Julie A. Goodman

An Indianapolis native, Julie joined the Arts Council of Indianapolis (ACI) as its fourth President and CEO on March 4, 2019. Reporting to the Board of Directors, she is responsible for the implementation of ACI's strategic plan, organizational administration, and programming priorities including grants and fellowships, services and support for artists and arts organizations, the city's public art program, the Indianapolis Artsgarden, Gallery 924, the Indy Arts Guide, and *Any Given Child* in partnership with Indianapolis Public Schools. As president and CEO, Julie specifically leads stakeholder engagement, advocacy, and resource development required to advance ACI's mission of fostering meaningful engagement in the arts by nurturing a culture where artists and arts organizations thrive.

Most recently, Julie served as Senior Vice President of Marketing and Communications for Strada Education Network, a national social impact organization headquartered in Indianapolis dedicated to strengthening America's pathways between education and employment.

Prior to moving to Indianapolis in 2017 to assume responsibilities with Strada, Julie spent more than 25 years advocating for the arts through staff and board leadership roles with numerous Cincinnati organizations including Cincinnati Opera, ArtWorks (responsible for the city's public art program), MUSE Women's Choir, Madcap Puppets, the Chamber Music Society, and Linton Music Series. She also served as an arts organization liaison and representative for the region's arts agency, ArtsWave.

Julie began her career consulting for nonprofit and national consumer brand clients with a large, regional public relations firm. She led marketing for Downtown Cincinnati Inc. (similar to Downtown Indy, Inc.), and managed corporate communications for Luxottica North America where she was promoted to lead global communications and fundraising for its OneSight foundation (a vision care nonprofit). She is a graduate of the Cincinnati USA Chamber's "Leadership Cincinnati" program, and a recipient of the Cincinnati Business Courier's "40 Under 40" award.

Julie grew up in Indianapolis where her parents served as elementary school educators and administrators. She graduated from Carmel High School and earned a bachelor's degree from Miami University with a major in communications and a minor in music (voice and piano). She lives in Zionsville with her husband Ed and their two children.