. Before joining LHP in 2015, Alvin served a 14-year tenure as Executive Director and CEO of Knoxville's Community Development Corporation, the public housing and redevelopment authority for the City of Knoxville, during which he served on the staffs of Mayors Victor Ashe, Bill Haslam, and Madeline Rogero. Prior to joining Knoxville's Community Development Corporation Alvin worked for Valley Fidelity Bank & Trust Company ten years and SunTrust Bank for ten years.

Alvin is active in organizations representing public housing authorities and affordable housing developers in Tennessee and the Southeast. He served two terms on the Board of Directors and was Vice Chairman of the Tennessee Housing Development Agency and served on THDA's Tax Credit Committee. He also served as Chairman of the Tennessee Association of Housing and Redevelopment Authorities' legislative committee and in several leadership roles for the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, including posts on its community revitalization, development, and legislative committees.

Among his many business and community activities, Alvin serves on the boards of Mountain Commerce Bank, Knoxville/Knox County Sports Authority, Knox County Industrial Development Board, Project GRAD, The First Tee of Greater Knoxville, Maryville College Board of Trustee, Leadership Knoxville, Covenant Health Hospital, Federal Home Loan Bank of Cincinnati, Metropolitan YMCA Board, Emerald Charter School, and Great Smoky Mountain Boys Scouts of America. He earned a Bachelor's degree in Business Management from Maryville College 1979.

Alvin was born and reared in Chattanooga and is remembered for being a standout running back and an excellent student at Maryville College. Following graduation from college he spent several years in banking in leadership roles. The years served in the banking industry provided an excellent launching pad for his next leadership role - Executive Director of Knoxville's Community Development Corporation. KCDC is the public housing authority for Knoxville and Knox County and is recognized by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development as a high-performing public housing authority. The organization manages and rents more than 3,700 units across more than 20 properties and manages the application process and distribution of 4,000 Section 8 vouchers. Some the most significant public housing growth and development occurred during his tenure, such that peers in the housing industry referred to him as the "Man with the Golden Touch" in public housing. Given his expertise in finance, bond markets, land use planning, public & private development and construction, Alvin's leadership stature and influence grew astronomically throughout the Knoxville community. His "Golden Touch" in housing development and practical solutions to development issues transformed him into serious consideration as a candidate for the Office of Mayor of the City of Knoxville in 2011. Although Alvin seriously considered, yet eschewed pursuing elected office, his wisdom, knowledge and expertise is routinely requested by U. S. Senators and Representatives from the State of Tennessee; Governors from both political parties; and Mayors and business leaders from across the State. It is difficult to think of anyone who has positively impacted the quality of public housing; community development; and quality of life in Knoxville more than Alvin Nance. He and his wife Jackie have raised two children, both of whom were stellar scholarship athletes: son A.J. a standout linebacker for the University of Kentucky football team and Jessica an outstanding softball player for the University of Kentucky Lady Wildcats. The Beta Theta Boulè Foundation is honored to present the 2023 Fatherhood Excellence Award to Alvin J. Nance.

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