



Michael J. Tavlin Leadership Award

The Michael J. Tavlin Leadership Award was established in 2013 to honor Mike Tavlin and his service to the Community Health Endowment and many non-profit organizations in the community.

Mike began serving CHE even before it was created as a member of the Blue Ribbon Task Force appointed by then-Mayor Mike Johanns to recommend what to do with proceeds from the sale of Lincoln General Hospital by the City of Lincoln. Mike was instrumental in crafting the organization's bylaws, investment policies, and charter amendments and served on the first Board of Trustees for six years, attending countless Committee meetings 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 years, the last one as Chair of the Board. Under his leadership, CHE spearheaded the revision of the Nebraska State Constitution to allow a broader diversity of our investments, planted health in the heart of our community with the construction of the Active Living Center, and pursued cultural competency training for Trustees and staff.

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 provided "exceptional and visionary commitment to board and community service." Non-profit staff or Board members will be asked to nominate a Board member. The recipient will be recognized at the CHE Annual Meeting and a stipend of \$1000 will be given to the agency of their choice to be used for board training and education.

Past honorees

2013	Michael J. Tavlin, nominated by the Community Health Endowment of Lincoln
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