

Maureen Donohue Krauss

President and CEO



Maureen Donohue Krauss is President and CEO of the Detroit Regional Partnership (DRP), a leading economic development nonprofit serving the 11-county Detroit Region. The organization serves as the single point of contact for business, marketing the Region to out-of-state and international companies. Since 2020, the DRP has secured nearly 100 projects that have resulted in an estimated \$7.2 billion in investment and construction output and created or supported more than 28,000 jobs in the Region. Under Krauss' leadership, the DRP was one of only 21 regions in the country that won the U.S. Economic Development Administration's Build Back Better Regional Challenge, earning a \$52.2 million grant to support the Global Epicenter of Mobility initiative.

Krauss is an accomplished economic development officer with more than 30 years of leadership in economic development, non-profit and government. She has extensive experience in guiding international companies to successful location decisions and has participated in more than 60 trade missions.

Prior to her role at the DRP, Krauss was elected as the first chief economic development officer at the Indy Chamber where she managed Accelerate Indy, a regional economic development plan for a nine-county region with 2.3 million people. She also oversaw Indianapolis' Amazon HQ2 bid, which was a finalist in the national competition. Krauss served as vice president of economic development and business attraction at the Detroit Regional Chamber and was responsible for strategy, operations, and projects for its business attraction program. She also worked for the Oakland County Department of Economic Development and Community Affairs, an award-winning county agency where she led a team of over 100 staff, and also traveled extensively overseas on business attraction missions.

PAST EXPERIENCE AND EDUCATION

- Chief Economic Development Officer, Indy Chamber
- Vice President of Economic Development and Business Attraction, Detroit Regional Chamber
- Director of Economic Development and Community Affairs, Oakland County
- Bachelor's degree in political science, Albion College
- Master's degree in public policy, University of Michigan

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Board Member, International Economic Development Council
- Board Member, MICHauto
- Crain's Detroit Business Notable Women in Nonprofits (2022)
- Regional Ambassador Award, Southeast Council of Governments (2022)
- Medalist of the Year, Michigan Economic Developers Association (2021)
- Mike Conboy Professional Development Award, Michigan Economic Developers Association
- Prior President and Board Member, Michigan Economic Developers Association
- Arizona Economic Developer of the Year Award
- Board Member, Swedish American Chamber of Commerce of Detroit