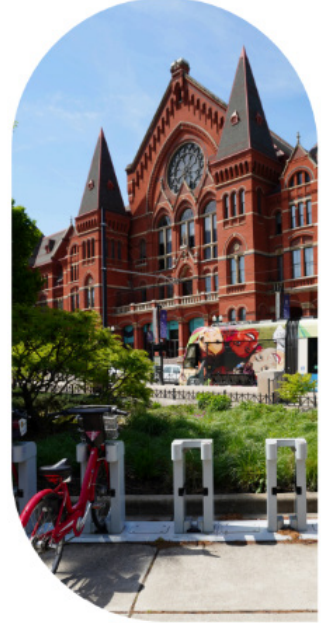


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# PROFESSIONAL JURY PANEL

There are three jury panels for the competition, each of which will choose a winner for the three typologies. This award structure provides the equally necessary professional expertise and resident perspective to facilitate a balanced evaluation that is reflective of all stakeholders in the broader BuildReady initiative. The three panels enable a higher level of community engagement in the design competition, in which each group can clearly express their unique preferences and priorities outside of City influence, while the online voting widens the reach and pool of participants in the process.

The **professional jury panel** consists of people who have real-world experience in the realm of architecture, development, and policy. These professionals bring deep knowledge of what should be considered when evaluating housing designs to make them contextual, attainable, and scalable.

## PROFESSIONAL JURY PANELISTS

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### **Andre Brumfield, AIA**

Design Director and Principal at Gensler.

Full bio coming soon.

### **Bhakti Bania, LEED AP**

Bhakti is the CEO of BBCO, a woman-owned architecture and interior design firm based in Columbus, Ohio. She brings more than 25 years of experience in architecture, housing and planning, with expertise in evaluating projects for design quality, functionality, feasibility, and long-term community value.

She is honored to serve on the City of Cincinnati BuildReady Design Competition Jury Panel because she is passionate about advancing thoughtful, impactful design and supporting initiatives that strengthen communities through quality development for housing.



### **Beth Johnson**



Beth is the Executive Director of Cincinnati Preservation. They are interested in serving as a judge because they are passionate about ensuring new development strengthens Cincinnati's historic neighborhoods by complementing their architecture, history, and unique character.

As a trained historic preservationist, urban planner, and architectural historian, Beth has reviewed thousands of development proposals for compatibility with their historic and architectural context. Their expertise in context, scale, massing, materials, and neighborhood character enables them to evaluate how well new designs enhance and respect the communities in which they are built.

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### Casey Terry, AICP



Casey is the Research Manager at Greater Ohio Policy Center (GOPC), where she leads research initiatives focused on legacy city revitalization and housing development. An AICP-certified urban planner and board member of CNU Midwest, she brings expertise in housing policy, planning, and community development.

Casey was part of the team that developed Housing Ohio: Tools for Development, a guidebook featuring statewide building plans and guidance for local pre-approval programs. Through GOPC's work supporting Ohio communities implementing similar initiatives, she brings a valuable statewide perspective and insights from emerging best practices across Ohio.

### Felicia Bell

Felicia is an Associate Real Estate Broker with 3CRE Residential Advisors, a real estate investor, and President of the Greater Cincinnati Realtist Association. After more than 25 years in Corporate America, including 18 years at Procter & Gamble in Human Resources and Strategic Sourcing, they bring extensive business and leadership experience to their work.

Felicia is honored to serve as a juror for the BuildReady Initiative, supporting Cincinnati's efforts to empower emerging developers, reduce barriers to entry, and expand opportunities for small and minority developers to create quality housing. Their diverse professional background provides a well-rounded perspective in evaluating proposals and advancing the initiative's goals.



### Geoff Milz, AICP | LEED AP



Geoff is Vice President of the Midwest Region for Pennrose, where he leads affordable housing development projects from concept through construction and occupancy. Trained in urban planning and economic development, he brings extensive experience in real estate development, collaboration, and stakeholder engagement.

Geoff serves in leadership roles with several professional organizations, including the Ohio Chapter of the American Planning Association and the Urban Land Institute Cincinnati District Council. He is passionate about advancing innovative projects that create stronger, more vibrant communities.

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### **Jody Boelhauf, AIA**

Jody is an architect and founder of the Lexington, Kentucky-based firm Elevate Collaborative, PLLC. After 25 years of designing large-scale institutional and commercial projects, Lexington's well-documented need for affordable housing inspired Jody to shift his focus toward the design and incremental development of small-scale residential and mixed-use projects.

He is passionate about rebuilding walkable, sustainable neighborhoods and brings a regional perspective to the BuildReady jury panel, combining extensive design experience with a strong commitment to housing affordability and community development.

### **Maura Black**

Maura is a Realtor with more than 20 years of residential real estate experience, including new construction. She currently serves as Chair of the Advocacy Committee for the Realtor Alliance of Greater Cincinnati and brings extensive knowledge of housing, development, and the real estate market.

As the daughter of a family-owned construction and development company, Maura understands the importance of efficient permitting and development processes. Her experience provides a valuable perspective on housing production, project delivery, and expanding opportunities for new residential development.



### **Stephanie Pilat, PhD**

Stephanie is Dean of the University of Cincinnati's College of Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning. An architectural historian by training, she wrote her first book on the postwar reconstruction of Italy, which examined how housing design expresses the values and culture of a community.

She is excited to serve as a judge to help ensure Cincinnati builds well-designed housing that will last for centuries and positively contribute to the city's incredible urban environment.