

Andrea Levere



Andrea Levere is president of CFED (Corporation for Enterprise Development) and drives the pursuit of its mission to build assets and expand economic opportunity for low-income people and disadvantaged communities. Celebrating its 30th anniversary, CFED promotes the idea that it is possible and profitable—within a generation—to provide every American, including every child at birth, the opportunity and resources to pursue higher education, start a business, buy a home and save for the future.

Through Ms. Levere’s vision and leadership, CFED designs and operates major national initiatives that aim to expand matched savings for children and youth, bring self-employed entrepreneurs into the financial mainstream and turn manufactured housing into an appreciating asset.

CFED operates a comprehensive public policy program to build and protect assets at the local, state and federal levels, and produces the nationally recognized *Assets and Opportunity Scorecard*. Last year, CFED launched *innovation@cfed*, an initiative which focuses on accelerating the development of next generation strategies to expand economic opportunity.

CFED has enjoyed significant growth under Ms. Levere’s guidance, expanding to a staff of 50 with offices in Washington, DC, Durham, NC and San Francisco, CA. Ms. Levere has added resources and focus to CFED’s policy and communications efforts, leading to a number of policy victories in state legislatures and growing attention to the importance of asset building in the national media.

Ms. Levere has served as the Chair of the Board of the Ms. Foundation for Women and is currently the chair of ROC USA (Resident Owned Communities USA), a national social venture that converts manufactured home parks into resident owned cooperatives. She was recently appointed to Bank of America’s National Consumer Advisory Council. She holds a bachelor’s degree from Brown University and an MBA from Yale University. In 2001, she received the Alumni Recognition Award from the Yale School of Management and in 2008 was named to the inaugural class of its Donaldson Fellows Program, which recognizes alumni who help educate business and society leaders.