John Branam

Vice President, Fifth Third CDC

Type of LIHTC Investor: CRA
Portfolio Size: Large: $2 Billion to $9 Billion
Geographic Footprint: 11 states MI, IL, OH, IN, PA, WV, NC, SC, TN, GA, FL, and AL

Role/Responsibilities: I lead the underwriting, portfolio management, and asset management for equity and debt

Industry Experience: I have worked in real estate for over 32 years and have spent the last 11 in the LIHTC, NMTC, HTC, CDFI space.

Years of AHIC Membership: 4 years

AHIC Experience: 4 years. Co-Chair of the Membership Committee

Why Would You Like to Serve? The work this industry does is vital to improving the lives of so many. I grew up in poverty and what helped me rise out of that was always having a steady place to live. Any way that I can contribute to helping someone have a steady and safe place to call home I will offer my assistance and experience.

What Initiatives/Priorities Should AHIC Focus On? AHIC should continue to work on providing guidance for PSH for the industry, I know we are close on this topic. Are there ways we can support work force housing and the 'missing middle.'

Other Non-Profit Board Experience: I have served on the board of a non-profit for 15 years, In that time I spent two years as the board's VP and two years as its President. I currently serve as an at large board member and head the scholarship committee and the finance committee.