

Rick Lewis
President & CEO
Greater Brandon Chamber
of Commerce



As President/CEO, Rick brings nearly 30 years of management and leadership experience to the Greater Brandon Chamber of Commerce. Rick has a long history of service to the community through non-profit leadership and volunteerism. He is currently serving as a member of the Rays 100 committee of the Tampa Bay Rays 2020, which seeks to bring the Rays to Hillsborough County; and on an advisory committee for Hillsborough County School District Superintendent, Jeff Eakins. Rick was Chairman of the Board for the Campo Family YMCA (2016), a member of the Greater Brandon Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors (2016-2017), Chairman for the Leadership Brandon program (2017), Co-chair of the Leadership Brandon program (2016), a member of the Pastoral Advisory Committee for Nativity Catholic Church (2012-2016) and a member of the Diocesan Catholic Committee for Scouting (2012-2017). He is also serving his sixth year as Chairman of Boy Scout Troop 89.

Rick has served our community as the programming chairman for the Live United Network of the United Way Tampa Bay (Suncoast) and as vice chairman of the American Marketing Association, Tampa Bay. Rick has served as president of the South Brandon/Valrico Christian Business Connection chapter and was chairman of the Campo Family YMCA Corks & Forks annual gala 4 times. Previously, he served on the core leadership team for the That Man is You men's program at Nativity Catholic Church and was a core leadership member of the Brothers in Christ ministry. Rick served on a local board of directors for the American Heart Association (AHA) for nine years and was its president for three years. While serving as the AHA President, Rick successfully lobbied Tallahassee to fund biomedical research and youth tobacco control programs; and for adoption of Amendment 6 to the Florida Constitution. In 2000, Rick served as Chairman of the Board for the Greater Boynton Beach Chamber of Commerce. In 2001, Rick helped lead a delegation to China and successfully consummated a sister city relationship between the cities of Boynton Beach, Florida and Qufu, China. In 2002, Rick joined the Board of Directors for the Schoolhouse Children's Museum.

Rick's community service and commitment to volunteerism has been profiled in articles written in the Tampa Bay Times, Tampa Bay Business Journal, the Palm Beach Post and the Sun-Sentinel newspapers. Among other honors, he received the 2016 St. George Medal and 2015 Bronze Pelican Medals for service to the Boy Scouts of America on behalf of the Roman Catholic Diocese of St. Petersburg; the 2014 Campo Leadership Award for service to the Campo Family YMCA; and the 2001 Ann Barrett Award for Community Service. Rick is most grateful for the 5 times that Eagle Scouts have recognized him with their Eagle Scout Mentor Pin.

Prior to his career in non-profit leadership, Rick served as a senior leader in the financial services industry for 22 years. He served as a senior manager of a top 5 national bank for 13 years and operated a financial services practice for 9 years.

Personally, Rick has been with his wife, Edie, for 30 years and has two children: Jake, 18, who attends Jesuit High School where he plays varsity football; and Dylan, 15, who also attends Jesuit. Both boys earned their Black Belts in Mixed Martial Arts. Jake followed in his dad's footsteps by earning his Eagle Rank in the Boy Scouts of America. Dylan plans to earn his Eagle Rank later in 2018.