



We are immensely proud to celebrate our Senior Executive Vice President of Who's Who In Black, Ernie L. Sullivan, who was recently selected to be honored by the Central Ohio Association of Fundraising Professionals. Ernie was selected and will be awarded the 2020 *Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser* for Central Ohio.

Ernie has intentionally aligned himself to a handful of successful nonprofits to ensure those marginalized in our community are not forgotten. He has served on the Boards of Directions for Youth & Families, St. Vincent Family Center, St. Stephen's Community House, Women2Women, A Kid Again and he is also a supporter of **BOLD Black**-male **O**rientation to **L**eadership **D**evelopment program run by Leadership At Its Best. His leadership in nonprofits in Central Ohio fundraising campaigns has resulted in millions of dollars raised for many organizations.

"The year has been challenging for everyone and right now, especially as a social profession, even if virtually many fundraisers could use something interactive to celebrate our community, donors, volunteers, and fellow AFP members," said Jeff Redfield President, AFP Central Ohio. "Let us not forget the tremendous amounts of good things happening in our community before and during this pandemic. Some extraordinary giving continues making a meaningful impact when needed most. There is no time like the present to celebrate."

The 2020 NPD celebration will also feature a unique way to recognize the NPD honorees and others who are making a difference in our nonprofit community every day. For the first time, NPD will offer a way to give tribute to those front line workers, volunteers, and others through our NPD Tribute Page. The month-long virtual celebration will culminate on Tuesday, November 24, 2020, where attendees will be able to tune in live to watch NBC 4's Matt Barnes and community leaders talk about the important role philanthropy plays in our community.

Ernie is a true supporter of programs and causes that improves the quality of life of people. He believes in giving back, not only of his time, but his financial resources and he influences many others to do the same. "The Who's Who In Black Team is so very proud of Ernie and the great works that he does in Columbus, Ohio and other communities outside of Columbus" said Dr. Carter D. Womack, Chief Operating Officer, Who's Who In Black.