



## **Catherine A. Cawthon**

*President, Fifth Third Community Development Corporation*

Catherine A. Cawthon is President of Fifth Third Community Development Corporation (CDC) headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. The Fifth Third CDC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Fifth Third Bancorp, was created to invest in low-income housing, historic and new market tax credit projects that support community revitalization and the creation of affordable housing. The CDC invests primarily in projects within Fifth Third Bank's assessment areas, which are located in Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Illinois, Georgia, Florida, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee, West Virginia and Pennsylvania. Since its inception, Fifth Third CDC has invested over \$2 billion in more than 450 projects within their assessment areas. Ms. Cawthon is responsible for the complete investment process from underwriting and closing of the transaction through the asset management and disposition of the investments.

Ms. Cawthon has served on various boards throughout Indiana and Ohio including United Way, Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC) and the Ohio Community Development Finance Fund. Currently, Ms. Cawthon serves on the national board of governors of the Affordable Housing Investor Council, Ohio Housing Finance Agency, Ohio Housing Council, Council for Rural Housing in Ohio's Advisory Board and the Joint Columbus and Franklin County Housing Advisory Board.

Ms. Cawthon graduated from Illinois State University and earned an MBA from Indiana Wesleyan University. She currently resides with her family in Powell Ohio.