



## **Michael J. Tavlin Leadership Award**

The Michael J. Tavlin Leadership Award was established in 2013 to honor Mike Tavlin's community service and to enable nonprofit organizations to build the capacity of their boards.

Mike began serving CHE as a member of the Blue Ribbon Task Force appointed by then-Mayor Mike Johanns to make recommendations about the use of the proceeds from the City of Lincoln's sale of Lincoln General Hospital. Mike was instrumental in crafting the organization's bylaws, investment policies and charter amendments. He served on the first Board of Trustees for six years and attended countless Committee and Board meetings. At the end of his term-limited six years, he remained active with CHE as a non-voting member of the Investment and Finance Committee. In 2007, he returned to the Board of Trustees for an additional six-year term, bringing his total years of service to 15, the last as Chair of the Board.

To ensure that Mike's legacy of service continues, the Michael J. Tavlin Leadership Award is given annually to an individual board member who has made "exceptional and visionary commitment to board and community service." Non-profit staff or board members can submit one or more nominations for this award. Nominees should have implemented or been part of one or more of the following:

- Exceptional governance practices.
- Strong fiduciary and/or fundraising guidance.
- Bold leadership through a challenging transition.
- Transformative and/or innovative practices.
- Diverse board membership.

The nomination form is available for download on the CHE website here:

[www.chelincn.org/about-us/community-awards/tavlin-award.html](http://www.chelincn.org/about-us/community-awards/tavlin-award.html).

The recipient is recognized at the CHE Annual Meeting and a stipend of \$1000 is given to the agency of their choice to be used for board training and education.

### **Past honorees**

2016	Eric Dinger, nominated by Matt Talbot Kitchen and Outreach
2015	Marvin Almy, nominated by the Good Neighbor Community Center
2014	Staci Bell, nominated by El Centro de las Américas
2013	Michael J. Tavlin, nominated by the Community Health Endowment of Lincoln