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MARY WRIGHT



Mary is the President of the Wisconsin Housing Preservation Corp. And is responsible for the leadership and management of a \$500M asset-size company. WHPC's primary business is to acquire, develop and preserve affordable rental housing for lower income residents. WHPC maintains an AA- rating from Standard & Poor's and owns 144 properties with over 8,300 units located throughout the State of Wisconsin.

Prior to joining WHPC, Mary was a Vice President/Senior Relationship Manager in Commercial Banking for Wells Fargo Bank. She was responsible for providing financial solutions for local and global companies, strategic client relationship management, and growing the bank's regional Wisconsin-based market share.

Mary served as the Director of Multifamily Lending at the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA), overseeing a staff of 52 professionals with responsibility for lending, tax credit allocation, credit risk management, asset management, and contract management for a \$3.2B financial services entity. This was her second time returning to WHEDA where she worked in various positions in Asset Management and Multifamily Development.

Mary spent 10 years as Vice President of Commercial Lending at Johnson Bank, Madison, Wisconsin. Her responsibilities included business development, managing a \$200M loan portfolio and a \$45M bond portfolio, building the bank's reputation in targeted markets, providing business finance solutions to clients, and cross selling other lines of business. Mary was instrumental as a corporate team member for the New Markets Tax Credit (NMTC) Program which included responsibility for creating a new corporation called Johnson Community Development Corporation, working on the submission of five applications to the U.S. Department of the Treasury and achieving four successful NMTC awards totaling \$182M.

Mary attended the Southern Methodist University Graduate School of Banking Commercial Lending School and received a BS in Business Administration/Finance from the University of Wisconsin La Crosse. Mary serves on numerous boards with a special interest in health care organizations. She enjoys volleyball, camping, and biking with her husband, Craig, and their two sons.