

DR. WESLEY L. SCOTT EDUCATION AWARD



DANAE D. DAVIS

Retired Executive Director, Milwaukee Succeeds

Danae D. Davis is the recipient of the Dr. Wesley L. Scott Education Award. It is named in honor of one of the longest-serving CEOs in GMUL history, who focused Urban League efforts on programs reaching and serving young people.

Davis joined Greater Milwaukee Foundation in May 2015 and served as executive director of Milwaukee Succeeds until her recent retirement. Milwaukee Succeeds is a citywide educational partnership the Foundation helped create that is dedicated to ensuring the success of every child in every school in Milwaukee, cradle-to-career.

Davis previously spent nine years as CEO of Pearls For Teen Girls, a Milwaukee-based nonprofit using a nationally recognized model of girl empowerment and leadership development for adolescent girls 10-19 years of age.

Her career also has included leadership positions in both corporate and government sectors including Miller Brewing Company, Kraft Foods, and the city of Milwaukee. She received her B.S. degree in political science from the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh and a Juris Doctorate from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Davis has served on the National StriveTogether board and local Kings Academy Christian School and Radio Milwaukee HYFIN advisory boards. She formerly served on numerous civic and community boards of directors, including the University of Wisconsin System Board of Regents.