

## **Antonio Martinez, Jr.**

### **BIO**

Antonio Martinez, Jr. is president and CEO of the Oak Park-River Forest Community Foundation. As president and CEO, Martinez leads and directs the advancement and fulfillment of the mission of the Community Foundation. He is responsible for the achievement of the operational and strategic goals, including fund and donor development, fiscal management, grants and programming, board relations, staff oversight, community relations and management.

Before joining the Oak Park-River Forest Community Foundation, Martinez served as director of development for The Chicago Community Trust, Chicago's community foundation, where he was instrumental in increasing the organizations assets by \$1.6 billion.

Martinez also worked for the American Bar Association, Museum of Science and Industry and the Chicago Cubs. Martinez serves on the board of the Association of Fundraising Professionals – Chicago Chapter, the Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement, The Resurrection Project and Future Leaders of Chicago. Martinez is founder and chair of LEARN West Rogers Park, a collaboration of nonprofits, community leaders, and business leaders focused on building solutions to address the needs of Chicago's West Rogers Park neighborhood.

A graduate of Columbia College, Martinez holds a bachelor's degree in Marketing Communications. He has served on the Bateman Elementary Local School Council in Chicago, and has volunteered on aldermanic and congressional campaigns. Martinez is a 2017 Edgar Fellow, 2014 Leadership Greater Chicago Fellow, a 2012 Fellow of Great Cities Institute at University of Illinois Chicago, and a 2008 graduate of Metropolitan Leadership Institute. In 2017, Martinez received recognition for his work in nonprofits by *Negocios Now* in their annual Who's Who in Chicago Hispanic Power magazine edition.